

Awards Descriptions & Guidelines

Excellence in HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis Prevention Award

Purpose: To recognize exemplary efforts in the field of HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis (VH) prevention.

Who may be nominated: Any individual, group, or organization in SC with a minimum of five years of HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis prevention efforts may be nominated for this Award.

Requirements: Please describe innovative strategies in HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis prevention that the nominee has undertaken demonstrating the ability to maximize resources and overcome barriers, as well as exhibiting the ability to strengthen and/or promote HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis prevention efforts impacting individuals, groups, or systems.

Excellence in HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis Clinical Services Award

Purpose: To recognize exemplary efforts in the area of HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis in clinical services.

Who may be nominated: Any individual, health care program/facility or laboratory in SC with a minimum of five years experience in delivering clinical services related to HIV/STDs or Viral Hepatitis may be nominated for this Award. The nominee may be a nurse, nurse practitioner, physician, and dental health professional, other clinical provider, health educator or lab technician. The nominee may also be a private or public health care facility including a physician's clinic, area hospital or medical center, a public health department or clinic, or community health center that provides clinical services to individuals with HIV/STDs and Viral Hepatitis.

Requirements: Please describe the nominee's efforts that demonstrate exemplary delivery of clinical health care services to clients with HIV and/or other STDs including Viral Hepatitis.

Excellence in HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis Care and Support Services Award

Purpose: To recognize exemplary efforts in the area of HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis care and support services.

Who may be nominated: Any individual, group, health care facility or organization in SC with a minimum of five years experience in delivering HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis supportive services may be nominated for this award. The nominee can be a social worker, case manager, mental health/substance abuse counselor/provider or other individual or group in SC whose actions are designed to maximize health outcomes for individuals, families, and communities impacted with HIV/STDs including Viral Hepatitis.

Requirements: Please describe the nominee's efforts in delivering HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis care and support services including, but not limited to, those related to the psychosocial issues (mental health, substance abuse, housing, food, employment etc.) affecting the lives of those infected with and affected by HIV and other STDs including Viral Hepatitis. These activities may include the continuum of care and support services. Additionally, the nominee may possess expertise in dealing with individual critical needs.

Outstanding Partner Award

Purpose: To recognize exemplary efforts in the area of HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis services through collaborative activities in SC.

Who may be nominated: Any individual, group, or organization in SC that has demonstrated the highest quality of collaborative efforts for at least five years may be nominated for this award.

Requirements: Additional consideration will be given to collaborative efforts that have been established for longer than five years or partnerships that encourage active community participation. Please describe activities in HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis prevention, treatment, care, and support that demonstrate a commitment to working together to deliver HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis services.

Unsung Heroes Community Recognition

Purpose: To honor courageous and exemplary local SC efforts in the area of HIV, STD and Viral Hepatitis prevention, care, and treatment services.

Who may be nominated: A volunteer or paid staff, a counselor, doctor, nurse, community educator, media professional, business owner, an individual or group ---- **anyone** striving to meet the challenges of HIV/STDs and VH at the local level may be nominated.

Requirements: Please note that more than one Unsung Hero Recognition may be awarded. Because of the many potential notable community-based efforts throughout SC, **collaboratively submitted nominations are encouraged**. The 2016 Conference Awards Team may judge more highly a nominee submitted by multiple agencies rather than a nomination from a single agency.

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