



UPHAC *Hero for the Uninsured Awards 2010* Nomination Process

Nomination Deadline: March 12, 2010

Hero for the Uninsured Awards are annual recognition of health care providers, access partners, medication suppliers, medical facilities, volunteers and other key players in providing access to health care for uninsured Upper Peninsula residents and support for programs undertaken in cooperation with Local Access Coalitions:

- **Community Health Access Coalition (CHAC)** of Chippewa, Luce and Mackinac counties;
- **Medical Care Access Coalition of Dickinson and Iron Counties (DIMCAC);**
- **Medical Access Coalition (MAC)** of Delta and Menominee counties;
- **Medical Care Access Coalition (MCAC)**, including Schoolcraft Health Access (SHA) and Alger County Medical Access (ACMA) serving Marquette, Alger and Schoolcraft counties, and
- **Western Upper Peninsula Healthcare Access Coalition (WUPHAC)**, serving Houghton, Baraga, Gogebic, Keweenaw and Ontonagon counties.

Award Presentation: Awards will be presented by the **Upper Peninsula Health Access Coalition (UPHAC)** at the 3rd annual U.P. “Hero Awards” Dinner May 6 in Marquette.

Nomination Process: Nominations may be submitted by the general public, individuals and organizations associated with Local Access Coalition (LAC) work, health care and prescription drug providers, hospital and FQHC partners, current and former patient-enrollees, members of LAC boards and staffs, patient care organizations, social service and health agencies, civic groups, etc. **Former “Hero Award” recipients from 2007-2009 are especially encouraged to submit nominees from their communities.**

Nominations will be reviewed and awardees will be determined by the Board of Trustees of UPHAC. (Current members of the board and staff of UPHAC and employees and VISTA volunteers of Local Access Coalitions are not eligible for Hero recognition.) Only one award per person or organization per year will be approved.

NOMINATOR GUIDANCE: Recommend individuals, groups, organizations and/or programs that:

- Demonstrate exceptional effort in providing access to care for uninsured residents of the Upper Peninsula, either in a singular event or ongoing work.
- Make exemplary sustained and/or new contributions to the goal of achieving 100 percent access to health care in the Upper Peninsula.
- Provide special efforts in direct care services, program outreach and emphasis on dignity in care to LAC patient-enrollees or the uninsured population of the Upper Peninsula in general.
- Create/implement new or innovative ideas and/or programs that support the cause of access-to-health-care for uninsured U.P. residents.

All nominations should be submitted on an official [form](#). Nomination forms are available from Local Access Coalition offices in

* Escanaba	* Hancock	* Iron Mountain	* Iron River
* Manistique	* Marquette	* Menominee	* Munising
* Newberry	* Sault Ste. Marie	* St. Ignace	

or from the Upper Peninsula Health Access Coalition office – call 906.233.0210. Support material documenting nominations are encouraged.

Nominations will be accepted through Friday, March 12, 2010. E-mail submissions are encouraged. Send to: UPHAC Program Coordinator Nancy Mathews at nmathews@uphealthaccess.org ; or mail to: UPHAC, 1101 Ludington St. #224, Escanaba, MI 49829, or fax to 906.233.0215.



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Submit Nominations by **Friday, March 12, 2010** to:

Upper Peninsula Health Access Coalition
by e-mail (nmathews@uphealthaccess.org) (preferred),
Fax to 906.233.0215 or mail to
1101 Ludington St. Suite 224, Escanaba MI 49829

Hero for the Uninsured 2010 – Nomination Form

Contact Information

Nominee's Name: _____	Nominator Name: _____
Nominee's Address: _____	Nominator Address: _____
City _____ Zip _____	City _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____ e-mail: _____	Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Nomination Summary

Please include type(s) of service of the nominee, what qualifies this nominee for recognition as a 'Hero for the Uninsured,' how nominee's contributions benefit uninsured U.P. residents.

Connection With Local Access Coalition Affiliation (if any)



Is Nominee Associated with a Local Access Coalition? _____ If so, which?

- ___ Medical Access Coalition of Delta and Menominee Counties (MAC);
- ___ Medical Care Access Coalition of Dickinson and Iron Counties (DIMCAC);
- ___ Western Upper Peninsula Healthcare Access Coalition (WUPHAC), serving Houghton, Baraga, Gogebic, Keweenaw and Ontonagon counties.
- ___ Medical Care Access Coalition (MCAC) (including Schoolcraft Health Access and Alger Co. Medical Access), serving Marquette, Alger and Schoolcraft counties, and
- ___ Community Health Access Coalition (CHAC) of Chippewa, Luce and Mackinac counties;

Role _____ Duration: _____ (mos/yrs)

General Nature of Work with Coalition _____



Hero for the Uninsured 2010 Nomination Statement

One-Page Nomination Statement

Complete a **ONE-PAGE NOMINATION STATEMENT** below and submit with support materials.

Electronic submissions encouraged; send to e-mail address on cover page, attaching electronic files of support materials if possible. Hard copy support material may be mailed to UPHAC address on cover page.

Provide details of nominee's contributions, his/her/their work with Local Access Coalitions (if appropriate) and how nominee supports or furthers access to health care for the uninsured in the U.P.

Please limit response to approximately one typed page, single spaced.

Nominator: _____

I nominate _____ **as a '2010 Hero for the Uninsured' because:**

Attachments (optional)

Attach support material documenting reasons for nomination (testimonies, letters of thanks, media coverage, contribution examples, photos, etc.). If mailed, send to: UPHAC, 1101 Ludington St. #224, Escanaba MI 49829. Please note: these materials will not be returned.

List Support Materials: ___ *attached (e-file)* ___ *mailed (hard copy)*
