

Driving health equity

No matter your background, all Victorians should have access to health services. This category recognises an organisation or program that works to support Victorians facing greater barriers to health and wellbeing, including people with disability, people on low incomes, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Victorians, people from culturally diverse backgrounds, those living in regional/rural areas and LGBTIQ+ Victorians.

Key dates

Tuesday 14 September 2021	Nominations open at 10:00am AEST
Friday 1 October 2021	Nominations close at 6:30pm AEST
October/November	Nominations assessed
December	Finalists announced
Early 2022	2021 Victorian Health Promotion Awards event

Entry requirements

- Most of the work associated with the nomination must have been completed between **1 July 2019 and 30 June 2021**.
- All entries must relate to organisations, initiatives and/or individuals doing work that benefits the health and wellbeing of the Victorian community through health promotion.
- Health promotion is the act of supporting governments, communities, and individuals to cope with and address health challenges to prevent disease and to improve health and wellbeing. We're looking for projects that improve physical and mental health by tackling issues such as access to healthy food, keeping communities active and bringing people together to prevent loneliness and social isolation. We're also interested in projects that have helped to reduce harm from things like alcohol, junk food, drugs, smoking and gambling.
- We won't be considering initiatives/projects that prevent or treat specific diseases or addictions.
- The judges' decision will be final.
- The entrant acknowledges and agrees that VicHealth may reproduce, broadcast and communicate materials submitted for the purpose of promoting the award.

Assessment criteria

Entries will be judged on the following:

Criteria for Improving health equity
Info we need from you

- **Summary (max. 150 words / max. 1 min)**
 - In your summary, tell us:
 - Why are you nominating this organisation or project in this category?
- **Project description (max. 250 words / max. 2 mins)**
 - Tell us about your project including:
 - What you aimed to achieve?
 - How did you do it?
 - How your project supported people facing greater barriers to health (ie. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, Victorians with disability, the LGBTQI+ community, people with a culturally diverse background, live in regional and rural areas or somewhere devastated by bushfires)
 - Whether you worked in partnership with other organisations?
 - What was the budget of your project?
- **Outcome (max. 250 words / max. 2 mins)**
 - In your outcome, tell us:
 - How many people participated or were reached?
 - What impact did the project have on the community?
 - How did you measure success?
 - How will this work continue into the future?

How to enter

- **Submit your nomination online at <https://awards.vichealth.vic.gov.au/>**
- All nominations must be submitted through the online platform.
- Nominations can either be:
 - Written (through the online platform)
OR
 - Video (recorded on your device (camera, smartphone, tablet etc) then uploaded on the online platform)

Need more information?

- **Website <https://www.vichealth.vic.gov.au/awards>**
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