



## **Sports Medicine Courage Award Criteria**

The Cleveland Clinic Sports Medicine Courage Award is sponsored through the Greater Cleveland Sports Commission and presented annually at the Greater Cleveland Sports Award banquet.

Submissions are accepted throughout the year via web form located on the Cleveland Clinic Sports Medicine web page. Nominations can be submitted by any individual including but not limited to Cleveland Clinic staff/employees, coaches and teachers. The recipient(s) is chosen by a committee consisting of at least five Cleveland Clinic employees the majority of which should have an association with the Sports Medicine Program.

### **Nominee Eligibility**

- Nominee should be an individual or group of individuals who have received care or treatment at a Cleveland Clinic facility.
- Nominee(s) must display some degree of courage and determination for overcoming a level of adversity including but not limited to medical condition, disability, injury or living through a lifetime of hardships.
- Nominee(s) should be a role model and inspiration to those who face challenges.
- Nominee(s) should be an active athlete prior to act of courage/determination, but does not necessarily need to return to active participation prior to being nominated.
- Nominee(s) must be willing to participate in the creation of a video describing their story as well as attending the banquet.