**What is the Nurse of the Year initiative?**

Nurse of the Year (NOTY) recognizes excellence in nursing. NOTY is a statewide event that recognizes exceptional nurses in Missouri and Metro East Illinois, creates awareness of professional excellence and promotes the future of nursing while helping to advance the mission of the March of Dimes.

The Missouri Chapter of March of Dimes will honor nurses who exemplify an extraordinary level of patient care, compassion and customer service. Whether serving as health care provider, educator, researcher, chapter volunteer and/or advisor — nurses play a critical role in advancing the mission of March of Dimes.

- Exceptional nurses employed in the state of Missouri and Illinois counties of Jersey, Madison, St. Clair, Clinton, Monroe, and Randolph are eligible. A selection committee comprised of health care professionals will review the confidential nomination forms and select twenty nurses to be honored at a gala event.
- To nominate a nurse from the Missouri counties of Platte, Clay, Jackson, Cass and Bates, please contact the Kansas Chapter of March of Dimes: (913) 469-3611.

**DATE OF EVENT:** October 10, 2015

**LOCATION:** Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel, 800 Washington Avenue, St. Louis MO 63101

**TIME:** Cocktails 6:00 pm, Dinner 7:00 pm, Awards 8:00 pm

**How to Submit a Nomination**

- Complete and submit a Nomination Form and return to Missouri Chapter of March of Dimes.
- March of Dimes will accept nominations from April 1, 2015 until June 7, 2015.
- Nominees will receive a Nominee Confirmation Packet that must be returned by July 26, 2015 in order to be included in the selection process.
- Nominees will be invited to attend the Nurse of the Year Awards Gala on October 10, 2015 at the Renaissance St. Louis Grand Hotel. Winners will be announced at the Gala.

**Sponsorship Opportunities Available**

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The mission of March of Dimes is to improve the health of all babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. The Nurse of the Year initiative supports this mission while recognizing exceptional nurses throughout the state, celebrating the profession, and creating awareness of the advancements in the field.