

Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day

APPRECIATION AWARDS **Nominations Being Accepted**

The Developmental Disabilities Awareness Day Committee
now accepting nominations for the 31th annual award ceremony,

Thursday May 30, 2019, at the Niagara Falls Conference and Event Center.

This year the awards will be given in five categories:

FAMILY/CAREGIVER/ADVOCATE: *A parent, guardian, family member, or advocate who has played a significant role in enhancing the life of an individual with a developmental disability.*

SERVICE PROVIDER: *An employee, volunteer, or other professional service provider who has actively and successfully worked to develop or access programs or services that help individuals move forward in their lives.*

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD: *An individual or group working in the community that has gone the "extra mile" to help enrich the lives of people with developmental disabilities. **Particular media recognition would fall under this category, whether an individual reporter or a publication***

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT: *A person with a developmental disability who is not a professional or service provider who has made successful strides towards greater independence and has helped other individuals to do the same.*

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT: *A professional who has dedicated their career to enhancing the lives of individuals with a disability.*

NOMINATORS: **FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM AND RETURN TO:**

By email: sparkinson@personcenteredservices.com

By Mail:

Awards Committee
c/o Shauna Parkinson
2495 Main St., Suite 417
Buffalo, NY 14214

Nomination forms must be received no later than **March 29, 2019**.
Nominators may be called for additional information about the nominees.
Award winners and their nominators will be notified by April 26, 2019.

For more information, please call Shauna Parkinson at 716-294-1143. THANK YOU!

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Dear Agency Administrator,

Enclosed in this attachment are appreciation award nomination forms for the upcoming **31st Annual Developmental Disabilities Day Conference** being held on **May 30, 2019**, at the **Niagara Falls Conference and Event Center**. In an effort to maintain efficiency we are forwarding all nomination forms via E-mail.

THE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES DAY COMMITTEE IS ASKING THAT YOU PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE ENCLOSED FORMS GET PASSED OUT TO VARIOUS SITES/STAFF WHO OPERATE OUT OF YOUR OFFICES.

We are also asking you to make additional copies as needed to ensure that the word gets out that we are looking for nominees.

We appreciate your assistance with distributing this information. We also hope that you encourage people associated with your agency to submit nomination forms. It is a great opportunity to recognize individuals who work hard every day to make a difference. Those who are chosen to receive an award in one of the categories are invited to the conference and participate in a lunchtime awards presentation. The winner and one guest receive a free lunch.

We look forward to your nominations.

Sincerely,

Shauna Parkinson

Awards Chair
2019 Developmental Disabilities Awareness Conference

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APPRECIATION AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Nominee:

Nominator:

Agency (if applicable):

Agency (if applicable):

Address:

Address:

Phone:

Phone:

Category: Please check one:

_____ Family/Caregiver/Advocate

_____ Service Provider

_____ Community Service

_____ Personal Achievement

_____ Lifetime Achievement

Please give a specific description of accomplishment that fits the award category. Use the back of this form or an additional page if necessary.

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