

# Awards and Recognition

Thomas Raffio, FLMI - President & CEO, Northeast Delta Dental

**Baldrige Foundation Award for Leadership Excellence in the Healthcare Sector** — by the Foundation for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award for promoting the Baldrige Framework and furthering the mission of the Foundation; thereby helping organizations improve their performance. (2020)

**New Hampshire 200 Inclusion** — by *New Hampshire Business Review* in the first edition of a publication spotlighting the 200 most influential people in New Hampshire's private sector. (2019)

**Lifetime of Service Award** — by City Year New Hampshire for significant and long-lasting contributions to the citizens of New Hampshire. (2014)

**Above and Beyond Award** — by the Business and Industry Association of New Hampshire. (2014)

**JDRF 13th Annual Granite Gala Honoree** — by The Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. (2014)

**Granite State Award** — by the University System of New Hampshire at Granite State College's commencement. (2011)

**Doctor of Science, honoris causa** — by Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. (2011)

**Doctor of Humane Letters** — by New England College for exemplary community service and model leadership role in education, healthcare, and the arts. (2010)

**Business Leader of the Decade** — by *Business NH Magazine* and the New Hampshire Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives for business, industry, and community leadership. (2010)

**Honorary Associate in Science Degree** — by NHTI, Concord's Community College for his leadership role in Northeast Delta Dental funding scholarships and a faculty chair in the dental hygiene program and other NHTI initiatives. (2010)

**Distinguished Citizen of the Year** — by Daniel Webster Council, Boy Scouts of America, for community service and support of scouting. (2010)

**Early Learning Champion** — by Early Learning N.H. for inspiring leadership and for bringing government and business leaders together so all children may succeed in school and in life. (2008, 2009, and 2010)

**Tom Raffio Day** — by Governor John Lynch, proclaiming November 16, 2009, Tom Raffio Day in honor of being selected as the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce's Citizen of the Year, the first time such an honor was bestowed.

**Outstanding Citizen of the Year** — by Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce for involvement in a broad array of public service organizations and projects benefiting countless families, individuals, and institutions. (2009)

**Paul Harris Fellowship Award 2009** — by The Rotary Club of Bow for the ways in which his life exemplifies the humanitarian and educational objectives of The Rotary Foundation. (2009)

**Champion for Children - Southwest Region** — by the New Hampshire School Administrators Association for distinguished public service for the benefit of children. (2009)

**Mary Stuart Gile Award** — by the New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth and Families in his role as Past Chair of Early Learning New Hampshire for showing commitment to the development of the next generation of early childhood professionals. (2009)

**Good Samaritan Award** — by Pastoral Counseling Services of Manchester, New Hampshire, in the Business and Industry category, for exemplifying the qualities of the Good Samaritan. (2008)

**Samuel Adams Community Leadership Award** — by the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) for outstanding community leadership. (2006)

**A National Best Boss 2005** — by *Winning Workplaces* and *Fortune Small Business* magazine.

**Outstanding Quality Business-Education Partnership of the Year Award** — by the Center for Schools of Quality and the Quality Education Network of the International Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) for exemplary contributions to collaborative efforts resulting in higher achievement and greater well-being for all students and their families and communities. (2005)

**Leadership in the Arts Award** — by New Hampshire Business Committee for the Arts for providing a strong example by a decade-long, extensive involvement with many cultural organizations. (2005)

**Patrick Jackson Award** — by the Yankee Chapter (Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont) of the Public Relations Society of America for the successful use of public relations principles by an individual not in the public relations field. (2004)

**Business Leader of the Year** — by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives and *Business NH Magazine* for a role in improving the oral health of northern New England. (2004)

**New Hampshire Leaders for the 21st Century** — by *Business NH Magazine* as one of six key New Hampshire leaders in the insurance industry. (2000)