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## ASQ Awards the Ishikawa Medal to H. James Harrington

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H. James Harrington of San Jose, California was honored by the American Society for Quality when they presented him with Ishikawa Medal on May 20, 2012. He was selected to receive the medal in recognition for his many contributions in promoting the understanding of process improvement and employee involvement on the human aspects of quality at the local, national, and international levels. The Ishikawa Medal is presented yearly by ASQ to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding leadership in improving the human aspects of quality.

## Highlights of Dr. Harrington's career:

Dr. Harrington worked for IBM for 40 years and then as a principal with the Ernst & Young consulting firm for another 10 years. He has also served as CEO of two very successful companies. He is a past president and chairman of the board for the American Society for Quality and international Academy for Quality. He has authored over 35 books and conducted hundreds of lectures related to performance improvement. He is presently CEO of Harrington Institute and of the Walter L Hurd Foundation..

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ASQ is a global community of people dedicated to quality who share the ideas and tools that make our world work better. With millions of individual and organizational members of the community in 150 countries, ASQ has the reputation and reach to bring together the diverse quality champions who are transforming the world's corporations, organizations, and communities to meet tomorrow's critical challenges. ASQ is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., with national service centers in China, India, and

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Note: Attached is a picture of the medal being presented to H.J.Harrington. The people in the picture starting from left to right are Rick Harrington, Jr., CEO – Harrington Group, H. James Harrington, CEO - Harrington Institute, and James Harrington – Critic for Bay Area News Group.

