The Pittsburgh Regional Health Initiative (PRHI) is seeking applications for the 2013 Fine Award for Teamwork Excellence in Health Care.

The Fine awards will recognize and reward teams that are providing quality, patient-centered, care at the end of life.

The Fine Foundation, led by Milton and Sheila Fine, and the Jewish Healthcare Foundation, of which PRHI is an operating arm, established the award in 2008 to encourage problem solving and quality improvement in health care, and to foster an exceptional service mentality.

The Fines partnered with the JHF in order to fill this gap in the Pittsburgh region.

Three awards (Gold, Silver, and Bronze, with prizes of $25,000, $15,000, and $10,000, respectively) are granted to the health care teams whose efforts in health care quality improvement are exceptional.

This year, the Fine Awards will honor care at the end of life. All applications are reviewed by a national panel of thought leaders, and must provide credible evidence of sustainable quality improvement.

The award criteria and application is now available on the PRHI website, phi.org. The submission deadline is June 10. Contact barricella@jhf.org for more information.