



UHCAN Ohio Honors – Southeast Ohio Advocate, Susan Rogers, and 5 other Champions of Health Care

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Universal Health Care Action Network (UHCAN) Ohio honored six champions of health care at its annual event, Lend your Voice—Health Care for All, held on May 21, 2015, at the historic Lincoln Theatre. The six honorees were chosen because they enhance the consumer voice in demanding a health care system that delivers quality, affordable health care for all Ohioans.

“Building the consumer voice to make health care work for all Ohioans is our core mission,” said Cathy Levine, Executive Director of UHCAN Ohio. “The individuals and organization we honored have worked tirelessly in their communities to give voice to the voiceless.”

Susan Rogers, Director of the Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of the Ohio Valley, was recognized for building the capacity of community members to provide much needed resources to Southeastern Ohioans.

“Susan communicates effectively to policy makers in Columbus the unique challenges Ohioans living in Southeast Ohio face every day,” said Levine.

State Representative Ryan Smith of Ohio’s 93rd House District, presented Susan with her award saying, “Susan is a true champion of health and wellness reform in our state. Her efforts have directly led to real and substantial change in the communities that need it most.”

Upon receiving her award, Ms. Rogers said, “The core values and projects of UHCAN Ohio support vital health services to those Ohioans who need it most; being recognized by an organization such as this is truly humbling, and I am deeply honored.”

Ms. Rogers was joined by five other honorees from across Ohio that UHCAN Ohio recognized at their Lend your Voice—Health Care for All annual tribute event. The other honorees included:

Dru Bagley, Chair of the Columbus Westside Community Health Advisory Committee, Columbus, OH



Pictured top-bottom, Karen Rubin (OAC), Susan Rogers, Beth Tronolone, Semanhie Brooks, Dru Bagley, Judith Warren, and Evan Robinson (OAC).

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Semanthie Brooks, Director of Community Advocacy at Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging, Cleveland, OH

Ohio AIDS Coalition, Columbus, OH

Elizabeth Tronolone, Chair of the Dental Hygiene Program at Owens Community College and the Ohio Dental Hygienists' Association's Government Relations Chair, Toledo, OH

Judith Warren, CEO of Health Care Access Now, Cincinnati, OH

UHCAN Ohio is a consumer health advocacy organization working to achieve high quality, affordable health care for all Ohioans and building the voice of consumers in health care.