



2017 Champions of Inclusion Award Nomination Form

Award to be presented October 27th, 2017

Our Vision

“Full participation of persons with an intellectual disability in an inclusive society.”

The New Brunswick Association for Community Living is a charitable, non-profit organization that works with and on behalf of children and adults with an intellectual disability and their families. Established in 1957, NBACL works to ensure that persons with an intellectual disability and their families can live, learn, work, participate and contribute as valued members in every aspect of community life. There are 10 local associations throughout New Brunswick. We provide supports in both official languages, throughout every region of the province. It is estimated that more than 22,000 New Brunswickers have an intellectual disability. NBACL receives roughly 200 calls per month for supports. From early learning and childcare to supporting senior families, we are there for people throughout each stage of their journey.

2017 is the 60th Anniversary of our Association. As such, we feel that it is very important to recognize the contribution that community members make toward the goal of full inclusion for all citizens. The Champion of Inclusion awards is NBACL's Premier Award and will be presented to individuals or a groups who have made an outstanding contribution to the lives of children and adults with an intellectual disability and their families.

New Brunswick is honoured to be the birthplace the principle author of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. John Peters Humphrey wrote the first draft of what would become the most important human rights document in history. Our Association, a Community Living movement, has for the past 60 years, worked to ensure that all citizens, including children and adults with an intellectual disability live, learn, work, participate and contribute in every aspect of community life. New Brunswick has been a beacon to other countries and jurisdictions around inclusive values and principals.

We know there are people who have made an outstanding contribution to the Community Living Movement and we want to pay them recognition by presenting them with a **Champion of Inclusion Award**. There will be a minimum of one Francophone certificate and a minimum of one Anglophone certificate awarded. Judging will be done by a panel from nominations received by Friday, September 8th, 2017 at 5:00 pm AST. Individuals, groups and organizations must be informed that they are being nominated and be available to attend the awards ceremony in person on the evening of Friday October 27th, 2017 in Fredericton.

Leaders in the Community Living Movement, government leaders, professionals, families, community advocates, supporters of NBACL and our remarkable keynote speaker, **Shelly Moore** will be attending the Champions of Inclusion Awards Gala.

Moore is a highly sought after inclusive education researcher, collaborator, consultant, and storyteller who has worked with school districts and community organizations throughout both Canada and the United States. She will present an all-day workshop on Friday, October 27th, will be the featured speaker at the gala Champions of Inclusion Award dinner that evening, and will lead another afternoon session on Saturday. Moore's visit to Fredericton is a partnership presentation with the Faculty of Education at the University of New Brunswick.

Categories:

The Awards are presented in 5 different categories. We encourage nominations to fall into one of the following categories:

- **Family:** a New Brunswick family that exemplifies the values and practices of inclusion
- **Recreation and Healthy Living:** a person, team, group or organization that strives to practice inclusive recreation
- **Employment:** a New Brunswick employer who has committed to inclusive hiring practices
- **Volunteer:** an outstanding person or group of people who have donated their time to inclusion and community living movement
- **Youth:** a person or group of young people who are leaders in inclusion in New Brunswick

Please be sure to indicate which category your nomination qualifies for with your application.

Criteria and Supporting Documentation:

The recipient shall have made a significant, distinct and continual contribution in the inclusion and full participation of children and/or adults with an intellectual disability in community life in such areas as: employment, recreation, faith groups, community groups, organizations and in any other aspect of the community. The nominee will also have promoted high standards and public awareness of inclusion for all. Please complete the nomination form and include the following documentation:

- Brief biographical data both personal and professional (if applicable).
- List of contributions and accomplishments to the Community Living movement.
- Other pertinent information.
- A letter of reference must also be provided.

Who is eligible:

- Individuals of all ages
- Groups
- Professionals
- Employers
- Public servants (i.e. social worker, practitioner)
- Volunteers

Please note: Current NBACL staff members are not eligible for this award.

Please complete the nomination form together with an information sheet that fully describes the contributions of the nominee keeping in mind the above selection criteria.

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Nominee(s): _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: Work: _____ Home: _____

Email: _____

Nominator's name: _____

Relationship to nominee(s): _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Work: _____ Home: _____ Email: _____

Supporting reference Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Signature of Nominator

Date

Return by email or mail to:
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* Nomination forms must be received by NBACL no later than Friday, September 15th, 2017 at 5:00 pm AST

