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Cuyahoga County Community Mental Health Board Presents Quarterly Provider Employee Recognition Awards

CLEVELAND, OHIO – The Cuyahoga County Community Mental Health Board (CCCMHB) presented its Provider Employee Recognition Awards for the Second Quarter of 2003 during its General Meeting on July 23, 2003. Mr. William M. Denihan, Chief Executive Officer explained, "The recipients of these awards embody the excellent work, outstanding advocacy, positive impact, and the values of integrity, accountability, professionalism, quality and caring that are displayed daily by the employees of our provider agencies."

Awards were presented in three out of the four possible categories: Direct Service Worker, Supervisory Staff and Administrative Staff. There was no recipient in the Office Support category. Second Quarter 2003 Award recipients are:

Direct Service Worker – Judy Berry, R.N., Staff Nurse in the St. Vincent Charity Hospital Psychiatric Emergency Department, for her integrity and professionalism in caring for mental health consumers, as well as serving as an outstanding consumer advocate.

Supervisory Staff Category – Richard Melendez, Residential Program Manager for the Children's Aid Society, for always preserving the children's dignity and training his staff to respond to any situation with understanding, knowledge, patience and compassion.

Administrative Staff Category – Elaine Gimmel, Director of Housing and Support Services for EDEN, Inc., for going above and beyond the call of duty and doing what is needed to help consumers realize their dream of having and keeping a place of their own to call home.