



## About the Dr. Murray Feingold Distinguished Service Award

*The Dr. Murray Feingold Distinguished Service Award* is named after the late Dr. Murray Feingold, Founder and President of The Genesis Foundation for Children and The Feingold Center for Children. A clinical geneticist and pediatrician for patients with complex genetic disorders for over 50 years, Dr. Feingold gained the admiration and respect of his colleagues in the medical field across the country. Not only a revered geneticist, Dr. Feingold was a consummate fundraiser, and because of his tireless efforts through The Genesis Foundation, he raised tens of millions of dollars to dramatically improve the lives of thousands of children. In addition to authoring two books and nearly 200 medical articles, Dr. Feingold was the Medical Editor for WBZ TV and was an innovator of using television as an outlet for information on family medicine. Later Dr. Feingold worked with WBZ news radio and became renowned for his "Medical Minute" segment, and was inducted into the Massachusetts Broadcasters Hall of Fame in 2014. Dr. Feingold's pioneering, holistic approach for the patient and the family at the Feingold Center for Children is now considered a model for healthcare delivery for children with disabilities.

The Dr. Murray Feingold Distinguished Service Award will be given annually to an individual or organization that has exemplified distinction in one or more of the three arenas to which Dr. Feingold dedicated his life: medicine, care for children, and philanthropy, either by lifetime example or specific achievement.

The 2017 Dr. Murray Feingold Distinguished Service Award recipient is Dr. Timothy Johnson. Dr. Johnson is a Senior Medical Contributor for ABC News and one of the nation's leading medical communicators of healthcare information. Previously, Dr. Johnson was the Chief Medical Editor for ABC, providing on-air medical analysis for "World News," "Nightline" and "20/20." He provided commentary on medical problems and answers for viewers of ABC News' "Good Morning America" since the program's debut in 1975. Dr. Johnson has been a Board member of The Genesis Foundation for Children since its inception in 1982 and has been an unwavering supporter and contributor to the organization for over three decades. He personifies the essence of distinguished service in medicine and philanthropy, and The Genesis Foundation for Children is proud to honor him on the Organization's 35th Anniversary.

### **About The Genesis Foundation for Children**

Founded in 1982, The Genesis Foundation for Children provides funding for the diagnosis and compassionate, coordinated care of children born with physical and intellectual disabilities and genetic disorders. Through innovative Clinical, Educational, and Life Enrichment programs the organization is striving to accomplish its mission. Since its inception, the Foundation has funded diagnoses, care and guidance through over 60,000 patient visits to children and families around the state of Massachusetts and New England. The Genesis Foundation's vision is that all special needs children receive the care they need to maximize their potential. The Genesis Foundation primarily funds The Feingold Center for Children located at Boston Children's Hospital - Waltham, MotherToBaby (previously The Pregnancy Exposure InfoLine) and Therapy and the Performing Arts – Cape Cod (TPA). The money raised comes from individual donations, corporate sponsorships, and special events.