



## Call for Nominations: 2025 March of Dimes Agnes Higgins Award

*TO HONOR DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT IN MATERNAL-FETAL NUTRITION*

### Introduction

Established in 1980, the March of Dimes Agnes Higgins Award honors the late Agnes Higgins of the Montreal Diet Dispensary for her innovation and years of service to the cause of improved maternal nutrition. A pioneer in devising methods of nutritional assessment and counseling, Mrs. Higgins greatly advanced the understanding of diet as a crucial factor in healthy pregnancy and prevention of low birthweight. The Agnes Higgins Award is presented in recognition of distinguished achievement in research, education, or clinical services in the field of maternal-fetal nutrition.

### Call for Nominations—Deadline: August 9, 2024

The March of Dimes seeks nominations for qualified candidates for the 2025 Agnes Higgins Award. Nominations must be received no later than August 9, 2024 to be eligible for review. **Winners will receive a cash honorarium and will be honored at a presentation at the Pediatric Academic Societies annual meeting.**

### Nomination Criteria

Candidates for the Agnes Higgins Award must have:

- Been widely involved in maternal-fetal nutrition through teaching, research, and/or clinical practice for at least five years;
- Shown a demonstrable effect in raising the quality of maternal-fetal nutritional care through scholarly pursuits, research, education, and/or practice;
- Demonstrated ability to apply maternal-fetal nutritional standards of practice and/or facilitate their implementation by others.

### Instructions

1. Complete the nomination form and submit it with **all required attachments** to: Courtney Dower, Research Grants Administrator, by email as a PDF file with electronic or scanned original signature to [cdower@marchofdimes.org](mailto:cdower@marchofdimes.org).
2. Required attachments include:
  - A written description of the nominee's achievements in maternal-fetal nutrition (300 word maximum)
  - A list of nominee's publications most relevant to the achievement for which the nomination is made
  - The nominee's curriculum vitae
  - Letters from colleagues in support of the nominee's qualifications and achievements (maximum of seven)
  - Manuscript samples (maximum of three)

For additional information, contact Courtney Dower at [cdower@marchofdimes.org](mailto:cdower@marchofdimes.org).