



International Association for Food Protection®

Ewen C.D. Todd Control of Foodborne Illness Award

WHO IS EWEN C.D. TODD?

The Ewen C.D. Todd Control of Foodborne Illness Award is named in honor of Dr. Ewen C.D. Todd, President of Ewen Todd Consulting LLC and an Adjunct Professor at Michigan State University. Dr. Todd was a research scientist for 33 years with various organizations in Canada, working on methods development for pathogens in foods, foodborne disease investigation and reporting, costs and surveillance of disease, and other food-safety related issues. He joined IAFP in 1987 and has served on the Journal of Food Protection Editorial Board for 23 years and served on the JFP Management Committee from 1997–1998. Dr. Todd received the Harry Haverland Citation Award in 1992, the Fellow Award in 2001, the Honorary Life Membership Award in 2011, and the President's Recognition Award in 2016.

The Ewen C. D. Todd Control of Foodborne Illness Award recognizes a professional individual for dedicated and exceptional contributions to the reduction of risks to foodborne illness. The award consists of a plaque and a \$1,500 honorarium sponsored by **Marler Clark Attorneys at Law**.

Qualifications for nominees

- Be a non-student Member in good standing at the time of nomination and during the IAFP Annual Meeting who has had an outstanding career in foodborne disease investigation, prevention and control.
- Recipients can be employed in or retired from government, academia or industry.
- IAFP Executive Board Members and IAFP Awards Committee Members are not eligible.

Criteria for nominations

Please provide *specific information* on the following:

- **Career highlights—length of service and positions held in their profession(s)**
Provide a resume or summary of positions held related to foodborne disease, epidemiology, laboratory, prevention and control strategies, including activities that highlight the nominee's dedication to the profession and that demonstrate high personal standards. CVs must be no longer than 20 pages maximum.
- **Contributions to leadership in research pertaining to foodborne disease prevention and control**
Provide specific examples of outbreak investigations, case-control and laboratory studies, and other epidemiological studies; willingness to collaborate with peers in a multidisciplinary way; research history on foodborne illness identification, prevention, control and understanding human behavior relating risks of foodborne disease; sharing research data with peers at scientific meetings. Recognition by colleagues could be demonstrative of achievements.

- **Publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, book chapters, and educational materials**
Provide a listing of publications, presentations, and other ways to share information with scientific and lay audiences.
- **Participation in IAFP activities**
Provide membership history and listing of past and present involvement in IAFP committees and PDGs, Annual or Affiliate Meeting attendance and program participation (e.g., speaker, symposium organizer, etc.) and other IAFP activities.
- **Peer assessment of nominee**
Provide no less than two and no more than three letters of support* from professional peers **in addition to a nomination cover letter***.

Additional points to consider under the criteria for evaluating nominee

Other activities or characteristics of the nominee that are not specifically covered under the above criteria may be provided to emphasize the nominee's dedication to food protection and demonstrate the nominee's high personal standards (e.g., other associations, volunteer and community activities, etc.).

Submitting nominations

Nominations must be submitted as one PDF to awards@foodprotection.org by Tuesday, February 13, 2024. Please follow directions carefully to avoid errors. **Nominations received by email directly to the IAFP office or by mail will not be accepted.** If you have any questions about this award or the required documents, please contact Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Once you have submitted your **complete** nomination, you will receive an acknowledgment of receipt from Susan within 48 hours. (If you do not, please contact Susan.)

**Nomination letter and letters of support cannot be from a current IAFP Board Member*

IAFP Ewen C. D. Todd Control of Foodborne Illness Award Judging Procedure

Procedure for evaluation of each candidate

This procedure was designed with the intention of providing a matrix to help the award jury select a recipient with a relatively equitable, semi-quantitative method. Nominators have been instructed to provide specific information on the candidate that reflects the expectations and specific intent of the Ewen C. D. Todd Control of Foodborne Illness Award: *To honor an active IAFP Member for dedicated and exceptional contributions to the profession.* Each criterion listed in the next section has a weight factor that is considered to reflect its importance relative to the specific intent of the Ewen C. D. Todd Control of Foodborne Illness Award.

The jury's task is to evaluate the nominee by measuring his or her performance against the criteria listed above and applying the 1-10 Rating Scale given below. To obtain each criterion's weighted score*, multiply the criterion's % weight (in decimal format) times the score that was assigned from the 1-10 Rating Scale. Nominees should be ranked for each criterion on their own merit and should also be ranked in relation to other nominees. The table provided on the next page should be used to organize the evaluation data. Add the weighted scores in order to obtain the overall ranking of the candidate.

Rating Scale

9.0 – 10.0	Outstanding: performance exceeds <i>judge's</i> expectations for criterion
8.0 – 8.9	Above average: performance is above average expectation level for criterion
7.0 – 7.9	Average: performance meets average criterion expectations
6.0 – 6.9	Below average: performance below expectations
5.9 or less	Unsatisfactory or not applicable: performance does not meet criterion expectations or the criterion does not apply to the candidate

The following is an example showing a nominee receiving a perfect score (10 in each criterion).

Award Criteria	Criterion % Weight (x Factor)	Judge's Score out of 10	Weighted Score
Career Highlights	20 % (0.20)	10.0	2.0
Contributions to Leadership	30 % (0.30)	10.0	3.0
Publications	20 % (0.20)	10.0	2.0
Participation in IAFP	15 % (0.15)	10.0	1.5
Peer Assessment	<u>15 % (0.15)</u>	10.0	<u>1.5</u>
	100 %		10.0

*Weighted score = criteria score given based on rating guideline times criteria weight factor: (e.g., If contributions to Leadership score is 8, then $8 \times 0.30 = 2.4$ weighted score)