



# Nominations open for David Bland Memorial Award

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In 2005, David Bland, a vocational rehabilitation counsellor and HSA member from Richmond Mental Health, was murdered at his workplace by a former client. His tragic death served as a sombre reminder that more needs to be done to prevent violence incidents in the workplace and protect health care workers on the job.

To honour David, the HSA board of directors has established the David Bland Memorial Award which recognizes HSA members who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in the area of occupational health and safety and who have made a meaningful difference in the lives of their fellow HSA members.

Do you know a current HSA member who has:

- if~ demonstrated leadership in the area of occupational health and safety,
- if~ served as an effective role model and advocate for other HSA members at their facility with respect to occupational health and safety issues, and
- if~ taken initiative on a specific local issue in order to improve the health and safety of other HSA members at their workplace?

If so, please complete the [application form](#) and return it to the HSA office by Friday, March 2, 2007.

Nominations will be reviewed by a committee of the Board and will be announced at Convention.

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