

[Three New Brunswickers presented with awards in recognition of their companies' growth](#)

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Three New Brunswickers received Wallace McCain Institute Growth Awards as recognition for their companies' growth, including Fredericton entrepreneur Dr. Lesley Steele, said a press release.

Steele, CEO of Vet Alliance based in Fredericton, as well as CBS Animal Hospital in Newfoundland, was awarded the prize for the 10 to 40 employees division.

According to the release she tripled the size of her enterprise in the past 12 months.

"It has been a dramatic year of growth and change for my companies, my team and myself," said Dr. Steele in the release.

"I am very fortunate to be surrounded by an amazing hardworking team that drives our success."

One of the other two winners was Billy English, CEO of Kindred Home Care in St. Stephen.

He received a prize in the over-100 employees category, and his company has employed 60 more people this year. The other is Moncton's Karim Bhibah, president of Marathon Fluids/Bos Brothers.

"He won in the 41 to 99 employees category for 150 per cent growth of his ventures, including the acquisition of a third company to concentrate his holdings in value-added wood," said the release.

English and Steele were in the same group, the seventh cohort of the Entrepreneurial Leaders Program (ELP7). According to the release their group won a \$5,000 grant to pay for speakers for their retreats

Rick Allen, CEO of Fredericton's Quality Engineered Solutions Ltd. was co-moderator for this group.

"I am incredibly proud of Billy and Lesley for their individual accomplishments," Allen said in the release. "Their drive and passion is an example to be modelled."