

**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION
OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**

POLIOPLUS PIONEER AWARD

Criteria and Guidelines

Purpose: The award is made to honor Rotarians who provided extraordinary service to The Rotary Foundation, such service having a substantial impact on the ultimate goal of polio eradication.

Eligibility: Rotarians who performed exceptionally meritorious service to the ultimate cause of polio eradication **prior** to 1 November 1992.

Criteria:

1. The service must be non-financial, although service in advocacy and fund raising is not excluded.
2. The service must not have been adequately recognized by another Foundation award. Rotarians who have received the Citation for Meritorious Service or one for Distinguished Service on the basis of PolioPlus service are not automatically excluded, but these awards must be clearly inadequate to recognize the level of service to the eradication of polio.
3. A Rotarian may receive both the Pioneer award and one or two polio eradication awards but the Rotarian must merit both awards in the strictest sense of the criteria for each. It is anticipated that the number of Rotarians receiving dual awards will be small.
4. Directors, Trustees and members of the International PolioPlus Committee are ineligible for the award while serving in such positions.

Nominations: Nominations may be made by any Rotarian to the general secretary. The general secretary will forward all nominations to the Chairman of the Nominations Committee with information of any prior Foundation award recognition which was based on PolioPlus service. The Nomination Committee shall meet when authorized by the Trustee Chairman but at least annually.

Nominating Committee and Elections: Except for the first nominating committee, members shall be appointed to the committee by the Trustee Chairman. All members shall serve at the pleasure of the Trustee Chairman. All appointees must have previously received the PolioPlus Pioneer Award.