

**Nomination Letter for Casey Neathway for the EHFC Environmental Health Leadership Award
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Dear EHFC Chair and Nominating Committee,

We would like to nominate Casey Neathway for the Environmental Health Leadership Award. Casey has worked in Environmental Public Health for over 15 years. He has led and supported teams at both the employer and volunteer organization level for the majority of his career. Through his work with the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors (CIPHI), Casey has demonstrated exceptional leadership skills and we can confidently say that he embodies all the qualities that this award represents.

Casey consistently demonstrates outstanding leadership qualities to inspire excellence and professional integrity in the field of Environmental Public Health. He has demonstrated a commitment to leadership, trust, and courage in the field of public health through his current role as Director of Regional Health Emergency Management and Environmental Public Health Services with the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA). Prior to this role, Casey was the Regional Manager for the FNHA for over seven years. His graduate level certificates in Public Health Strategic Communication and Public Health Leadership (Concordia University College of Alberta), and Climate Change and Health (Yale University) along with his work experience have honed his skills in communication, coaching, leading team projects, and allowed him to become an effective leader and mentor to those around him.

Casey has volunteered with CIPHI throughout the years, contributing as a BOC Examiner and the CIPHI BC/YT Branch Newsletter Editor. More recently, he has pursued leadership roles within CIPHI as the CIPHI BC/YT Branch President-elect (2017), CIPHI BC/YT Branch President (2018-2020), CIPHI National President-elect (2020-2022), and through to his current role as the CIPHI National President. Casey has engaged in leadership at both the National and Branch levels of CIPHI, and to this day continues to lead, inspire and encourage the National Executive Council, the Board of Certification Council, the Council of Professional Experience, and CIPHI members in upholding and promoting the profession and the institute.

Casey inspires those around him with his dedication and positive attitude. Whether leading a team or collaborating with others, Casey has the ability to create a positive environment where discussions can occur that will lead to informed decision-making. In addition to being a skilled problem solver, Casey is deeply committed to fostering diversity and inclusivity. He consistently promotes equity and equality in everything he does, creating an environment where everyone feels valued and respected, including colleagues and clients. Through his work, Casey has had significant experience in relationship building and community engagement.

Overall, Casey exemplifies what it means to be a transformational leader. His influence extends in all of his activities, positively impacting his employer, CIPHI, and the field of environmental public health. At the global level, Casey has represented CIPHI as the National President and collaborated with other organizational leaders through participation at the upcoming International Federation of Environmental

Health conference planning. It would be an honor to see Casey recognized as a recipient of the Environmental Health Leadership Award, as he truly embodies the spirit of this prestigious accolade.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kelsie Dale and Natalie Lowdon