



Peter Davis Smith, MD

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2008 NECHA PRESIDENT'S AWARD

As a member of NECHA, you have an impressive intellectual curiosity. As a clinician, you are closely tuned into students whose issues are not entirely mainstream. You are a generous mentor to others and a natural community builder. Your many accomplishments, however, do not fully illustrate your style. People think of you as a charming and personable collaborator with college health colleagues, students and staff.

As a health care provider of young adults, you are tuned into issues relating to the young developing adult, including those who feel disenfranchised by the health care system. At Wesleyan University, you thoughtfully put together a student group to address gender issues relating to health care, health care forms, and gender-restricted visits. Along with Joyce Walter, you authored a thoughtful piece titled, "Improving Services to Transgender Students, Improving Services to All Students", for the *Student Health Spectrum*.

A member of the Wesleyan's Health Service since 2000, you have served the University well. Your commitment to programming for the clinical medicine section at both the regional and national level is to be commended. Your ability to 'make it happen' with a single phone call is nothing short of heroic.

On behalf of the New England College Health Association, I am pleased to present to you, the 2008 NECHA President's Award.

Byrant Ford, PhD
President, NECHA 2007-2008