



In 2016 VMIAC, as the peak body for consumers in Victoria sponsored the inaugural Consumer Awards. These awards recognised the significant contribution that consumer workers have made to Victoria over the previous 20 years. More than one hundred and twenty people attended and had significant media coverage.

This year VMIAC will again sponsor an opportunity to celebrate the ongoing achievement of consumers and consumer workers in Victoria. In recognition that allies of consumers also contribute significantly to our work, we have decided to initiate and award for an ally, a person who has shown unprecedented support for the consumer movement.

The VMIAC consumer awards will consist of 6 Awards for Consumers who have made a significant contribution to consumer work, either paid or voluntary, and that raises the voice of consumers and contributes to improvement of consumers experiences in Victoria.

In addition, VMIAC will recognise the contribution of an ally by providing a 7th award.

1. Life Time Achievement Award

- Person must demonstrate a significant achievement in the advancement of consumer perspective.

2. Human Rights Award

- Person has worked with a strong Human Rights focus and has contributed to the application of these rights in the mental health sector in Victoria.

3. Diversity Award

- In addition to experience as a consumer, this person will also identify as ATSI, CALD, LGTBI or has having a disability. This person will use both the experience of using mental health services and their diversity to improve the experiences of consumers in Victoria.

4. Consumer Worker of the year (Clinical sector)

- A consumer who has worked for a minimum of 2 years in the clinical sector and has made a significant difference to the way that the service responds to the experiences of consumers.

5. Consumer Worker of the year (Community sector)

- A consumer who has worked for a minimum of 2 years in the community sector and has made a significant difference to the way that the service responds to the experiences of consumers.

6. Consumer Advisory group (clinical or community).

- The group must have been operating for a minimum of 2 years and be able to demonstrate a significant contribution to the experiences of consumers of the service.



7. Mental Health Consumer Ally

- The ally shall demonstrate a commitment to valuing consumer participation and proactively works towards enriching consumer experiences in the broader community.

Nominations close 24th August 2018

Please email nomination form and supporting documents to liz.leveridge@vmiac.org.au

VMIAC Consumer Awards

I, am nominating for

- Life Time Achievement Award. **Please complete sections 1,4 and 5**
- Human Rights Award. **Please complete sections 1,4 and 6**
- Diversity Award. **Please complete sections 1,4 and 6**
- Consumer Worker of the year (Clinical sector). **Please complete sections 1, 2 and 4**
- Consumer Worker of the year (Community sector). **Please complete sections 1, 2 and 4**
- Consumer Advisory group. **Please complete sections 1,3 and 4**
- Mental Health Consumer Ally. **Please complete section 1, 4**

I acknowledge that all of the information on the nomination for is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Signed



The awards will take place on Friday 12th October and all short listed nominees and the person that nominates them are invited to a celebratory event.

SECTION 1

Your details

Given Name		Surname	
Address			
		Postcode	
Email			
Phone Number			

Nominees Details

Given Name		Surname	
Address			
		Postcode	
Email			
Phone Number			

Is the person aware of this nomination?	
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SECTION 2

For the **Consumer Worker of the year**

Service	
Nominees Manager	
Contact details	
Is their employer aware of this nomination?	

SECTION 3

For the **Consumer Advisory Group award**

Service	
Service Manager	
Contact details	
Is the service aware of this nomination?	



SECTION 4

How do you know this person or CAG or Ally and their work?

Why are you nominating this person or CAG or Ally?

Anything else about the person or CAG or Ally you think we should know?



SECTION 5

For the **life time achievement award** please provide referee details of at least 2 other people, and attach letters of support.

Person 1

Given Name		Surname	
Address			
		Postcode	
Email			
Phone Number			

Person 2

Given Name		Surname	
Address			
		Postcode	
Email			
Phone Number			

SECTION 6

For the **human rights award** and **diversity award** please provide referee details of at least 1 other person and attach a letter of support.

Given Name		Surname	
Address			
		Postcode	
Email			
Phone Number			



For the **Consumer Advisory Group award**, please provide names of all CAG members that have been active or substantially contributed to the work of the CAG over the past 2 years.

Please provide any other information that would support your nomination. These may include reports, other awards received, newspaper or journal articles.



Please note if your nomination is shortlisted we will request a photograph for publicity purposes.

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