

BC PATIENT SAFETY & QUALITY COUNCIL (BCPSQC) QUALITY AWARDS

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

It is BCPSQC Quality Awards time! It is that time of year when we highlight the great work that is taking place throughout Northern Health. The BC Patient Safety & Quality Council (BCPSQC) Quality Award nominations will be open soon and we would like to ask for your assistance in identifying work that is happening throughout our organization for consideration in the following award categories:

There are 4 **Excellence in Quality** categories that represent the four areas of care as defined by the BC Health Quality Matrix:

Staying Healthy - Awarded to an initiative focused on preventing injuries, illness and disabilities

Getting Better - Awarded to an initiative focused on improving care for acute illness or injury.

Living with Illness - Awarded to an initiative focused on improving care and support for chronic illness and/or injury.

Coping with End of Life - Awarded to an initiative focused on improving the planning, care and support for life-limiting illness and bereavement.

Other award categories:

The ***Leadership in Advancing the Patient Voice*** award celebrates an individual patient, caregiver or family member who made an outstanding contribution to advancing the patients voice in BC's health care system. The nominee will have assumed a leadership role and will have contributed in any number of meaningful ways, including inspiring other patients and health care organizations to collaborate in pursuit of better health care.

The ***Leadership in Quality*** award recognizes an individual who demonstrates outstanding leadership in improving the quality of care. The leader may cultivate skill development in other to improve safety and quality of care, inspire colleagues and/or achieve system-level aims.

The ***Everyday Champion*** award celebrates someone who shows a passion and commitment for improving quality of care even though his or her role does not necessarily specify participation in quality improvement activities or leadership responsibilities. The "Everyday Champion" sees a need for improvement and commits to change, leading by example and inspires others!

A ***Quality Culture Trailblazer*** creates an environment where staff are empowered and encouraged to innovate - an environment where teamwork and open communication are the norm and where team members work hard, but also have fun and passion while doing so.

You can read about previous Northern Health/Northern winners and runner-ups and find more information on each of the award categories on the [BCPSQC website](#)

Please submit your Northern Health nomination suggestions via e-mail to pqimteam@northernhealth.ca with a subject line of "**BCPSQC Quality Awards**". In your e-mail for the *Leadership in Advancing the Patient Voice*, *Leadership in Quality*, *Quality Culture Trailblazer* and *Everyday Champion* categories, please provide the name of the staff member you would like to nominate and a brief summary of why you believe they would be a strong candidate for the chosen category. For nominations in the *Excellence in Quality* award categories, please complete the information on the next page and e-mail the completed form to PQIMteam@northernhealth.ca If you have any questions regarding the award categories or nomination process please contact Marlene Apolczer at marlene.apolczer@northernhealth.ca

PLEASE COMPLETE AND SUBMIT BY 4:30 PM ON THURSDAY, MAY 4TH

Name of nominator: _____ Location (site or community): _____

Which Excellence in Quality award category does this work fall:

- Staying Healthy
- Getting Better
- Living with Illness
- Coping with End of Life

Please provide a short description of the work:

How long has this work been underway?

- Less than 6 months
- 6-12 months
- 12-18 months
- 18 - 24 months,
- Longer than 24 months

Please identify the scope/impact this work has had on patient care?

- Scope has been focused to one site/facility
- Work has been implemented at multiple sites within a community
- Work has been spread across the organization

Do you have measurement results for this work? (ie: were you able to identify baseline data and can you show there has been measureable improvement by implementing this work?)

Please provide a brief summary of your measurement results.