
2005 ASTDD Distinguished Service Award: Julie Tang, DMD, MPH

Presented by Dr. Lewis Lampiris, DDS, MPH

Nominated by Dr. Don Altman, DDS, MPH, MBA, MA

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Julie Tang, DMD, MPH, associate member of the ASTDD for the Distinguished Service Award. I have known Dr. Tang for over 12 years and believe that she should be recognized by ASTDD for her years of service to the organization - specifically for the diligence in seeing the Best Practices Project come to fruition. The project

began in 2000 and is a great resource for state dental directors. It can be used to help build infrastructure and capacity in the state, meet the Call to Action set by the Surgeon General's Report on Oral Health and to achieve *Healthy People 2010* objectives.

This has been a huge undertaking that could not have been done without the organizational skills, determi-

nation and professionalism that Dr. Tang possesses. Her attention to detail is unparalleled and her ability to work well with others is to be admired.

Dr. Tang has provided the members of ASTDD with a valuable resource and I truly believe that she deserves to be recognized for all of her efforts.

Remarks on Receiving the ASTDD Distinguished Service Award

Julie Tang, DMD, MPH

Wow! ASTDD has kept this secret well. I am surprised! Thank you so much for this award. It has been such a joy to work on the ASTDD Best Practices Project with the state and territorial dental directors, the state and local oral health program coordinators and staff, and the partners of ASTDD and oral health

programs. This recognition is really a reflection of their passion, commitment, and tireless effort.

I would also like to acknowledge key contributors to the ASTDD Best Practices Project. My special thanks to the ASTDD Executive Committee, Members and Associate Members for their commitment to promoting and

developing best practices, to CDC, Division of Oral Health for sharing the vision and funding the Project through the cooperative agreement, and to the ASTDD Best Practices Committee for steering the development of the Project and providing expert guidance.