

Perry Gottesfeld Honored by the REACH AWARDS

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The biennial **Recognizing Excellence Around Champions of Health (REACH) Awards** recognize those who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership and commitment in the field of disease elimination. From boots-on-the-ground innovators to local community health workers, the REACH Awards aim to celebrate critical contributions from those on the front lines of disease elimination.

It is our great pleasure to share with you that **Perry Gottesfeld, our ICOH TUBERCULOSIS (TB) Subcommittee Co-Chair**, has been named one of the honorary game-changing innovators for his work in reducing silica exposures in the workplace to reduce TB at the REACH Awards for Global Health. (See: <https://www.reachingthelastmile.com/reach-awards/finalists/>)

Perry was nominated for the **Game-changing Innovator Award**, which recognizes an individual who has developed and implemented a creative technology or practice in support of disease elimination. Here is how the REACH Award finalist page describes Perry's work: "Perry Gottesfeld is the Executive Director of Occupational Knowledge International, which he founded to address global inequities in environmental and occupational protections that have a direct impact on public health. He worked with the **International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH)** to build a broad coalition of individual experts and organizations and introduce low-cost workplace prevention measures to complement existing efforts to end the TB crisis in developing nations. He successfully advocated for recognition of these approaches at the United Nations."

You can see details of his work at <http://www.okinternational.org/> and at <http://www.icohweb.org/site/ICOH-TB-Statements.asp>,