

Tuesday, May 19, 2021

Dear Montgomery County CSP Friends and Mental Health Colleagues,

Last Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, was a day I will remember and cherish forever!!!! I was completely taken by surprise by receiving the Dr. Robert H Miller Award. I wanted to take a moment to personally “Thank you” all for such a beautiful plaque and flowers.

The virtual event was done impeccably and held in the true spirit of recovery and advocacy. Rarely am I ever speechless, and while I don’t recall what I said, I know I was definitely emotional and felt your connection.

I am truly honored to be among the many individuals who have come before me to receive this exemplary Mental Health award and honored to have known and proudly worked alongside countless individuals in my 35 + year career whose lives have been impacted by mental illness. I consider so many of you my family and friends. I have learned to be courageous, caring, and compassionate because of all of you. Your unyielding dedication and commitment to advocacy and empowerment – humbles me every day. It is because of you all, that I am able to comfortably and openly say, that my own recovery journey continues.

The plaque reads: “.....for her compassionate commitment to supporting individual and families within the Montgomery County Mental Health Community”. I am very proud to be a part of this wonderful mental health community. Thank you to all who nominated me and supported me along the last 35+ years. I hope to continuously make you proud.

Sincerely,

Tory Bright