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SAGINAW COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HONORS EMPLOYEES AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Saginaw County Health Department (SCHD) wants to recognize award recipients for 2018. The awards presented by SCHD include the Employee of the Year, the Richard Calley Distinguished Service Award, Spirit of Public Health Award, and Longevity Award.

The **2019 Employee of the Year** has been awarded to **Margaret Drayton** for exemplary performance and accomplishment on the job. Margaret has been with the Department for the past 18 years as our Medical Technologist in the Laboratory. Margaret is described by her co-workers as meticulous, reliable, hardworking, and someone who takes pride in providing accurate and timely laboratory results.

SCDPH annually awards the **Richard Calley Distinguished Service Award** in recognition of an individual, organization, or business that has made a significant contribution to the advancement of public health in Saginaw County. This year's honoree is **Donald Everett**, owner of Everett Excavating and Landscaping. Don has been working on the advancement of public health dating back to the 1970s as a licensed Septic System Installer for Saginaw County. Don's subject matter expertise in septic systems not only makes him an excellent partner in environmental health's sewage program, but he has provided mentorship and training for numerous environmental health specialists for many years.

The **2019 Spirit of Public Health Award** recipients are **Jenna Bootz, Spencer Denman, Alixandria Flores-Honeman, Cynthia Mahan, and Christina Vasquez**. This award is given to those SCHD employees who embody the spirit of public service and go the extra mile in the performance of job duties and customer service.

SCHD also annually recognizes staff employment milestones for years of dedicated service to the Department. This year's **2019 Longevity Certificates** were presented to: **Leanne Brown**, Public Health Nurse; **Hilary Grundas**, Public Health Nurse; **Denver Isom**, Laboratory Assistant; **Linda Owen**,

Accountant I; and **Rebekah Willard**, Public Health Nurse; for **5 years** of service. **Longevity Awards** were presented to: **Christina Harrington**, Health Officer, for **15 years** of service; **Jamice Burns-Landrum**, Environmental Health Specialist, and **Tawnya Simon**, Personal & Preventive Health Services Director, for **20 years** of service; and **Debra D'Amore**, Public Health Nurse, for **25 years** of service.

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See attached photos
Distinguished Service Award



DSA.JPG –Don Everett pictured with Amos O’Neal, Saginaw County Commissioner/Board of Health Member; Steve Ellis, Senior EH Specialist; Christina Harrington, Health Officer; Don’s Family – Patsy Everett, Wife; Nick Everett, Son

Employee of the Year



EOY.JPG – Margaret Drayton pictured with Kari Coffey, Awards Committee Chair; Amos O’Neal; Christina Harrington

Spirit of Public Health Award



Spirit.JPG – Pictured left to right: Amos O’Neal; Alixandria Flores-Honeman; Jenna Bootz; Spencer Denman; Cynthia Mahan; Christina Vasquez; Christina Harrington

5 Year Longevity Certificate



5Year.JPG – Pictured left to right: Amos O’Neal; Linda Owen, Leanne Brown; Hillary Grundas; Denver Isom; Christina Harrington

Longevity Award



Longevity.JPG – Pictured left to right: Amos O’Neal; Tawnya Simon; Jamice Burns-Landrum; Susan Satterwhite; Debra D’Amore; Christina Harrington