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**STATEWIDE COALITION RECOGNIZES QCC ABE STAFF
Local Woman Wins Outstanding Support Staff Award**

Boston, MA: Adult basic education creates a pathway to success leading people to better jobs, higher education and civic participation. Staff like Jacqueline Lynch from the Adult Community Learning Center of Quinsigamond Community College work with adult learners to help them succeed. Jacqueline is this year's recipient of the Massachusetts Coalition for Adult Education's (MCAE) Outstanding Support Staff Award.

"I consider it a great privilege to recognize Jacqueline for her outstanding contributions to adult basic education," said Kenny Tamarkin, MCAE's Executive Director.

Jacqueline Lynch, who lives in Marlboro with her family, is the Administrative Assistant at the Adult Community Learning Center of Quinsigamond Community College. She is sensitive, considerate, hard-working, decisive, and modest. "She knows all the details of the program's operations; she is the master mind of the Center's organization," said Maria Kefallinou, Program Manager from Quinsigamond Community College. "Being a wonderful teacher herself, she is a great resource and support to all the teachers in the program." Her students are so motivated by her that they come to school 1.5 hours earlier to work on the computers, to do their assignments online and be ready for class. She is proficient in technology helping all students and being a resource to all the teachers and staff.

Jacqueline is a person who helps others. In 2005, when Katrina hit Louisiana, Jacqueline left her family and work for 2 weeks to volunteer her time, her enthusiasm and her skills to help people in need there. In addition, while working very hard many hours every week, she made the time to finish her Masters in Education.

Jacqueline does all this work with a smile and a wonderful attitude. The program staff and students are grateful she is working with them.

The Adult Community Learning Center of Quinsigamond Community College offers free non-credit adult basic education, pre-GED, GED and English for Speakers of Other Language courses. For more information regarding the Adult Community Learning Center visit <http://cce.qcc.mass.edu/college/zcustom22.asp>.

MCAE is the statewide organization for practitioners, adult students, individuals and organizations supporting equal educational opportunities for all adults. MCAE is dedicated to the advancement of adult education through high quality services and professionalism in the field from basic literacy and English for Speakers of Other Languages through

preparation for a high school credential such as the General Educational Development (GED) test to programs such as family literacy, workforce development, and workplace education to transitions to post-secondary education. For more information about adult basic education in Massachusetts visit www.mcae.net.

MCAE annually honors outstanding students, businesses and practitioners in adult education at the NETWORK conference each fall.

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