

News Release

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Staff and volunteers honoured at GEM and Long Service Awards

Dorset County Hospital staff and volunteers received well deserved recognition for their hard work and dedication at the 2017 GEM and Long Service Awards.

The awards are presented annually to people who have made an outstanding contribution to the hospital – Going the Extra Mile – and to those who have achieved 25 years of NHS service.

Colleagues, patients and relatives were asked to nominate hospital staff and volunteers for a number of awards to honour those who have gone over and above what is expected to make a difference to people's lives.

The winners received their awards from Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust Chairman Mark Addison, Chief Executive Patricia Miller and executive directors at a presentation ceremony held at Weymouth and Portland Sailing Academy.

Guests also enjoyed songs from DCH Players members, Dr Will McConnell and Theresa Brown.

Trust Chairman Mark Addison said: "Our awards are a celebration of the amazing contribution and achievements of our staff and volunteers.

"Staff from throughout the organisation were recognised for their incredible efforts to ensure our patients receive the best care possible. We are very lucky at DCH to have such focussed and dedicated teams.

"All the GEM Award winners, and those who were shortlisted, consistently go above the call of duty to provide exceptional service and it was an honour to present them with their awards. The awards panel had a very difficult job choosing the winners this year from so many great nominees."

The winners are listed below:

Patient Safety Award

Winner: Infection Prevention and Control Team

Runners-up: James Jupp, Consultant Gastroenterologist

Innovation Award

Winner: Ambulatory Care Team

Runners-up: Hilary Maxwell, Gynae-oncology Clinical Nurse Specialist; Stroke Unit

Volunteer Award

Winners: Peter and Heather Foster, Ridgeway Hospital Radio
Runner-up: Hilary Maxwell, Go Girls Support Group

Student/Apprentice of the Year

Winner: Abbie Roster, Recruitment Administrator
Runners-up: Jordan Spiller, Workforce Resourcing Modern Apprentice;
Rea-Georgina Tarrant, ICT Modern Apprentice Service Desk Analyst

Team of the Year

Winner: Emergency Department
Runners-up: Children's Community Nursing Team; Lung Cancer Team

Leadership Award

Winner: Stefanie Thomas, Emergency Department Matron
Runners-up: Sarah Knight, Divisional Manager; Louise Clark, Gill Faley and Isabel Hooley, Heads of Therapies

Patient Choice Award

Winner: Agnes Graja, Diabetes Nurse Specialist
Runners-up: Ben Stubbs, Consultant Colorectal Surgeon; Hilary Maxwell, Gynaecology Clinical Nurse Specialist

Chairman's Award

Winner: James Jupp, Consultant Gastroenterologist
Runners-up: Neil Johnston, Senior Finance Business Partner; Rakesh Madhyastha, Renal ST3 Doctor

Lifetime Achievement Award

Winner: John Thorne, Senior Biomedical Scientist
Runners-up: Fred Cartwright, Emergency Department Consultant; Anne Smith, Infection Prevention and Control Nurse Consultant

Long Service Awards Recipients

Alison Bromley, Consultant Ultrasonographer
Bev Tromans, Clerical Bank Administrator
Caroline White, Chemotherapy Staff Nurse
Carolyn Southam, Domestic
Carrie Ward, Abbotsbury Ward Deputy Sister
Elaine Hartley, Practice Education Facilitator
Gloria Moss, Bank, Pool and Recruitment Clinical Lead
Helen Archer, Clinical Contracts Manager
Helen Jowett, Highly Specialist Physiotherapist
Karyn Stewart-Dodd, Service Manager
Kathryn Stubbs, Maud Alex/CCU Ward Sister
Loraine Poole, Transfusion Nurse
Mary Hinchliffe, Critical Care Staff Nurse
Maureen Stoodley, Outpatients HCA
Nicola Lucey, Director of Nursing and Quality
Nicola Tutton, Practice Education Facilitator

Sarah Burrows, Fortuneswell Ward, Ward Sister
Sian Simpson, Maud Alex/CCU Deputy Sister
Sue Montgomery, Staff Nurse
Tracey Stevenson, ICT Clinical Change Assistant
Tracey Turnbull, Fortuneswell Ward Deputy Sister
Tracy Critchell, Clinical Administrator

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PHOTO: GEM Award and long service award winners gather at the end of the ceremony at Weymouth and Portland Sailing Academy.

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