



GILLES DEMERS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ANIMAL CARE

2026 Award Nomination Form

This award, named for the late Dr. Gilles Demers, a long-time assessment director at the CCAC, recognizes outstanding individuals who have made exceptional contributions to their institutional animal care and use programs, who uphold high ethical standards and practices, and actively champion the CCAC program within their organization. Nominees can include animal health technicians, animal care committee coordinators, community representatives, facility coordinators, and veterinary assistants.

Information About the Nominee

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Professional Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Has the nominee been informed of the nomination? YES NO

Information About the Person Submitting the Nomination

(for notification of award)

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Professional Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please return this form along with your responses to the five nomination questions on page 2 of this document.

Nomination Questions

In five (5) pages or less, please provide a typed response to all of the following questions:

1. How has the nominee demonstrated a sustained contribution to ethical animal care and use (including the Three Rs) by going above and beyond throughout their professional career?
2. How has the nominee demonstrated their commitment to ethical animal care and use through their volunteer service?
3. How has the nominee demonstrated a significant contribution to the CCAC? What roles have they played? (e.g., committee/subcommittee/working group, animal care committee, institutional engagement, assessment panels, training initiatives, ad hoc projects)?
4. How has the nominee demonstrated their commitment to empowering and uplifting others, particularly in the areas of equity, diversity, and inclusion?
5. How does the nominee meet the objectives of this award?

No cover letters or additional materials will be accepted as part of the nomination package or included in the evaluation of the nominee. All responses must be typed, in an 11-point font, and in PDF format.

Nomination packages must be received by **March 1, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. EDT** to be considered for the 2026 award. Please send completed nomination packages to the CCAC at nominations@ccac.ca (nominations will be accepted by email only).

The CCAC values diversity in experience, backgrounds, knowledge, cultures, and skills. We therefore encourage award nominations for all members of our community that meet the above criteria. Please note that current members of the CCAC Board of Directors, as well as past or active members of the CCAC Secretariat **are not eligible** for this award.