Hearst Health, a division of Hearst Corporation, and the Jefferson School of Population Health (JSPH) of Thomas Jefferson University, have created the annual Hearst Health Prize, a $100,000 cash award given in recognition of outstanding achievement by an organization or individual in managing or improving population health.

The announcement was made at the 15th Annual Population Health Colloquium in Philadelphia by Gregory Dorn, MD, president of Hearst Health, and David B. Nash, MD, MBA, dean of JSPH. The call for submissions will open in the summer of 2015, and the inaugural winner of the $100,000 award will be announced at the 2016 Population Health Colloquium.

"Hearst Health is the ideal partner in awarding this prize for excellence in population health," Nash said. "Hearst’s deeply rooted tradition of being independent, unbiased, and evidence-based, along with their proven track record of innovation, is representative of the ideals we pursue and uphold through the Jefferson School of Population Health."

As the administrator of the Hearst Health Prize, JSPH will assemble an interdisciplinary panel of judges to select the winner. JSPH is currently seeking nominations for members of the judging panel, as well as expressions of interest or nominations for Hearst Health Prize entrants. Entries are open to organizations, individuals or institutions who have demonstrated proven outcomes in managing or improving the health of a population through pioneering programs that may incorporate areas such as technology, care delivery, processes, care guidance and more. For details and submission instructions as they become available, please click here.