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TCRMF Safety Awards 2020

The Fund is pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 – 2020 Safety Awards. The awards recognize solid achievements in reducing claims that affect General, Professional and Errors & Omissions Liability, Workers' Compensation and Automobile Liability. The timing of the awards is somewhat delayed due to the pandemic and postponement of the Texas Council Annual Conference in 2020. The awards for the 2020 – 2021 Fund year will be presented at the Texas Council Annual Meeting in November 2021.



The awards are determined by calculating ratios that reflect actual loss experience over a five-year period. The calculations use member payroll, net operating expenditures and number of vehicles compared to actual claims experience. Loss rates are determined per thousand dollars of net operating expenses for the Liability awards, per hundred dollars of payroll for Workers' Compensation and per vehicle for Automobile Liability and Physical Damage.

There is one winner for the Fleet award and three winners in Liability and Workers' Compensation based on small, medium and large centers determined by net operating expenditures for the most recent year used in the award calculations. Small centers fall below \$19 million. Medium size centers range between \$21 and \$32 million and the large centers exceed \$35 million. The overall

best record in all three award categories determines the winner of the prestigious Betty Hardwick award.

The loss rates by award ranged from:

Workers' Compensation	\$0.06 to \$1.23 per \$100 payroll
Liability	\$0 to \$4.72 per \$1,000 net operating expenditures
Fleet	\$481.54 to \$23,178.33 per vehicle

As you can see from the range of loss rates in each category, there is stiff competition for the awards and plenty of room for improvement for some members.



The Fund started operations in 1988 during a time when very few insurance companies were offering coverage for centers. Formation of a self-insurance Trust was chosen as a way to take control of the insurance problem. In 2001 the Fund decided to recognize Betty Hardwick, a founder and first chair of the Board of Trustees by naming the Excellence in Risk Management Award, the Fund's pinnacle safety award, after her:

This award is established in loving and respectful memory of Betty Hardwick, whom we lost this past year. Mrs. Hardwick always evangelized the virtues of a safe workplace, good risk management practices, and delivery of quality services in community MHMR center operations. She would be most proud of this and all future recipients of this award. (excerpt from the 2001 TCRMF Annual Report)

Two other founding members and important leaders in the Fund were also recognized in 2008 by naming the Liability and Workers' Compensation awards. The Dick DeSanto Excellence in Liability Loss Prevention was established in recognition of his founding role and service as Advisory Committee Chair from 1988 to 2002. The William E. Hall Excellence in Workers' Compensation Loss Prevention award was established in recognition of his founding role as Trustee from 1988 to 2005 and as Board Chair from 1997 to 2005.

The TCRMF Safety Awards

for 2019 – 2020 are:



Dick DeSanto Excellence in Liability Loss Prevention

Center for Life Resources

Outstanding Achievement in Liability Loss Prevention

Heart of Texas Region MHMR Center

Outstanding Achievement in Liability Loss Prevention

Starcare Specialty Health Systems

Outstanding Achievement in Vehicle Fleet Safety

Central Counties Services

William E. Hall Excellence in Workers' Compensation Loss Prevention

Pecan Valley Centers for Behavioral and Developmental Healthcare

Outstanding Achievement in Workers' Compensation Loss Prevention

Camino Real Community Services

Outstanding Achievement in Workers' Compensation Loss Prevention

Spindletop Center

Betty Hardwick Overall Excellence in Risk Management

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The Fund's Risk Control and Risk Management Consultants stand ready to help you reduce claims and help your center move into the winner's slot. Contact Richard Wigzell at richard.wigzell@sedgwick.com if you want more specific information about how your center fared in the calculations.