

# World Health Organization Belfast Healthy City Awards 2015

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**Does your organisation work towards improving the health and wellbeing of the people of Belfast?**

The World Health Organization (WHO) Belfast Healthy City Awards 2015 will recognise excellence in improving the health and wellbeing of the people of Belfast. This is a significant opportunity for your organisation to gain recognition for its hard work.

The awards will be made in four categories and are open to all sectors, including statutory, voluntary, academic, community and private. More information about each category is overleaf.

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Full terms and conditions and an application pack are available at [www.belfasthealthycities.com](http://www.belfasthealthycities.com) and can be supplied in hard copy on request.

This will be the third year in which the World Health Organization (WHO) Healthy City Awards have been presented. A short film about last year's awards is available [here](#)



**Closing Date**

**Wednesday 21 October 2015**

# WHO Belfast Healthy City Awards 2015 Categories

## Promoting Health Equity

This award will highlight programmes and activities that aim to tackle inequalities in the city including addressing issues such as: socio-economic deprivation; fuel poverty; food poverty; the needs of vulnerable and marginalised groups; health promotion initiatives and tackling age or lifestyle related inequalities.

Applications are encouraged from initiatives that demonstrate health equity is about creating conditions and providing services that enable people of all ages and backgrounds to fulfil their potential.

## Healthy Places

This award will be presented to a programme or initiative that has significantly contributed to supporting good health through creating supportive and healthy places for people.

Healthy Places focuses on how planning, transport and regeneration affect people's lives, their health and wellbeing and how this shapes disadvantage and inequalities. Applications are encouraged from initiatives that aim to explore and demonstrate how 'people' oriented planning and design can contribute to health and equity, while also supporting the environment and the economy.

## Healthy Living

This award will recognise achievement in healthy living; leisure and sporting activities including dance; active and healthy travel including cycling and walking initiatives; volunteering; and heritage and environmental programmes.

Healthy Living focuses on initiatives that encourage and enable people of all ages to live healthier lives and actively participate in society. Applications are encouraged from initiatives that explore and demonstrate how being physically and/or socially active contributes to healthy and cohesive communities as well as good individual mental and physical health and wellbeing.

## Engaging for Change

This award will focus on projects or initiatives that work directly with people to empower them to take control of improving their own health and wellbeing. Initiatives will demonstrate the application of active engagement processes to involve and retain participants. They will show how they make use of the assets that exist to improve health within the community and are likely to have involved collaboration or partnership approaches.

Programmes could include those that encourage better understanding and use of health systems or increased self-management of conditions, as well as those, which support people to choose healthy lifestyles or improve their living conditions. Applications are also encouraged from initiatives that build capacity and improve leadership for health and wellbeing at a community level.

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Finalists from each category may be asked to host a site visit

Awards will be presented at a high profile conference in Belfast in November 2015  
(date to be confirmed)