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## **GHA STAFF AWARDS 2009**

The Gibraltar Health Authority is once again inviting members of the public who have a good story to tell about their treatment in the GHA in the last 12 months and who would like to nominate one of the GHA's staff, or a team of staff, for an award.

Introduced in 2006, the GHA Staff Awards Programme is designed to recognise and reward the good quality of care provided by their staff.

There are 5 categories of award:

<u>PATIENT CARE AWARD</u> - to the individual/team who have made a significant and ongoing improvement to an aspect of patient care in their department the throughout the year.

<u>WARD/DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR</u> - to the ward/department for continuing to provide in providing high standards of health care services throughout the year.

**INNOVATION AWARD** - this award will be given to the individual or team who have successfully introduced the most innovative new idea in health care.

**GHA AWARD** - an award made by the GHA each year to a long serving member of staff in recognition of their contribution and dedication to health care services in the GHA over a sustained period of time.

**EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD** - to the individual GHA employee who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to their work and to the improvement of health care services over and above the normal requirements of their job in the year.

The awards will be presented to winners at a special ceremony to be held in late January 2009.

You may obtain a nomination form from St Bernard's Hospital, KGV Hospital, Primary Care Centre and Community Mental Health Unit, or you may contact the GHA on 72266 Extension 2079 and ask Jane Marzan for a nomination form. The closing date for the receipt of nominations is 10<sup>th</sup> October 2008.