

Community Service Award
2011 Individual Nominee

Elizabeth Holcomb, RN

Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Community Mental Health

Elizabeth Holcomb has worked in nursing for over 45 years, worked at the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham for the past 26 years and continues to work there as the current Recipient Rights, Access and Medical Records, and Quality Customer Service Director. She supervises each of these departments and often assists consumers directly, seeing that their needs and complaints are addressed.

Ms. Holcomb has helped to mentor and promote the use of Peer Support Specialists within the agency and she has done so in creative and innovative ways by providing many training opportunities so that the Peer Support Specialists can work with consumers and other staff members.

She is a true advocate for all consumers of the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties. She has been instrumental in many outreach efforts, and promoting the quality of services provided. Because of her leadership Ms. Holcomb has helped make the agency she serves one of the leading mental health agencies in the state.

Even though she is the Director of several departments, she always has an open door policy always taking the time for open discussion with her employees. She is able to give her employees the freedom to do their jobs in their own way and is always encouraging them to grow.

Through Liz's compassion, leadership, and example she has taught many individuals about mental illness and how it affects people. Many consumers have learned from her that they are more than their mental illness and that they have much to offer.