

CRITERIA AND PROCESS FOR NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF CHAMPION AWARDEE

Background Information

The Board of TGLN annually considers a deserving recipient of the Champion Award.

The first award was presented to *Hélène Campbell* in November 2012 in the presence of Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, and her parents, Alan and Manon Campbell. The second award was presented to *Merv Sheppard* in November 2013. The third award was presented to *Emile and Beth Therien* in 2014. The fourth award was presented to *Sandra Holdsworth* in 2015. The fifth award was presented to *Kim LeBlanc and Dave Allingham* in 2016. All of these individuals demonstrated outstanding work in raising public awareness of organ and tissue donation and transplantation and championed the cause. These awards were presented at the annual Board of Directors dinner.

In March 2013, the revised criteria and process for nominating and selecting the Champion and presenting the Award were approved by the Board. These are provided below.

Criteria

A Champion is an inspiration to everyone who cares about organ and tissue donation and transplantation. The Champion Award may be given annually to an individual and/or group who in the view of the Board of Directors has made an exceptional difference in organ and tissue donation and transplantation in Ontario.

The Board will consider a candidate who exhibits some or all of the following qualities who is paid or a volunteer.

- *Is committed to recognizing and celebrating the ongoing efforts of individuals , couples and organizations that promote and enhance organ and tissue donation and transplantation*
- *Exhibits leadership qualities that result in notable contributions to the cause of organ and tissue donation and transplantation*
- *Has the courage to speak up publicly about issues of organ and tissue donation and transplantation.*
- *Builds bridges between stakeholders participating in organ and tissue donation and transplantation.*
- *Takes action to help raise awareness of organ and tissue donation and transplantation*
- *Actively and enthusiastically collaborates with partners in increasing organ and tissue donation and transplantation in Ontario.*

- *Perpetuates the principles and values of Trillium Gift of Life Network.*
- *Advocates action in support of organ and tissue donation and transplantation*
- *Influences others to be active ambassadors in increasing successful organ and tissue donation and transplantation.*
- *Provides community leadership in building a culture of donation.*
- *Uses creative and innovative strategies to advance organ and tissue donation and transplantation*
- *Is a visible champion in the community.*
- *Acts as spokesperson, advocating for TGLN's mission and the cause of organ and tissue donation and transplantation*

Note: The Board will not consider as a candidate either a municipality or town, or an individual who is deceased. In addition, the Board will not nominate a candidate who is paid to do the job for which they are nominated.

Process

Each year, the process for nomination and selection will begin six months in advance of the Annual Board Dinner.

In 2017, the Annual Board Dinner is scheduled for November. The following schedule applies:

- *June Board meeting: call for candidates*
- *July Governance Committee meeting: review and shortlist candidates to present to the Board*
- *September Board meeting: vote on shortlist and select recipient*
- *September to November: order engraved award*
- *November Board Dinner: present award*

Board members are asked to provide names of candidates for consideration to receive the Champion Award, with rationale for nomination, to Suhaliya Ragunathan, by July of each year. The nominees will be discussed at the Governance Committee meeting scheduled in July, and their selected short-list of candidates will be provided to the Board for final vote on or before the subsequent Board meeting scheduled for September each year.