



The Qualman-Davies  
Arthritis Consumer Community  
Leadership Award 2016

## Nomination Criteria and Form

Application Deadline: August 26, 2016

The Qualman-Davies Arthritis Consumer Community Leadership Award was created in 2014 to recognize one person's contributions to helping Canadians living with the disease to be heard in decision-making processes that affect millions. That's what Ann Qualman and Jim Davies did as early pioneers in arthritis advocacy in Canada. Their tireless and selfless efforts helped millions of Canadians.

Do you know a person with arthritis who has, or is, providing leadership in the community and deserves recognition for their valuable volunteer work? We encourage you to help us celebrate their contributions by nominating them for the 2016 Qualman-Davies Arthritis Consumer Community Leadership Award.

To submit a nomination, please follow the four steps listed below.

1. Obtain the prospective nominee's consent to be nominated prior to submitting this form.
2. Fill in the PDF attached to this email. If you create a separate nomination document, please use the headings provided on the Nomination Form PDF for ease of review by the award adjudication committee.
3. Provide the completed nomination form to the nominee for their review for accuracy and obtain their signature on the document.
4. Submit the form to [feedback@jointhehealth.org](mailto:feedback@jointhehealth.org).

Each submission will be reviewed by the award adjudication committee and scored on a points system. The successful nominee and their nominator will be provided notification of the award selection by the adjudication committee chair by September 5, 2016. The award will be bestowed in person at the Arthritis Alliance of Canada's Annual Conference Gala, this year taking place on October 27, 2016 in Montréal, Québec (see [www.arthritisalliance.ca/en/](http://www.arthritisalliance.ca/en/)).

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The Qualman-Davies Consumer Community Leadership Award was created and is awarded by the following consumer/patient member organizations of the Arthritis Alliance of Canada: Arthritis Consumer Experts, Arthritis Research Canada's Arthritis Patient Advisory Board, Canadian Arthritis Patient Alliance, Canadian Spondylitis Association and Patient Partners.





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## **Nomination Criteria**

### **Significant, Sustained contributions of time and effort.**

The volunteer has worked in and is well-known in the arthritis community for many years of volunteer service in which she or he has spent considerable time and effort bettering the lives of those living with arthritis.

### **Project organization, completion**

The volunteer has successfully led or significantly participated in a project of benefit to the arthritis community.

### **Education, Exceptional contribution**

The volunteer has made an exceptional effort, including efforts over time, to educate arthritis consumers about their disease, treatment options and research. Their efforts have resulted in better-informed consumers.

### **Capable Community involvement**

The volunteer has become effectively involved in the wider arthritis community through contacts or work with patient organizations, doctors, researchers and government agencies to better the lives of those living with arthritis

### **Ideal Role Model**

The volunteer is seen by the arthritis community as a model for the role she or he plays and as a mentor by other volunteers.

### **Advocacy, Awareness, Always Willing**

The volunteer is an advocate for those living with arthritis, always aware of the implications of the changing landscape in terms of medications, treatments, government policy initiatives, research, etc. on the lives of those living with arthritis. She or he is always willing to advocate for consumers' rights and responsibilities.

### **Lasting and meaningful contributions**

The volunteer has made a lasting and meaningful contribution to the arthritis community in the manner of Ann Qualman and Jim Davies, the persons after whom this volunteer award is named.

### **Leadership**

The volunteer demonstrates leadership in all they do, whether within a patient organization or individually, or within the larger arthritis community as a consumer representative.



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## Nomination Form

Name of Nominee:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Standing as a Volunteer:

e.g.: Membership in or board member of a patient organization, individual advocate, consumer representative in an organization, etc.

Reasons for Nomination:

Please provide a one-page (front and back, approximately 1,000 words) narrative highlighting the Nominee's accomplishments using the Nomination Criteria as a guideline. To the best of your knowledge and ability, please provide examples of the volunteer's contributions. You may use the space provided on pages 4 and 5, plus additional pages if you wish.

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Name of nominator:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Position either as a volunteer or employee of an organization:

Nominator's signature:

Nominee's consent signature:

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