

*OTA awards  
and fellowship  
programs*



The Distinguished Service Award is given to those individuals who have made notable outstanding contributions to OTA and the accomplishment of OTA's mission. Nominations are made by all OTA staff, and employees in all job categories are eligible. A rotating Employee Recognition Committee selects the recipients. The following OTA staff were honored with the Distinguished Service Award for 1993:

- Pidge Chapman, Division Administrator, Industry, Commerce, and International Security Division
- Mary Lou Higgs, Manager, Publishing Services
- Vincent McCall, Systems Technician, Telecommunications and Information Systems

**OTA Reports Recognized as Notable**

In May 1993, the American Library Association's Government Documents Round Table announced their list of Notable Government Documents for 1992. Of the 20 Federal government documents recognized, four were OTA reports:

- *After the Cold War: Living with Lower Defense Spending, Industry, Technology and Employment Program*, Kitty Gillman, Project Director
- *Biological Rhythms: Implications for the Worker, Biological and Behavioral Sciences Program*, David I. Iiskowsky, Project Director
- *Testing in American Schools: Asking the Right Questions, Science, Education, and Transportation Program*, Michael Feuer, Project Director
- *U.S. Dairy Industry at a Crossroads: Biotechnology and Policy Choices, Food and Renewable Resources Program*, Mike Phillips, Project Director

The Government Documents Round Table selects those documents they consider to be the best of the government information sources produced in the previous year. These documents "expand

our knowledge, enhance the quality of life, and/or contribute to an understanding of government. "

### **Blue Pencil Awards**

The National Association of Government Communicators conducts the Blue Pencil Competition as an annual recognition of outstanding government communications projects and producers. Entries are judged on writing, editorial content, layout and design, achievement of purpose and cost effectiveness. This year three OTA reports were recognized in the competition:

- Cystic Fibrosis and DNA Tests: Implications of Carrier Screening, Biological and Behavioral Sciences Program, Robyn Nishimi, Project Director, First Place, Books for a Technical Audience Category
- Testing in American Schools: Asking the Right *Questions*, Science, Education, and Transportation Program, Michael Feuer, Project Director, Second Place, Books for General Audience Category
- *Evaluation* of the Oregon Medicaid Proposal, Health Program, Elaine Power, Project Director, Honorable Mention, Books for a Technical Audience Category

### **The Morris K. Udall Fellowship Program**

The Udall Fellowship Program is awarded to up to six individuals each year for a one-year appointment at OTA. It was established in 1991 by the Technology Assessment Board in honor of Morris K. Udall, retired congressman from Arizona who served 30 years in the House of Representatives and 18 years on the Technology Assessment Board. Qualified candidates must demonstrate exceptional ability in areas needed in OTA's work, such as the physical or biological sciences, engineering, law, economics, environmental and social sciences, and public policy. Candidates must have significant experience in technical fields or management or have completed research at the doctoral level.

Fellows, 1992-93

- Lucian Hughes, Industry, Technology and Employment Program
- Thomas Vischi, Biological Applications Program

**Fellows, 1993-94**

- Dean Cheng, International Security and Commerce Program
- Betsy Gunn, Oceans and Environment Program
- Lois Joellenbeck, Oceans and Environment Program

### **Congressional Fellowship in Health Policy**

The Milbank Memorial Fund and OTA established the Congressional Fellowship in Health Policy in 1992 to be served at OTA beginning in September 1992. The program seeks candidates with substantial training and experience in research and strong interest in health policy. The fellowship provides an opportunity for an individual of proven ability, and considerable promise to work with OTA researchers to assist Congress in its deliberations of science and technology issues affecting our Nation's health policy and to gain a better understanding of the ways in which Congress establishes national Policy related to these issues.

The Fund and OTA invited applications from individuals who have demonstrated ability in research on issues of health policy. Applicants should have doctorates in the social sciences or related areas or have terminal scientific or professional degrees and considerable training in research using the policy sciences

**Fellow, 1992-93**

- Sean Tunis, Health Program

**Fellow, 1993-94**

- Gerard Ferguson, Biological and Behavioral Sciences Program