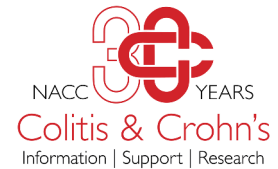


NACC Volunteer Recognition Awards 2009



NACC would not be the successful association it is without the untiring support and enthusiasm of volunteers, who have contributed an enormous amount at both local and national level over the past 30 years.

As part of our 30th Birthday Celebrations, NACC would like to recognise and celebrate the achievements of members who have made an outstanding contribution to NACC's work through volunteering.

The Awards

You can nominate individuals who you feel have made a real difference through volunteering with NACC.

There are two types of award that you may nominate a volunteer for. Please note that we have made the criteria deliberately broad in order to take into account the range of contributions that volunteers make.

Long Service and Achievement

This award is to celebrate those volunteers who have committed over 10 years of service to NACC. This is your chance to reward volunteers who may not necessarily be at the forefront of a group of activity, but whose hard work and commitment can be continuously relied on.

Special Commendation

This award is to recognise those volunteers who have shown loyalty & dedication to the needs of NACC. They will have made an exceptional contribution to the aims and values of NACC. This is an opportunity to reward those volunteers whose dedication has made a real difference to people affected by IBD

An independent panel will consider all nominations and make a decision. The panel has been specifically chosen to ensure that fair decisions are made. There will be no NACC staff members on the panel.

Because all volunteers are important to us, we will be writing to everyone who is nominated.

Where possible, all winners will be notified by mid-March 2010 as the award ceremony will take place at the Annual General Meeting in May 2010.

How to Make a Nomination

Complete the nomination form, telling us about the person you are nominating and the particular contribution they have made. You should assume that the volunteer will not be known by the judges, and it is therefore important that you include as much factual information as possible about why you are nominating them. Below we have given you guidelines to help you write the best possible nomination for your volunteer.

<p>Long Service & Achievement This award is for volunteers who have regularly dedicated their time, no matter how much or how little, for at least 10 years. You should therefore tell us about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How long they have been active as a NACC volunteer• The activities they have carried out• The difference you think they have made to people affected by IBD. <p>For example, this could be someone who has made a difference at your local Group meetings for more than ten years; or someone who has been reliable and gone that extra mile to help others.</p>	<p>Special Commendation This award is for Volunteers who have made a significant impact with their activities – they may not necessarily have volunteered for a long period of time, but what they did has really made a difference. You should therefore tell us about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What they have done as a volunteer• What difference they have made to people affected by IBD• Why this volunteer stands out. <p>For example, this could be someone who has raised large amounts of funds; someone who has raised the profile of NACC by holding awareness raising events or attracting media coverage; someone who has started a local Group from scratch and made a real difference in your local area.</p>
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Return the form to Bev Loczy, Volunteer Development Officer, at the address below or volunteering@nacc.org.uk, by **15th January 2010**.

Rules for Making a Nomination

- Volunteers can be nominated by individual NACC members, Groups, staff or Trustees. They cannot be nominated by family members, or themselves!
- You can only nominate each person for one award (not both), so make sure you choose the most relevant one.
- Nominees do not have to be active volunteers, but will have made a significant contribution during NACC's lifetime.
- Incomplete forms will not be accepted.
- Forms should be completed in type or black ink and must be legible. Illegible forms will not be considered.
- The reasons for nomination must not exceed 250 words. Submissions over 250 words will not be considered.
- The judges' decision is final