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GHA Staff Awards Programme

The Gibraltar Health Authority is now inviting nominations for the 2015/16 staff awards programme from patients, patients' relatives, carers and friends who have received or witnessed the provision of excellent care either to themselves or others. The programme celebrates and recognises the contributions of staff responsible for transforming lives for the benefit of our society and reinforces the importance of service, innovation, teamwork and leadership. There are eight categories and nominations must be supported by a citation detailing the care experienced or witnessed by the nominator.

The Minister for Health, the Environment and Climate Change Dr John Cortes said:

"This initiative once again provides a real opportunity for members of the public to show their appreciation to those who work in health and care. There are many more positive than negative experiences in our health service, although it is human nature to focus on the negative. The staff awards will allow those who go beyond the call of duty in their work and their approach to work to be recognised. I would encourage the public to participate in this."

The categories are as follows:

- Qualified Nurse/Midwife of the Year
- Nursing Assistant/Nursing Auxiliary of the Year
- Doctor/Dentist of the Year
- Allied Health Professional of the Year
- Innovation Award
- Support Services Employee of the Year – Frontline
- Support Services Employee of the Year – Behind the Scenes
- Ward/Department of the Year

There is also an Employee of the Year award, the winner of which will be decided by the Staff Awards Committee from the nominations submitted to all the above eight categories.



Nomination forms are available at various points throughout the Health Authority and can also be obtained from the GHA's website (www.gha.gi) or from Mrs Jane Marzan via jane.marzan@gha.gi or Tel: 20007079. Completed nomination forms should be sent to jane.marzan@gha.gi or by post to The Human Resources Department, Gibraltar Health Authority, 5th Floor, St Bernard's Hospital. All nominations must be received by no later than 26 February 2016.

Awards will be presented to the winners at a special ceremony which is to take place early in May 2016.