**Library Champion Award Criteria**

The nominee should demonstrate a record of promotion and support of medical libraries and librarians, in view of the library’s role as an essential component of quality medical information resources and practices, including any of the following:

* Continually and successfully supports the library, fostering an environment where both traditional and innovative library practices can flourish.
* Supports the operation and development of the library and library staff.
* Promotes the role of the library as an intellectual center and essential component of the organization’s mission.
* Recognizes the contributions that professional librarians can make to the goals of the organization.
* Has demonstrated influence on attitudes of decision-makers who are in a position to support the improvement of library and information services.
* Provides significant financial support for library facilities and services.
* Encourages the library manager to make proposals to improve the library program and then fulfills requests for additional staff and funding.
* Maintains an adequate library staff, even in the face of drastic budget cuts.
* Provides leadership to increase the quality of library service.
* Contributes to the development, improvement or expansion of library service to the organization or community.
* Creatively applies technology in the delivery of library and information services.
* Includes the library staff thoroughly in the life of the organization, creating an environment where cooperation and open communication flow naturally between the library staff and the health care workers, all benefiting the patients.
* Works in partnership with library faculty and staff in teaching, research and/or extension activities.
* Takes a leadership role in contributing to the development of a local library or to library systems.
* Serves as a library trustee, volunteer, advocate, or friend of libraries in national, state, or local legislation, in library organizations or associations, or in communities or hospitals.
* Has a track record of supporting libraries, literacy, public access to information and the overall aims and objectives of libraries.
* Promotes public awareness and helps to build support for the library.
* Promotes the development of a program that results in a sustained increase in voluntary support for library and information services.

Send your recommendation for a library champion to the Awards Committee chair by October 15. The award will be presented by the CCML President in January.

**Colorado Council of Medical Librarians**

***Library Champion Award***

NOMINATION FORM

Date:

Nominee’s Name:

Nominee’s Address, Telephone Number and Email Address:

**NOMINATION SUBMITTED BY:**

Name:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Email:

*Please return the completed application form and any related documents to the Awards Committee chair by October 15.*

Please give examples in one or two paragraphs of how the nominee is a Library Champion. Feel free to attach any documents that would support the nomination.