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GHA TO RECOGNISE STAFF AT AWARDS CEREMONY

The GHA is holding today its 4th annual Staff Awards Ceremony at the Europa Retreat Centre.

GHA staff and their families will attend the ceremony to receive awards for their long service with the GHA and six special awards given to GHA staff in recognition of outstanding individual and team performance in 2009.

These awards have been the subject of nominations from patients, relatives or carers of patients, and GHA staff, and are in the following categories:

- GHA Patient Care Award
- GHA Ward/Department of the Year
- GHA Innovation Award
- Staff Award Clinical
- Staff Award Non Clinical
- GHA Employee of the Year

A specially convened Staff Awards Committee has had the difficult task of selecting this year's winners from the 57 individual GHA staff and departments nominated. The Awards Committee was made up of staff volunteers from the majority of the main professional groups in the GHA with a cross-section of grades being represented. The names of the award winners will be revealed at today's ceremony. The Minister for Health, Yvette Del Agua, will give the opening speech and will present the awards.

The GHA wishes to thank Triay Stagnetto Neish, Bentley Property Services Ltd, Rotary Gibraltar Ltd, Cougar Industries Ltd, Breckland Trading Co Ltd (trading as Wallis, Evans, Dorothy Perkins and Topshop), Marble Arc, Gatsby's Eating House, Alfrend Swantex, Waterfront Restaurant and Gibmaroc Ltd for donating the prizes for the individual awards. Their generosity has served to raise the profile of the awards and to enhance the value of the whole programme in a significant and meaningful way.