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FELLOW of the ASTMH (FASTMH)

Fellow member status (also known as Fellowship) in the Society is an honor recognizing sustained professional excellence in any phase of tropical medicine, hygiene, global health and related disciplines. [View list of Fellows.](#)

Fellows of ASTMH are expected to provide letters of endorsement/support to qualifying members of the Society interested in applying for Fellow status.

ASTMH FELLOWSHIP IS ACHIEVED VIA THREE TRACKS:

Track 1: Clinical Practice and Educator

Track 2: Program Implementation and Leadership

Track 3: Research and Investigation

Track 1 - Clinical Practice and Educator Track: Qualifications

- This track is for those whose primary professional activity is clinical practice and/or education in tropical medicine, hygiene, global health or a related field.
- Service to the Society must be demonstrated by five years of continuous Active, Life, or Emeritus/Emerita membership in the Society, or two years of membership on an ASTMH committee plus a leadership appointment for at least one year.
- Service to the profession must have significant local *and/or* national/international impact as described below.

Local Impact (any *two* of the following):

- a. Documented sustained excellence as a practitioner:
 - CTropMed®: ASTMH Certificate of Knowledge in Clinical Tropical Medicine and Travelers' Health *and* maintaining board certification
- b. Documented sustained excellence as a clinical teacher, examples of excellence:
 - Serving as a director of a university-based, hospital-based, or continuing education-based course, or being an integral developer of such curricula for at least three years.

- Serving as program director of a training grant, residency or fellowship training program for at least three years.
 - Recipient of teaching award(s) in clinical medicine, biomedical science or related fields from a university, hospital or comparable institution.
- c. An appointment at a School of Health Sciences at the Associate Professor level or higher or comparable appointment at a comparable institution

National/International Impact (any *one* of the following):

- a. Publications
- Significant contributions in peer-reviewed journals or textbooks: 10 or more substantial, first or last-authored (and second-authored, if appropriate) publications in peer-reviewed journals or major textbooks as part of a total of 25 publications.
- b. Committees
- Significant and sustained (minimum two years) service on national (e.g., ASTMH, NIH, FDA, CDC) and/or international (e.g., WHO) committees addressing clinical and/or education needs in tropical medicine, hygiene or global health issues.
- c. Letters
- Three letters of endorsement by professional colleagues attesting to the sustained clinical or teaching/educational excellence of the applicant. At least one letter must come from a current Fellow of the ASTMH, with the other letters from persons who can specifically evaluate the applicant's contributions towards ASTMH fellowship.

Track 2 - Program Implementation and Leadership: Qualifications

- This track is for those whose primary professional activity is program implementation and/or leadership in tropical medicine, hygiene, global health or a related field.
- Service to the Society must be demonstrated by five years of continuous Active, Life, or Emeritus/Emerita membership in the Society, or two years of membership on an ASTMH committee plus a leadership appointment for at least one year.
- Service to the profession must have significant local *and/or* national/international impact as described below:

Local Impact (any *two* of the following):

- a. Program implementation and leadership:
- Documented sustained excellence in delivery or leadership of tropical medicine, hygiene or global health measures/programs, or local governmental and/or

non-governmental health systems.

- Site at which delivery occurs may be within or outside of the United States.
- Examples of program implementation and leadership are: serving as program director, team leader, or maintaining a leadership position in program development, delivery, and/or assessment; an appointment at a School of Health Sciences at the Associate Professor level or higher or comparable appointment at a comparable institution.

National/International Impact (any *one* of the following):

a. Publications

- Significant contributions in peer-reviewed journals or textbooks: 10 or more substantial, first or last-authored (and second-authored, if appropriate) publications in peer-reviewed journals or major textbooks as part of a total of 25 publications.

b. Committees

- Significant and sustained (minimum two years) service on national (e.g., ASTMH, NIH, FDA, CDC) and/or international (e.g., WHO) committees addressing tropical medicine, hygiene or global health issues.

c. Leadership

- Significant national and/or international leadership in a governmental, philanthropic, science-advocacy or NGO that addresses tropical medicine, hygiene and/or global health issues. Examples include but are not limited to WHO, NIH, CDC, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, DNDi, Global Fund and UN Foundation.

d. Letters

- Three letters of endorsement by professional colleagues attesting to the sustained clinical or teaching/educational excellence of the applicant. At least one letter must come from a current Fellow of the ASTMH, with the other letters from persons who can specifically evaluate the applicant's contributions towards ASTMH fellowship.

Track 3- Research/Investigation Track:

- This track is for those whose primary activity is basic or clinical research/investigation in tropical medicine, hygiene, global health or a related field.
- Service to the Society must be demonstrated by five years of continuous Active, Life, or Emeritus/a membership in the Society, or two years of membership on an ASTMH committee plus a leadership appointment for at least one year.
- Contributions to the profession must have national impact in any *two* of the criteria described below:

- a. Principal investigator or major investigator on RO1/U01-level grant from NIH, VA, CDC, a philanthropic organization, corporation or industry.
- b. Publications: 10 substantial, first or last-authored (and second-authored, if appropriate) primary investigative publications as part of a total of 25 primary investigative publications in peer-reviewed journals.
- c. An appointment at a School of Health Sciences at the Associate Professor level or higher or comparable appointment at a comparable institution.
- d. Letters
 - Three letters of endorsement by professional colleagues attesting to the sustained clinical or teaching/educational excellence of the applicant. At least one letter must come from a current Fellow of the ASTMH, with the other letters from persons who can specifically evaluate the applicant's contributions towards ASTMH fellowship.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Call for Nominations

In the summer of each year, the ASTMH will call for nominations for advancement to fellowship. The call will be posted on the ASTMH website and will also be sent to members by e-mail and other communication vehicles as appropriate.

Application

The application includes the following:

- 1) Completion of the online application form including identifying information about the applicant, selected track and appropriate impact category.
- 2) A letter from the applicant documenting specifically how the impact criteria for the selected track is met (limit two pages). Please list (1) the application track, (2) the criteria used, (3) how the criteria is met. A personal statement is not requested.
- 3) The applicant's curriculum vitae.
- 4) Three letters of endorsement.
 - Applicants should solicit letters from persons who are able to specifically evaluate their contributions toward ASTMH fellowship. *Three* letters are required with at least one from a current Fellow of the ASTMH.
 - **Applicants should inform the persons writing letters of support to submit letters of endorsement directly to ASTMH online application site. Persons submitting letters will receive an email with upload instructions. The file name of each letter should follow this format: APPLICANT_NAME_FASTMH_2012.**
- 5) Payment of the non-refundable application fee of \$150.

- 6) Please note that maintenance of the Fellow status requires an annual renewal of \$50 in addition to the standard ASTMH member fee.

Review Process

Applications will be reviewed by the ASTMH Fellowship Committee. The Committee is chaired by the Secretary-Treasurer of ASTMH, and has representatives from each of the five Society subgroups: ACAV (Virology), ACCTMTH (Clinical), ACGH (Global Health), ACMCIP (Immuno-parasitology) and ACME (Entomology). Committee members will be added on an ad hoc basis to provide expertise in assessing applications.

Acceptance of the Nomination

The list of nominees recommended for Fellowship will be presented to the ASTMH Council. Acceptance of the nominee for Fellowship will be by majority vote of the Council.

Nominees not recommended for advancement to fellowship will receive a letter from the Chair of the Fellowship Committee. Nominees who are not advanced to Fellow are encouraged to re-apply at future calls for applications.

Notification of Fellowship Decision

Following acceptance by the ASTMH Council, Fellows will be formally recognized during the Awards Ceremony at the Annual Meeting. All Fellows are strongly encouraged to attend to receive this honor in person.