

NOMINATION FORM: THE OMOLOLU FALOBI AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN HIV PREVENTION RESEARCH COMMUNITY ADVOCACY - 2010

To nominate a candidate for consideration, please submit attached form along with a recommendation letter by **31 January, 2010** to omololufalobiaward@yahoo.com.
Recipient will be honoured at the Microbicides 2010 Conference.

About the Omololu Falobi Award



"The Omololu Falobi Award for Excellence in HIV Prevention Research Community Advocacy" was established to honour the life and work of Omololu Falobi and highlight the essential role of community advocacy in HIV prevention research. This award is an important and ongoing legacy to Omololu and is recognition to his commitment and contribution to HIV prevention research advocacy.

Despite his untimely and tragic death in 2006, Omololu Falobi was a visionary leader that continues to inspire many people and projects. He was a leading HIV/AIDS activist, an advocate for prevention research, and an exceptional journalist. Omololu made enormous impact in Nigeria and beyond – he nurtured and/or led campaigns related to prevention, treatment and research; won multiple awards nationally and internationally; and earned a tremendous reputation from all who had the privilege to work with him. He established the Journalists Against AIDS in Nigeria (JAAIDS), co-created the Nigeria-AIDS eForum, co-founded the Nigerian HIV Vaccine and Microbicide Advocacy Group (NHVMAG), was an instrumental pioneer member of the Treatment Access Movement (TAM) Nigeria and a key leader of the African Civil Society Coalition on HIV and AIDS.

The African Microbicides Advocacy Group (AMAG) is proud to collaborate with the AIDS Vaccine Advocacy Coalition (AVAC), the Global Campaign for Microbicides (GCM), JAAIDS, NHVMAS and TAM - to coordinate this award process. Financial support for the Award comes from AMAG, AVAC, GCM, Family Health International (FHI) and NHVMAS, Open Society Institute in South Africa (OSISA) and UNAIDS,

The Nomination & Selection Process

- Nominations must be made by nominee's colleagues and friends. We will not accept self-nominations.
- Nomination form includes an information sheet (below) that must be completed and attached to a recommendation letter.
- Nomination forms and recommendation letters to be sent to omololufalobiaward@yahoo.com by 31 January 2010
- Review of nominations by Independent Review Panel (international panel made up of researchers, advocates, people living with HIV)
- The recipient will be informed before the M2010 conference

Recognition of Award Recipient

- Public Recognition and award to recipient at the closing Ceremony of Microbicides 2010
- Ensuring that the recipient is able to travel to and participate in the conference.

Award Planning Committee:

Manju Chatani-Gada, African Microbicides Advocacy Group (AMAG) & AVAC
Mitchell Warren, AIDS Vaccine Advocacy Coalition (AVAC)
Katie West Slevin, Global Campaign for Microbicides (GCM)
Olayide Akanni, Journalists Against AIDS in Nigeria (JAAIDS)
Morenike Ukpong, New HIV Vaccine & Microbicide Advocacy Society (NHVMAS)
Mayowa Joel, Treatment Access Movement (TAM), Nigeria

For more information, please write to: omololufalobiaward@yahoo.com

FALOBI AWARD 2010 NOMINATION: INFORMATION SHEET

Nominee's Information

Nominee's First Name: _____

Nominee's Surname/Last Name: _____

Organization/Affiliation: _____

Job Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City (and postcode): _____ Country: _____

Nominee's Telephone: _____

Nominee's Email: _____

(Please circle one response below for each)

Has nominee applied for a M2010 Scholarship? YES NO DON'T KNOW

Has nominee submitted an abstract to M2010? YES NO DON'T KNOW

Recommender/Nominator's Information

First Name: _____

Surname/Last Name: _____

Organization/Affiliation: _____

Job Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

** Please note that we may call on you for more information.*

Letter of Recommendation

Please attach a letter of recommendation for the individual you have nominated. We suggest it be no longer than 1-2 pages. In the body of your letter, please include the following information:

- Why you consider this person a leader in HIV prevention research advocacy.
- Examples of projects or activities where s/he has shown excellence.
- Examples of how this person has inspired you or others in advocacy around HIV prevention research.
- The impact this person's work and/or commitment to his/her community has had on the HIV prevention research field in their country and/or internationally.

In writing your recommendation, please be aware of the criteria with which the candidates will be considered.

The contribution the nominee has made in or shown in:

- Specific projects or activities related to community-based advocacy in HIV prevention research.
- Building, nurturing and sustaining relationships between communities, advocacy and research, especially in resource-poor settings.
- Inspired other advocates and/or groups to get involved.
- Demonstrated communication, mentoring and leadership skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to the issues and approaches embraced by Omololu Falobi – advocacy around comprehensive HIV treatment and prevention; local leadership in international issues; ensuring voices of those at the frontlines are amplified.
- Predominant activities are in developing countries and with marginalized communities.
- Evidence of long-term commitment to HIV prevention research advocacy.

The Review Committee will also consider:

- Potential for award strengthening nominee's ongoing work.
- Potential for receipt of this award raising the profile of the Omololu Falobi Award itself.
- Potential that the nominee will enhance visibility, public awareness and impact of community advocacy within HIV prevention research.

Nominations of people living/working in the developing world, and/or living with HIV, and and/or working in the media – are strongly encouraged.

FALOBI AWARD 2010 NOMINATION: FURTHER REFERENCES & CHECKLIST

References

In addition to yourself, please suggest up to two references that can speak to your nominee's contributions to community advocacy in HIV prevention research. These individuals may be contacted to gain further insight into your nominee's contributions to the field and meeting of selection criteria.

Reference 1:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Organization/Affiliation: _____ Job Title: _____

City: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Reference 2:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Organization/Affiliation: _____ Job Title: _____

City: _____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Checklist

Please check to indicate that you have attached to following to the nomination form:

- Completed nomination form (Required).
- Attach letter of recommendation (Required).
- Second letter of recommendation (Suggested).

In order to strengthen your nomination we strongly suggest that you submit a second letter of recommendation from an individual who can speak to your nominee's contributions to community advocacy in HIV prevention research.

Send to:

Please send nomination forms and all supporting materials via email to:

Omololu Falobi Award Selection Committee
omololufalobiaward@yahoo.com

or

FAX: +1-646-365-3452

DEADLINE: 31 January 2010