

## Distinguished Achievement

### *Description*

This award is the highest accolade presented by AUCD and is given to individuals or organizations making distinguished *lifetime* contributions to people with developmental disabilities and their families. The two-page nomination must include a description of the candidate's accomplishments in research, education, and service and a biographical sketch of the individual or organization candidate. Information relevant to the community, scientific, educational, organizational, or political environment in which the candidate's accomplishments were made may be included in the narrative to support the nomination.

### *Frequency of Award*

currently awarded as warranted (awarded annually 1986-1997)  
nominations by general membership

### *Past Recipients*

1986 Gunnar and Rosemary Dybwad  
1987 1987 Richard Schiefelbusch  
1988 Elizabeth Boggs  
1989 Eunice Kennedy Shriver and the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation  
1990 Robert Cooke  
1991 Vince Hutchins  
1992 Justin Dart  
1993 The Kennedy Family  
1994 Bob Stempfel and Allen C. Crocker  
1995 Alfred Healy and Hugo W. Moser  
1996 Henry J. Schroeder and Jack Rubinstein  
1997 Arthur Lesser  
2000 Marvin G. Fifield, EdD  
2001 Steve Shroeder  
2005 Herb Cohen, MD (NY)  
2006 Jack H. Rubinstein, MD (OH)

## Outstanding Achievement

### *Description*

The Outstanding Achievement Award recognizes a UCEDD, LEND, or DDRC executive, faculty or staff member who has demonstrated excellence in three major areas of the field -- teaching, scholarship, and service to the wider community. Nominations must include a one-page statement highlighting the nominee's contributions in two or more of the following:

- > *Teaching*. The nominee should have a demonstrated record of outstanding teaching demonstrated by teaching evaluations from students or colleagues. If the individual has received formal recognition for teaching excellence, please note the award title, source, and the year awarded.
- > *Scholarship and Research*. The nominee should have a record of research and/or publications in the disabilities field which have made an impact on the field. The publications may include books, refereed journal articles, research notes, monographs, or book chapters.
- > *Community and Public Service*. Contributions by the individual to community service working to support people with developmental disabilities and their families is an important factor in this award. Such activities may include service on boards and commissions, government service, and service to advocacy or professional organizations.

### *Frequency of Award*

awarded as warranted  
nominations by general membership

### *Past Recipients*

1996 Ludwik Szymanski and Christopher P.S. Williams  
1997 Godfrey P. Oakley, MD (CDC)  
2000 Richard N. Roberts, PhD  
2001 Cordelia Robinson, PhD (CO)  
2002 Ansley Bacon, PhD (NY)  
2004 Robert Stodden (HI)  
2006 Elizabeth Depoy, PhD (ME)

## Leadership in Advocacy Award

### *Description*

The Leadership in Advocacy Award is presented to an outstanding individual or family member who has exhibited exceptional leadership and self-advocacy skills in the area of developmental disabilities. The nomination should include a two-page description of the nominee's activities that demonstrate the individual or family member's leadership and self-advocacy skills. The description should list agencies and events in which the nominee was involved that have made a significant difference in the lives of individuals with disabilities.

### *Frequency of Award*

awarded as warranted  
nominations by general membership

### *Previous Recipients*

1995 Harriet Holt Cloud and Eunice Shishmanian  
1996 Tia Nelis  
1997 Elise David McMillian, John F. Kennedy Center, Peabody College of Vanderbilt University  
2000 Sue Swenson  
2002 Susan Yuan (VT)  
2003 Martha Sheldon, MSW (FL)  
2004 Norb Ryan (KY)  
2005 Jan Moss (OK)  
2006 Steven E. Brown, PhD (HI)

## Young Professional Award

### *Description*

This award is presented to professionals in the disabilities field under the age of 40 years who have demonstrated dedication and commitment to people with developmental disabilities and their families through their work as a bridge between the academic sector and the community. Nominations should be limited to one page and include a description of activities exemplifying the nominee's contributions. The nominee's birth date, including the year, should be included on the nomination page.

### *Frequency of Award*

awarded as warranted  
nominations by general membership

### *Previous Recipients*

1995 Katy Beh Neas  
1996 Mary Boat  
1997 Deborah Gilmer (Maine UAP)  
2000 Amy Hewitt, PhD  
2001 Jeffrey Brosco, MD, PhD (Mailman)  
2002 Dean Westwood (OIDD)  
2004 Megan Conway (HI)  
2005 Angela Weaver-Roebuck, MEd (OR)  
2006 Mary Kay Rizzolo (IL)

## Anne Rudigier Award

### *Description*

Presented by the Rudigier Family to commemorate the accomplishments and commitment of Anne Rudigier, this award recognizes an outstanding student demonstrating a commitment to supporting people with developmental disabilities and their families. Any UCEDD or LEND faculty member may nominate a student. The nomination should include a 2-page description of the nominee's activities, while enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program that demonstrate how the student has made a difference in the life of an individual with a developmental disability. Please include the name of the school(s) in which the student is enrolled currently, and the school where activities for which the student is being nominated occurred (if different). Students currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program and in good academic standing are eligible. The awardee will receive \$500.

### *Frequency of Award*

awarded annually  
nominations by general membership

### *Previous Recipients*

1995 Maude Brown Lofton  
1996 Anja Peersen  
1997 Paul Leahy ( U Missouri—KC)  
1998 Cynthia Lashey  
1999 Tec Chapman  
2000 Ethel Chou  
2001 Kathy Sheppard Jones (UKY)  
2002 Kelly Peters (NM)  
2003 Joseph Caldwell (IL)  
2004 Kristy Adakai-Tinney (NM)  
2005 Ann Cameron Williams, PhD (IL)  
2006 Sara E. Boyd, MA (KY)

## Multicultural Council Award for Leadership in Diversity

### Description

The Association of University Centers on Disability (AUCD) Multicultural Council Award is presented to an association member or group in recognition of:

- > their exhibited leadership and commitment to advancing programs and practices aimed toward increasing the diversity, cultural and/or linguistic competencies (in curriculum, services, supports, research and recruitment) within a Center and the Network as a whole.
- >exemplary programs and practices addressing the areas of diversity, cultural and/or linguistic competencies (in curriculum, services, supports, research and recruitment) within a Center and the Network as a whole.
- > significant contributions in furthering the cause of diversity understanding for the needs of families seeking disability services.

### Frequency of Award

awarded as warranted  
nominations by Multicultural Council

### Previous Recipients

2004 Glenn Fujiura, PhD (IL)  
2005 Georgetown University UCEDD  
2006 Judy Struck, MA (SD)

## Council on Community Advocacy Award

### Description

The COCA Award will be presented to the UCEDD that:

- > has exhibited the strongest commitment to support the full and active participation of self advocates and family members on its consumer advisory council;
- > has demonstrated leadership in the promotion and use of assistive technology to enhance the lives and participation of individuals with disabilities (i.e. may have a model program)
- > has an outstanding record in providing and encouraging best or promising practices in person and family centered principles; and
- > utilizes culturally competent approaches and overall consumer accessibility in all aspects of their mission (including publications, activities and projects).

### Frequency of Award

awarded as warranted  
nominations by Council on Community Advocacy

### Previous Recipients

1999 University of Texas UAP; University of Utah UAP  
2000 University of Maine UAP  
2001 Waisman Center  
2002 Interdisciplinary Human Development Institute, KY  
2003 Center for Development and Disability, NM  
2006 Indiana Institute on Disability and Community

## Gold Star Award

### Description

The AUCD Gold Star Award, established in 2002, is presented to a Hill staffer who exemplifies a true partnership in crafting strong public policy. This award recognizes the staffer for his/her professional and personal efforts to craft policy and implement programs with input from AUCD and the greater disability community thus supporting AUCD in achieving its mission to advance policy and practice for and with people living with developmental and other disabilities, their families, and communities.

### Frequency of Award

awarded as warranted  
nominations by Legislative Affairs Committee

### Previous Recipients

2003 Leah Kegler (Senator Grassley's Office)  
2004 Amy Judge (Representative Langevin's Office)  
2005 Ellen Murray (Senate, Labor HHS, Education Appropriations Subcommittee)  
2006 Aaron Bishop (Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee Professional Staff)

## Meritorious Service Award

### Description

The AUCD Meritorious Service Award is presented to an Association member or group in recognition of professional and personal efforts that proactively support AUCD in achieving its mission to advance policy and practice for and with people living with developmental and other disabilities, their families and communities. The focus of this award is service to the Association in a way that has helped build the capacity of AUCD to support its members and thereby improve the lives of individuals with disabilities and their families.

### Frequency of Award

awarded as warranted  
nominations by general membership

### Previous Recipients

1999 Ron J. Thorkildsen, PhD  
2000 Nancy Striffler  
2002 Valerie Williams, Fred Orelve, Sheryl White-Scott, Keith Miller, & Penny Seay  
2003 Tawara Goode, MA (Georgetown)  
2004 Ansley Bacon, PhD (NY) – Judith Holt, PhD (UT)  
2006 Rita Hohlstein, MS, OTR (Waisman Center) & Ann Cox, PhD, RN (VA)

## Special Recognition Awards

### *Description*

The AUCD Special Recognition Award is presented to an Association member or group, or to an individual, group, or organization outside of the AUCD, to recognize outstanding contributions toward creating more inclusive communities for people with developmental disabilities and their families. The award is given in recognition of professional and personal efforts in a programmatic area that proactively supports people with developmental disabilities and their families at the local, state or national level. The nomination should include a description of the program area in which the nominee was centrally involved and a description of the complexity or severity of problems addressed; key organizations or individuals whose involvement in addressing the issue was facilitated by this member or group; use of original, innovative, or effective approaches to address the problem or issue; and contributions to attainment of AUCD goals or national policy positions. If a group or organization is being nominated, the name(s) of key people directly involved in the noted accomplishments should be

### *Frequency of Award*

awarded annually since 2000  
nominations by general membership

### *Previous Recipients*

2000 Glennita Haskey  
2001 Kathleen Kovack, Rose Ann Percival (Recognition to DDS)  
2001 Marty Blair, Policy Fellow  
2002 Ann Drum (MCHB), Barry Eigen (SSA), & Bettilou Taylor  
2003 Constance Garner, RN (Kennedy's Office); Adele Gorelick (ADD), George Jesien (AUCD)  
2004 Donna Gleaves (The Arc of Utah)  
2005 Bobby Silverstein, JD (CSADP), Denise Sofka, RD, MPH (MCHB)  
2006 Jose F. Cordero, MD, MPH (NCBDDD)

## President's Recognition Award

### *Description*

The President's Recognition Award is presented to the outgoing President of AUCD's Board of Directors annually.

### *Frequency of Award*

Annually  
No nominations: automatic to outgoing president

### *Previous Recipients*

1997 Fred Orelove  
1998 Sheryl White-Scott  
1999 Penny Seay  
2000 David Mank  
2001 Gloria Krahn  
2002 Robert Stodden  
2003 Robert Bacon  
2004 David Johnson, PhD (MN)  
2005 Fred Palmer, MD (TN)  
2006 Lucille A. Zeph, EdD (ME)  
2007 Royal P. Walker, Jr., JD (MS)

## Recognition of Service to the Organization

### *Description*

This award recognizes the significant contributions to the Association by outgoing members of the Board of Directors.

### *Frequency of Award*

awarded annually  
no nominations: automatic to outgoing Board Members

## Other Awards

### *Frequency*

awarded rarely, as warranted  
nominations by general membership

### *Previous Recipients*

(Recognition for outside award received) Honors for National and International Leadership: Craig Ramey (AL); John Ray  
1997 (Riley, IN)  
2000 Outstanding International Contributor to the Field: Trevor R. Parmenter, PhD  
2000 Outstanding National Contributor to the Field: Marvin G. Fifield, EdD  
2001 Special Recognition for Lifetime Achievement: Bob Cooke  
2003 In Memoriam: Yvonne Bullock Fryberger