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**REPORT OF THE AWARD COMMITTEE OF THE
PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1995**

The PAHO Award for Administration is given annually to an outstanding professional in the health field—in its broadest sense—to stimulate excellence and leadership in the area of health administration and management.

As in previous years, the Award Committee, a subcommittee of the Executive Committee of PAHO, will meet during the 116th Meeting of the Executive Committee to determine the recipient of the 1995 Award. The list of previous recipients is also presented in this document.

Introduction

At its 116th Meeting, the Executive Committee will receive a report from the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration. The PAHO Award for Administration dates back to 1969, when the Executive Committee of PAHO, at its 61st Meeting, accepted a donation from Dr. Stuart Portner, former Chief of Administration of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, to institute an annual award for the purpose of contributing to the improvement of health administrative systems. The Award, currently amounting to US\$5,000, is granted according to procedures and guidelines approved by the Pan American Sanitary Conference and the Directing Council of PAHO.

The Award Committee will be made up of representatives from three Member Governments currently on the Executive Committee (Belize, Canada, and Uruguay), who will meet during the Executive Committee to select the winner from among the candidates proposed by governments. The Award will be presented to the winner at a ceremony that will take place during the XXXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council in September 1995.

Candidates for the 1995 PAHO Award in Administration

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>
Mr. Arthur Archer	Barbados
Dr. Hipolito Vergara Muñoz	Chile
Dr. Alex Patricio Arroyo Meneses	Chile
Dr. Cosme Ordóñez Carceller	Cuba
Mr. Luis Rey Zazueta Gárate	Mexico
Dr. Francisco Hernández Torres	Mexico
Dr. Ricaurte Salom Gil	Venezuela
Dr. Jaime Ramírez Pérez	Venezuela
Prof. Miguel Henning Valdez	Venezuela
Dr. Secundino Urbina	Venezuela

Award Recipients in Previous Years

Previous recipients of the PAHO Award in Administration have been:

- 1994 *Dr. Zilda Arns Neumann (Brazil)*. Director of the Division of Maternal and Child Health, Ministry of Health. For her outstanding work in the administration of programs in a variety of public health fields, particularly maternal and child health, in both nongovernmental and governmental organizations and at state and national levels.

- 1993 *Dr. Georgina Velásquez Díaz (Mexico)*. General Coordinator of the Solidarity Program of the Mexican Institute of Social Security. For her contribution to the organization and consolidation of the administrative infrastructure and health services of the Solidarity Program.
- 1992 *Dr. Desmond O. N. McIntyre (Dominica)*. Former Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of Health and Social Security. For his outstanding work in the area of health administration.
- 1991 *Prof. Oscar Mateo de Acosta Fernández (Cuba)*. Director, National Institute of Endocrinology, and Professor of Internal Medicine, University of Havana. For his outstanding contributions in health research, teaching, and administration, particularly in the field of endocrinology.
- 1990 *Dr. Pedro Alejandro de Armas H. (Venezuela)*. Director, School of Medicine, Francisco de Miranda University, Coro, State of Falcón. For his outstanding work in the area of health administration.
- 1989 *Dr. David Bersch Escobar (Colombia)*. Scientific Director of the Foundation for the Development of Health Education. For his outstanding work in research, teaching, and management in the area of health administration.
- 1988 *Dr. Guido Miranda Gutiérrez (Costa Rica)*. Executive President of the Costa Rican Social Security Fund. For his outstanding contribution to administration and teaching in the areas of health and social security.
- 1987 *Dr. John E. F. Hastings (Canada)*. Professor of Health Administration, Division of Community Health, University of Toronto. For his outstanding services and publications in the public health field, especially in administration and research.
- 1985 *Dr. Elizabeth Quamina (Trinidad and Tobago)*. Chief Medical Officer, Ministry of Health and Environment. For her outstanding work in health planning, administration, and human resources development.
- 1984 *Dr. Manuel Barquín (Mexico)*. Professor, School of Medicine, National Autonomus University. For his exceptional contribution to the improvement of the health of the people of Mexico and other countries of Latin America, as well as for his academic achievements in the areas of teaching and research.
- 1983 *Dr. Arnaldo Tejeiro Fernández (Cuba)*. Adviser, National Bureau of Statistics. For his contributions and the positive social repercussions of his work as a member of the National Health System of Cuba.

- 1982 *Dr. Julio César Mérida de León (Guatemala)*. Chief, Tuberculosis Division, Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare. For his work in developing and executing programs for the prevention and control of communicable diseases, and for his influence in strengthening and modernizing comprehensive health services administration.
- 1981 *Dr. Frederick Burns Roth (Canada)*. Professor of Health Administration, University of Toronto. President and Chairman of the Board, Home Care Program for Metropolitan Toronto. For his work in improving the practice and teaching of health care administration, both nationally and internationally.
- 1980 *Dr. Jair de Oliveira Soares (Brazil)*. Minister of Social Security in the Federal Government. For his contribution to the organization and management of health sector services in his country, at both the regional and the national levels.
- 1978 *Dr. Oswaldo Egas Cevallos (Ecuador)*. General Director for Health Planning, Ministry of Public Health. For his work in the administration of health services in his country.
- 1977 *Dr. Roberto Pereda Chávez (Cuba) (posthumous)*. Director of the Department of International Relations, Ministry of Public Health. For the exceedingly salutary effects of his work on the administration and consolidation of the national health system of his country.
- 1976 *Dr. Ernani Guilherme Fernandes da Motta (Brazil)*. Superintendent of the Health Campaigns Superintendency, Ministry of Health. For his work in administrative management, especially in relation to the meningitis vaccination campaign in his country.
- 1975 *Mr. Dennis Sanchez Acuna (Costa Rica)*. Planning expert in the Sectoral Unit of the Ministry of Health. For his outstanding contribution in drawing up the National Health Program for 1975-1978, particularly the methods used to improve the development of administrative resources.
- 1973 *Mr. Guillermo Istúriz (Venezuela)*. Founder of the hospital administration program and of the courses in this discipline at the School of Public Health. For work in the field of hospital management which is regarded as the basis for the doctrine and practice in this field and as having shaped the modern approach to hospital management in his country.

1972 *Dr. Eduardo Zapata Salazar (Peru)*. Director of Personnel, Ministry of Health. For his work on the preparation and implementation of a model of a personnel administration system for the health sector in his country.

On the recommendation of the Award Committee, the Award was declared void in 1971, 1974, 1979, and 1986, because the nominations did not meet the approved criteria or because only one nomination had been submitted.

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PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1995

Report of the Award Committee

The Award Committee for the PAHO Award in Administration, 1995, was comprised of Mr. Ruben Campos (Belize), Dr. Guy Nantel (Canada), and Dr. Alejandro Gherardi (Uruguay).

The Committee met on 27 June 1995 under the chairmanship of Dr. Gherardi and examined the information on the candidates nominated by Member Governments, namely:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Country</i>
Mr. Arthur Archer	Barbados
Dr. Hipólito Vergara Muñoz	Chile
Dr. Alex Patricio Arroyo Meneses	Chile
Dr. Cosme Ordóñez Carceller	Cuba
Mr. Luis Rey Zazueta Gárate	Mexico
Dr. Ricaurte Salom Gil	Venezuela
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The Committee unanimously decided to grant the Award to Dr. Hipólito Vergara Muñoz of Chile, for his pioneering work in community medicine and primary health care, particularly in rural areas.

The Award Committee proposes that the Executive Committee adopt the following resolution:

Proposed Resolution

THE 116th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration, 1995 (Document CE116/8, Add. I); and

Bearing in mind the provisions of the Procedure and Guidelines for conferring the PAHO Award for Administration as approved by the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference (1970) and amended by the XXIV Pan American Sanitary Conference (1994),

RESOLVES:

1. To note the decision of the Award Committee to confer the PAHO Award for Administration, 1995 on Dr. Hipólito Vergara Muñoz of Chile, for his pioneering work in the field of community medicine and primary health care, particularly in rural areas.
2. To transmit the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration, 1995 (Document CE116/8, Add. I) to the XXXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council.