

## **Georgia Caregiver of the Year Awards NOMINATION CRITERIA**

Nominations will be taken for the following awards of those demonstrating direct service care, compassion and resourcefulness in providing long term home or community based care. To be eligible for the award, a caregiver must be currently providing care, or must have provided care within the past year.

The Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving will provide for mileage within the state of Georgia for one car, hotel accommodations for one room for one night, and 4 tickets to the Awards banquet for the State-wide winners and their family members and friends.

**Only one nomination for each category will be accepted.**

### **AWARD CATEGORIES**

#### **Family Caregiver Award**

Nominees accepted:

- Any family member providing assistance to a person with a disability, chronic illness or other condition requiring support and assistance to have a full life in the community.
- A non-relative, but perceived as family, such as neighbor or friend.

#### **Para-Professional Caregiver Award**

Nominees accepted:

- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- Therapy aide
- Home Health Aide
- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)
- Nurse's Aide/Patient Care Technician
- Direct Support Caregiver (companion/sitter)

#### **Volunteer Caregiver Award**

Nominees Accepted:

- A volunteer that has completed at least one year of service caring for an individual or individuals in a capacity that aids and/or improves their life. i.e. Hospice Volunteer, Church Volunteer, Volunteer with an Association such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, etc.
- OR
- A volunteer who has been involved in an event or situation which has made a real difference in the life of a care receiver or their family.

***All nominees in every category should demonstrate one or more of the following characteristics:***

- how this nominee exhibits exceptional compassion and dedication in their caregiving duties.
- ways in which this nominee has expanded their knowledge of caregiving skills and techniques.
- ways in which this nominee has worked to support other caregivers in the community.
- examples of why this caregiver is extraordinary.

**Deadline to submit regional winners to R.C.I. is September 1, 2012.  
Only submit one nominee per category. Submit to Gayle Alston.**

## REGIONAL NOMINATION FORM

All nominations must be received by [your deadline]

**Nominee's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

Organization (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### **Award Category (check one)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Family Caregiver Award

\_\_\_\_\_ Para-Professional Caregiver Award

\_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Caregiver Award

Please submit the completed nomination form and essay to:

[Name and Address of your Care-Net]

## Georgia Caregiver Nomination

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating CARE-NET: \_\_\_\_\_

Caregivers are by definition very special people who all deserve to be recognized in this way. When telling the story of your caregiver, try to relate anything that makes them truly stand out as an example to others in the caregiving community.

In sharing the story of the nominated caregiver, include examples of any of the following:

- how this nominee exhibits exceptional compassion and dedication in their caregiving duties.
- ways in which this nominee has expanded their knowledge of caregiving skills and techniques.
- ways in which this nominee has worked to support other caregivers in the community.
- examples of why this caregiver is extraordinary.

(You may attach letters of support from people who have first hand knowledge of this nominee's caregiving)