June 1, 2021

**TO**: MALPH and MPHA Members

**FROM:** Norm Hess, Executive Director, Michigan Association for Local Public Health

 Roger Racine, President, Michigan Public Health Association

**RE**: Joint Award Nomination – Roy R. Manty Distinguished Service

In the spirit of collaboration, MALPH and MPHA will be jointly selecting and presenting the **Roy R. Manty Distinguished Service Award.**

We are seeking nominations for individuals that exemplify this year’s theme of the Michigan Premier Public Health Conference which is ***Theme: Beyond the Pandemic, Innovative Public Health Leadership: Thriving in Times of Crisis***. This award will be presented during lunch on the first day of the conference, Wednesday, October 27, 2021at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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**Roy R. Manty Distinguished Service Award**

**This is awarded to an individual.**

It is strongly believed that the Roy R. Manty Award should remain the highest individual award given by the local public health community.

This award is created to honor the name and perpetuate the memory of Roy R. Manty in the world of public health, and especially public health in the State of Michigan, and may be awarded to any citizen in the State.

Roy R. Manty served the people of Michigan for over 30 years in the area of rehabilitation, tuberculosis, and other lung diseases, and during the last 15 years of his life in the field of local health administration within the Michigan Department of Public Health.

Roy R. Manty was a giant among dedicated public servants.  He loved life and worked tirelessly to give everyone a good life free of disability and disease. He reached many disciplines of life through his love and help to children, animals, and plant life.  His philosophy may be stated as helping the helpless, correcting the correctable, and assisting all people to fulfillment through good health.

Please complete the attached form and return it to Jodie Shaver via email to jshaver@malph.org by ***Wednesday, September 15, 2021.***