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**Cuyahoga County Community Mental Health Board  
Seeks Nominations for Helping Hand Awards**

CLEVELAND, OHIO -- The Cuyahoga County Community Mental Health Board (CCCMHB) is seeking nominations for the Sixth Annual Helping Hand Awards and The Kathleen Burton Memorial Award that recognize achievements and contributions in community mental health during 2001.

Designed to illustrate the Board's slogan - *At times, we all need a helping hand* - the Helping Hand Awards honor individuals and organizations in five categories: Consumer Involvement (a consumer or a consumer operated service); Family Involvement (a family member of a person with mental illness); Faith-based Involvement (organizations, clergy or lay persons associated with faith-based organizations); CCCMHB Agency Mental Health Program (a program operated by a CCCMHB contract agency); and Media (mass media coverage of mental health services or issues). The Kathleen Burton Memorial Award recognizes the outstanding mental health professional of the year.

The deadline to submit nominations is Friday, May 10, 2002. The awards will be presented at the CCCMHB Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon at 11:30 a.m., Monday, June 17, 2002 in the Grand Ballroom of the Cleveland Marriott Downtown Key Center Hotel. To receive a Nomination Brochure or make reservations for the Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon please contact Michael Marcellino at 216-241-3400, Ext. 304 or [marcellino@cccmhb.org](mailto:marcellino@cccmhb.org)

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