

Partners in Care, Partners in Hope
Family Advisory Council's Award of Excellence in Family Centered Care

The Family Advisory Council at Nationwide Children's Hospital is pleased to announce the seventh annual award of excellence in Family Centered Care.

This award will be presented to an employee, health care provider or department of Nationwide Children's Hospital in recognition of their outstanding achievement in care that reflects excellence in the core concepts of family centered care. Patients and/or family members of patients who have been treated at Children's Hospital are invited to submit nominations.

Core Concepts and Criteria by which nominees are judged:

Dignity and Respect – Health care practitioners listen to and honor patient and family perspectives and choices. Patient and family knowledge, values, beliefs and cultural backgrounds are incorporated into the planning and delivery of care.

Information Sharing – Health care practitioners communicate and share complete and unbiased information with patients and families in ways that are affirming and useful. Patients and families receive timely, complete, and accurate information in order to effectively participate in care and decision-making.

Participation – Patients and families are encouraged and supported in participating in care and decision-making at the level they choose.

Collaboration – Patients and families are also included on an institution-wide basis. Health care leaders collaborate with patients and families in policy and program development, implementation, and evaluation: in health care facility design; and in professional education, as well as in the delivery of care.

Partners in Care, Partners in Hope Award will be given at the Annual Employee Recognition Dinner and Awards Ceremony in January. Nomination forms are available in the Family Resource Center or online. **The deadline for nominations will be December 7, 2012.**

Recipients will receive a beautiful piece of artwork designed and created by a local artist with a connection to Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Selection will be by the Partners in Care, Partners in Hope Award Committee composed of patients, caregivers, family members and select staff members.

6. In a narrative heartfelt one page letter, please let us know why you feel this person or department best exemplifies the core concepts of Family Centered Care: **Dignity and respect, Information sharing, Participation in decision making and Collaboration.** In doing so, please list examples of how they have made a difference in your child's life and the life of others.

Please return your completed form by December 7, 2012 to:

Family Advisory Council Award Committee

Nationwide Children's Hospital

Family and Volunteer Service Department

700 Children's Drive

Columbus, Ohio 43205