The Indiana Academy of Ophthalmology sponsors a number of prestigious awards:

The **Lifetime Achievement Award** is presented to members of the IAO who have given of themselves throughout their career to advance the profession of ophthalmology and the IAO.

2015  David Alvis, M.D.
2016  Paul Honan, M.D.
2017  Eugene Helveston, M.D. and Forrest Ellis, M.D.

The **Ophthalmologist of the Year** award is granted to an ophthalmologist who has made outstanding contributions to the Academy and enhanced the profession of ophthalmology.

1992  Ralph Stewart, M.D.
1993  Duane Flannagan, M.D.
1994  Paul Honan, M.D.
1995  John Minturn, M.D.
1996  Ronald Danis, M.D.
1997  Louis Cantor, M.D.
1998  William Whitson, M.D.
1999  Ruth Goodell, M.D.
2000  William Penland, M.D.
2001  Charles O. McCormick, III, M.D.
2002  C. Kenneth Fischer, M.D.
2003  Linn Mangano, M.D.
2004  Donald Wilson, M.D.
2005  Francis W. Price, Jr., M.D.
2006  Andrew Tharp, M.D.
2007  Ramana Moorthy, M.D.
2008  William Penland, M.D.
2009  Ramana Moorthy, M.D.
2010  Louis Cantor, M.D.
2011  Derek Sprunger, M.D.
2012  Robert Larew, M.D.
2013  Yara Catoira-Boyle, M.D.
2014  Derek Sprunger, M.D.
2015  Andrew Tharp, M.D.
2016  Michael Hodges, M.D.
2017  Louis Cantor, M.D.

The **Humanitarian Ophthalmologist of the Year** award is reserved for the recognition of an ophthalmologist who has made significant contributions to the welfare of others throughout his or her lifetime and who supports the practice of ophthalmology.

1992  Robert Clark, M.D.
1993  Forrest Ellis, M.D.
1994  Matthew Farber, M.D.
1995  Dana Troyer, M.D.
1996  David Denny, M.D.
1997  Eugene Helveston, M.D.
1998  Ralph Stewart, M.D.
1999  Gerald Keener, M.D.
2002  Karen Brigg, D.O.
2004  Eric Purdy, M.D.
2005  Matthew Farber, M.D.
2006  Jonathan Walker, M.D.
2008  Daniel Robinson, M.D.
2009  Barbara Schroeder, M.D.
2010  Michael Wild, M.D.
2011  Richard Boling, M.D.
2012  Steve Gerber, M.D.
2013  Daniel Neely, M.D.
2014  Jonathan Walker, M.D.
2017  Eric Purdy, M.D.
Advocate of the Year award is presented to an ophthalmologist or non-ophthalmologist who has made a significant contribution to the promotion of quality eye care in Indiana.

1992    Sue Hetherington
1993    Joy Newby
1994    Louis Lemberger, M.D., PhD
1995    Michael Abrams & Lou Belch
1996    Indiana Lions Eyebank
1997    Scott Tarter
1999    Richard Feldman, M.D.
2000    Knights Templar of Indiana
2001    Kevin Knock
2002    Prevent Blindness Indiana
2003    Greg Wilson, M.D.
2004    Kimberly Williams
2005    Nina Pick
2006    Ralph Stewart, M.D.
2009    Tony Bennett
2010    Marilyn Glick
2011    Janae Keegris
2012    Kathy Hetzler
2017    Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch

The Legislator of the Year award is presented to a member of the Indiana General Assembly who has sought to promote quality eye care through the sponsorship of legislation or outstanding support or opposition to proposed legislation.

1992    Senator Thomas Wyss
1993    Senator Patricia Miller
1994    Representative Craig Fry
1995    Representative Vaneta Becker
1996    Representative Jeffrey Espich
1997    Representative Dale Grubb
1998    Senator Connie Lawson & Senator Vi Simpson
1999    Representative Brian Bosma
2000    Representative Charlie Brown
2001    Representative William Crawford
2002    Representative Scott Pelath
2003    Representative Craig Fry
2004    Congressman Dan Burton
2005    Representative Tim Brown
2007    Senator Beverly Gard
2011    Representative Tim Brown
2012    Representative Dave Wolkins
2013    Representative Ed Clere
2014    Senator Patricia Miller
2015    Representative Cindy Kirchhofer
2016    Congressman Larry Bucshon
2017    Speaker Brian Bosma

The President's Award is presented to deserving individuals at the President's request for either outstanding committee leadership or for other leadership activities.

1992    Charles McCormick, M.D. & Nicholas Rader, M.D.
1995    Elaine Hathaway, M.D. & John Hammond
1997    Kim Williams
1999    Eugene Helveston, M.D.
2007    Yara Catoira-Boyle, M.D. & Keith Knuth, M.D.