

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



The Elaine M. Hill Award

For Distinguished Volunteer Service



UNC Health Care has a rich tradition of community service, innovative health care technology and leadership in medical research.

But the most telling aspect of any medical facility is the care and consideration given to its patients. Volunteers have played a significant role in building and maintaining the institution's reputation for a caring environment.

In fact, the volunteer spirit pre-dates the opening of N.C. Memorial Hospital in 1952. Some 190 volunteers banded together the preceding summer in Chapel Hill to stamp linens, roll bandages, sew, and collect books for a library in preparation for the first patient.

This commitment to serving others grows stronger each year. Today, more than 2,000 UNC Health Care volunteers – adults, university students, and junior volunteers – touch the lives of patients and their families through a variety of invaluable services.

The Board of Directors established the Distinguished Volunteer Award in recognition of the important contributions volunteers have made and continue to make in the life of the institution. This year's award will be presented to a particularly meritorious adult volunteer in April at the Volunteer Recognition Luncheon in Chapel Hill.

Elaine M. Hill

Elaine M. Hill was one of the volunteers who served refreshments during the opening of the hospital in 1952. From that day forward, she was active in the UNC Health Care volunteer program – first as a volunteer and from 1967-1990 as director of volunteer services.

During her years of service, Elaine Hill exemplified the heart and soul of the volunteer spirit of caring. Her commitment to excellence in patient care and service makes her one of the true heroes of this institution.

In recognition of her leadership, in 1990 the UNC Health Care Board of Directors approved naming the annual distinguished volunteer award in her honor.

Eligibility

Any active or retired adult UNC Health Care volunteer is eligible for nomination.

Criteria

Nomination should be based on the following criteria:

- Dedication to UNC Health Care and commitment to its ideas and values.
- Service exemplary of putting others before self.
- Concern for the physical and emotional well-being of patients and their families.
- Sensitive, empathetic, and caring approach to the volunteer task, whether work involves direct patient contact or operational/administrative responsibilities.

Nominations

Nominations may be made by any member of the UNC Health Care family, including Hospitals and School of Medicine employees, members of the medical staff and house staff, and volunteers.

Complete the accompanying Nomination Form and mail or email it to the address shown on the back of the form.

All applications must be received by March 21.

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NOMINATION FORM

Name of Nominee _____

Service Area _____

Person Submitting Nomination _____

Email Address _____

Department Phone _____

Please explain in a short essay how the nominee meets the award criteria. Cite specific examples related to pertinent criteria. Where appropriate, statements of support may be included.

Save this completed form on your PC, (or complete by hand) then either:

1. Print/copy form and essay and Mail to:
The Elaine M. Hill Award for Distinguished Volunteer Service
Volunteer Service Department
101 Manning Drive
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Or, if completed electronically:

2. Attach the saved form and your essay to an email and send to:
volsvcs@unch.unc.edu