The Joan Stine Award for Leadership in Tobacco Prevention and Control

**Call for Nominations Now Open until April 21st, 2021**

The 2021 *Joan Stine Award for Leadership in Tobacco Prevention and Control*will be presented at the *Fifth Annual Maryland Tobacco Control Conference: Navigating the Changing Landscape in Tobacco Control in Maryland, which will take place virtually on May 12th and 13th, 2021.* The award will be presented to an individual who exemplifies leadership in Maryland Tobacco Prevention and Control and is presented by the Maryland Department of Health and the Legal Resource Center for Public Health Policy at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law.

**Background**

Joan L. Stine is the former Director of the Center for Health Promotion, Education, and Tobacco Use Prevention at the Maryland Department of Health (MDH). Starting at MDH when smoking was still permissible inside state office buildings, Ms. Stine championed and advocated for stronger tobacco prevention and control regulation across Maryland with great success. During her time as Center Director, virtually all indoor workplaces in Maryland, including bars and restaurants, became smoke-free; the framework for the historic Master Settlement Agreement dollars coming into Maryland was established into the Cigarette Restitution Fund, as she led staff support to the Governor's Task Force to End Smoking in Maryland; the Maryland Tobacco Quitline was launched; and she established Maryland's two long-standing tobacco resource centers that have aided countless Marylanders: the *Legal Resource Center for Public Health Policy* at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law and the *Maryland Resource Center for Quitting Use and Initiation of Tobacco (MDQuit)* at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Upon her retirement from MDH, Ms. Stine has advocated for healthy parents, families, and communities through the creation of nurturing relationships during early child development. She has served as the Chair of Maryland Essentials for Childhood; a member of the State Council on Child Abuse and Neglect; a member of the Children's Justice Act Committee; a board member of the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence; a board member of the Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women; and a Circle of Security Parenting trainer.

**Award Criteria**

The awardee will be chosen based on the following criteria:

* Has spent significant time in service to the people of Maryland;
* Has taken meaningful action to reduce tobacco use at the state and/or local level;
* Has worked to improve public health through tobacco control policies, systems, and environmental change strategies;
* Has shown fairness, equity, and professional demeanor in the performance of duties.

**Nomination Process**

To submit a nomination for this award, complete the requested information and send to Megan Griest ([mgriest@law.umaryland.edu](mailto:mgriest@law.umaryland.edu)) no later than April 21st, 2021.

**Nominator Information**

Nomination Submitted by:

Nominator's Organization:

Nominator's Contact Information (E-mail Address, phone #):

**Nominee Information**

Name:

Nominee's Organization:

Nominee's Contact Information (E-mail Address, phone #):

**Justification:**

Using the rest of this page, please explain how the nominee best fulfills the award criteria (500 word maximum).