



**AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION INVITES NOMINATIONS FOR THE  
2009 FRANK J. MENOLASCINO AWARD FOR PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES FOR PERSONS  
WITH MENTAL RETARDATION/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

The American Psychiatric Association is calling for nominations for the *Frank J. Menolascino Award for Psychiatric Services for Persons with Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities*.

The award was established in memory of Frank J. Menolascino, M.D., who was an authority on mental illness in people with mental retardation/developmental disabilities. Dr. Menolascino developed a progressive regional system of support for persons with mental retardation that now serves as a model for programs around the world. A leading advocate of education rights and community based services, Dr. Menolascino promoted programs that would allow people with mental retardation to remain in their hometowns among family and friends rather than being put into institutions.

The award will be given to honor an American Psychiatric Association member who has made significant contributions to psychiatric services for persons with mental retardation/developmental disabilities through direct clinical services and/or dissemination of knowledge in this field through teaching or research. The Frank J. Menolascino award carries an honorarium of \$500 and will be presented at the opening session of the APA Institute on Psychiatric Services in October 2009.

**Nominations must be postmarked by May 2, 2008** and should include **FOUR** copies each of:  
(1) A nomination letter from an APA member describing the nominee's contribution to the field;  
(2) A curriculum vitae or biographical sketch of the nominee; and  
(3) Two letters of endorsement of the nomination.

Nominations should be addressed to:

**Frank J. Menolascino Award for Psychiatric Services  
For Persons with Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities  
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