



2017 Myrlie Evers-Williams Institute Rural Health Champion Award

Promoting Physical Activity

in

Mississippi Rural Communities

The Myrlie Evers-Williams Institute for the Elimination of Health Disparities at the University of Mississippi Medical Center is now seeking nominations for its 2017 Rural Health Champion Award, as part of its Mississippi Rural Health Day celebration. **This year's award is focused on significant contributions in the promotion of physical activity, in rural populations. Individuals who have made notable contributions in a rural Mississippi community regarding promoting physical activity are eligible for nomination.** Most often, the work of these “unsung heroes” goes unnoticed. Please be a part of giving these outstanding individuals recognition.

A Myrlie Evers-Williams representative will present the award winner with a plaque in the community in which the recipient lives or serves. The award will be presented on Mississippi Rural Health Day (November 20, 2017) or at a time mutually agreed upon by the award winner and the Evers-Williams Institute. Additionally, an Evers-Williams Institute representative will take a photo with the award winner, which will be displayed in the Institute. The award will be announced in the recipient's local newspaper, local news media (i.e. print, radio, television), and the University of Mississippi Medical Center's news and media outlets. The deadline to nominate an individual for the award is Tuesday, October 10, 2017. To apply, please click [here](#) or visit <https://redcap.umc.edu/surveys/?s=88EP4LCM4R>

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