



ALBERTA ASSOCIATION
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VIVIEN LAI CHANGE MAKER AWARD 2025 INNOVATION IN HOUSING, CONTINUING CARE, OR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Vivian Lai had a long career with the Alberta Government in planning and policy development that shaped the continuing care system. She worked to ensure that Alberta's Continuing Care System focused on quality of life for staff and Albertans needing care. She was a committed and influential member of AAG, having served as President of the Edmonton Chapter and the Alberta Board. Vivien was a visionary leader on the Alberta Association on Gerontology's (AAG) Future Policy Forum/Culture Change Project and Stakeholder Collaborative Committee initiatives where she sought to foster a culture and community conducive to change. Her contributions will have influence on the evolution of continuing care and health aging in Alberta, as well as on those individuals who had the honor of working alongside her on many projects and initiatives.

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD:

The purpose of this award is to recognize individual or team merit in support of Alberta's transformative journey in community social/health services integration. The Vivien Lai Change Maker Awards were developed as part of the work undertaken by the Alberta Association on Gerontology's (AAG) Future Policy Forum/Culture Change Project and Stakeholder Collaborative Committee. The recipient(s) receives a certificate and will be featured in the AAG website "New and Views". Nominees who are not recipients will receive a certificate of recognition.

CRITERIA:

The criteria which will be used to assess nominations include one or both of the following:

Innovations:

- Implementing Culture Change for person-centered practice or delivery, focused on meaningful engagement with older Albertans making a difference in the individual's quality of lived experience, appreciating differences, and creating an age positive culture including integrating family caregivers into practice.
- Developing new staffing or education models that create both quality of life for individuals and family care partners and work with meaning for staff and/or expand education programming closer to students in collaboration between educators and providers.

Other Criteria:

- Demonstrate collaborative engagement—cross-sectoral initiative; multi-party implementation; citizen engagement.
- Development based on knowledge mobilization as well as integration of evidence and experiential insights.
- Clarity of intent and impact measures.

- Nominees should be **front-line transformational leaders or service and support/service development teams**, rather than senior organization administrators.

NOMINATIONS:

- Nominations consist of a completed Nomination Form and two (2) letters of support.
- Nominees from rural, urban settings, small and large organizations are encouraged.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Recipients of the Vivien Lai Change Maker Awards will be announced at the Annual General Meeting, and will appear in *AAGmag*, and AAG website.

Completed Nomination Form and 2 Letters of Support must
submitted by email to info@albertaaging.ca by no later than **Friday, April 11, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m.**



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IMPORTANT: If this is a team nomination, fill in the team's name and include individual team members' names on the following page.

Nominee Information

Name of Individual or Team: _____ Date: _____
 Last First M.I.

Address: _____
 Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City Prov Postal Code

Phone: _____ Email _____

Does the nominee agree to their nomination? Yes No

(NOTE: Verbal agreement is accepted when the term "Yes" is used).

Nominator Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
 Last First M.I.

Address: _____
 Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City Prov Postal Code

Phone: _____ Email _____

Signature of Nominator: _____

On a separate page, please outline the significant contribution(s) that you believe this individual, or team has made to service delivery that addresses the award criteria:

- Description of the innovation in housing, continuing care, or residential services.
- Identify whether the innovation meets one or both criteria:
 - Implementing Culture Change for person-centred practice or delivery, focused on meaningful engagement with older Albertans making a difference in the individual's quality of lived experience, appreciating differences, and creating an age-positive culture including integrating family caregivers into practice.

- Developing new staffing or education models that create both quality of life for individuals and family care partners and work with meaning for staff and/or expand education programming closer to students in collaboration between educators and providers.
- Describe how the innovation is based on knowledge mobilization as well as integration of evidence and experiential insights.
- Describe the intent and impact of any measures related to the innovation.
- Identify how the nominees meet the criteria of being **front-line** transformational leaders or service and support/service development teams.

For Team Nomination, please identify team members and if they agree to the nomination, and to have their name/photo published in the AAGmag newsletter and on the AAG website. Agreement for publication will be confirmed prior to publication.

Team Member Names	Agree to Nomination	Agree to Publication of Name/Photo

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