The Public Service Award is given in recognition of extensive and effective advocacy for prevention science and research-based programs.

This year, we are pleased to present the Public Service Award to Dr. Jeffrey Levi who is a Professor of Health Management and Policy at The George Washington University Milken Institute School of Public Health, where his work focuses on the intersection of public health, the health care system and the multi-sector collaborations required to improve health. Dr. Levi has been a long-time advocate for incorporating prevention and public health into physical and mental health research and practice.

At the end of 2015, Dr. Levi completed a ten-year tenure as Executive Director of the Trust for America’s Health, where he led the organization’s advocacy efforts on behalf of a modernized public health system, including implementation of the public health provisions of the Affordable Care Act and annual reports assessing the nation’s public health preparedness, investment in public health infrastructure, and response to chronic diseases such as obesity. He currently serves as the Chairperson of the Presidentially-appointed Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrated Public Health, and advises the Affordable Care Act committee.

Dr. Levi served as a consultant to the Institute of Medicine’s Committee on Public Financing and Delivery of HIV Care in the U.S., as well to its Committee on HIV Prevention Strategies in the United States. He also serves as faculty for the National Breast Cancer Coalition’s Project Quality LEAD, a training course designed to help breast cancer activists influence quality care in their communities and public policy processes.