

MOUNTAINS OF HOPE – LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Lifetime Achievement Award is given to the Mountains of Hope member that has had 25 or more years of dedicating his or her life to cancer control and prevention.

GENERAL INFORMATION

To recognize active Mountains of Hope Members who

- (1) Have demonstrated their passion for working in the field of Cancer Control and Prevention;
- (2) Has 20 years or more working in the field of Cancer Control and Prevention; and
- (3) Helped make West Virginia great by outstanding contributions to the establishment, development, advancement, and/or improvement of the Mountains of Hope Cancer Coalition's mission and vision.

STANDARDS

- (1) RECIPIENTS MUST HAVE MADE their major contributions in West Virginia and should have had a tenure of 20 years or more as a member with Mountains of Hope. Those contributions which are considered "direct" are of greater importance than those that are "indirect".
- (2) THE QUALITY OF EACH NOMINEE presented to the Mountains of Hope Steering Committee should reflect dignity and prestige to the organization. **(It is most important that this honor maintain high standards and does not become a vehicle of favoritism.)**
- (3) THE NUMBER OF AWARDS for any one year shall be one and based on the criteria listed above.
- (4) LETTERS DOCUMENTING AND DEMONSTRATING significant information to the nominee's accomplishment are to be encouraged.
- (5) IF THE NOMINEE IS SELECTED for recognition, a color photograph suitable for enlargement will be needed. Do not send photo with the nomination.
- (6) NOMINATIONS may be made by any individual or organization in West Virginia by completing a nomination form and returning it to the Mountains of Hope Steering Committee Awards and Recognition Chairperson. **(Exception to who may nominate: No member of the Mountains of Hope Steering Committee may place a person in nomination.)**
- (7) ALL NOMINATIONS FOR ANY GIVEN YEAR must be in the hand of the Mountains of Hope Steering Committee within 90 days of the November Mountains of Hope coalition meeting.

ELIGIBILITY

Nominees for Mountains of Hope Lifetime Achievement Award should meet the following criteria:

- (1) Nominations may not be made by anyone on the Mountains of Hope Steering Committee.

- (2) The nominee may have been employed by a government agency or may have achieved his/her accomplishments individually or within the realm of the private sector.
- (3) The nominee will not be required to be a native of West Virginia. However, a minimum of 20 years of activity in Cancer-Related Public Health in West Virginia would be required. (The 20 year minimum may be waived by a 2/3 affirmative vote of the Steering Committee.)
- (4) The nominee shall be an active member of Mountains of Hope with at least 20 years.
- (5) The term "Public Health" shall apply to all phases of cancer/chronic disease integration activities. (These activities and achievements may have been performed in government, industry, the private sector, or individually.)
- (6) The Steering Committee shall convene a meeting for the purpose of reviewing nominations and selecting award winner.
- (7) The nominations for Lifetime Achievement Award must be submitted 90 days prior to the November Mountains of Hope coalition meeting. Nominees received after the annual closing date may be retained by the Steering Committee for consideration for the following year.
- (8) A nominee who is not chosen as a Lifetime Achievement Award winner may be resubmitted for consideration in the future.

REVIEW BOARD

The Review Board shall be composed of all voting members of the Mountains of Hope Steering Committee.

VOTING

- (1) All voting of the Steering Committee for induction into the Lifetime Achievement Award shall be by ballot.
- (2) The nominee will require a simple majority vote of attendees to be awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award.
- (3) A member of the Steering Committee shall be present at the meeting or by teleconference at the time of voting to cast a vote
- (4) There shall be no voting by proxy.