

MOUNTAINS OF HOPE – SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION AWARD

GENERAL INFORMATION

PURPOSE OF THE MOUNTAINS OF HOPE – SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION AWARD

To recognize Mountains of Hope members and/or member organizations that have done outstanding collaborative work significantly moving comprehensive cancer control activities forward in West Virginia.

CRITERIA

(A) THE SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION (SOC) Award will have three distinct levels:

- (1) GOLD – The recipients of the Gold SOC Award will demonstrate the collaboration/integration of their projects with the current West Virginia Mountains of Hope Cancer Plan resulting in change to policy, systems and/or environment on a statewide platform.
- (2) SILVER - The recipients of the Silver SOC Award will demonstrate the collaboration/integration of their projects with the current West Virginia Mountains of Hope Cancer Plan resulting in change to policy, systems and/or environment on a regional/county-wide platform.
- (3) BRONZE - The recipients of the Bronze SOC Award will demonstrate the collaboration/integration of their projects with the current West Virginia Mountains of Hope Cancer Plan resulting in change to policy, systems and/or environment on a local community platform.

(B) THE QUALITY OF EACH SOC AWARD APPLICATION 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.)**

(C) THE NUMBER OF AWARDS for any one year shall be five (5) or less for each level and based on merit/criteria listed above, which means the nominee has demonstrated high standards in accomplishments and merit.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- (1) SOC AWARD APPLICATIONS will be issued upon request by the MOH Steering Committee
- (2) LETTERS DOCUMENTING AND DEMONSTRATING significant information to the nominee's accomplishment are to be encouraged and attached to the award application. However, general letters merely in support of the nomination are to be discouraged.
- (3) IF THE APPLICANT IS SELECTED for recognition, a color photograph suitable for enlargement will be needed. Do not send photo with the nomination.
- (4) 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.)**

- (5) ALL APPLICATIONS 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.

REVIEW BOARD

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

SCORING APPLICATIONS

- (1) The Steering Committee shall review the application packet to deem appropriateness.
- (2) If the application is deemed appropriate then the Steering Committee will score the application based on the criteria listed with each level of award.
- (3) The top 5 applications for each level will be awarded the Mountains of Hope - Spirit of Collaboration.
- (4) A member of the Steering Committee shall be present at the meeting or by teleconference at the time of voting to cast a vote.
- (5) There shall be no voting by proxy.