



NOMINATION GUIDELINES

CONSUMER RECOGNITION

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INTRODUCTION

The ACT Nurses and Midwives Excellence Awards celebrate the distinctive contribution made individually and collectively by nurses and midwives to the people they care for. The Awards recognise the outstanding professional accomplishments made within the public and private hospitals and the community and primary health care sectors of the ACT.

The Office of the Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer, ACT Health Directorate, in conjunction with the ACT Nursing and Midwifery Leaders' Network, industry partners and sponsors, invite nominations for the 2023 Consumer Recognition. This Recognition is an opportunity for patients and health consumers to recognise a nurse, enrolled nurse, midwife or team who have consistently provided extraordinary, safe, quality and compassionate care to them and/or their families. The nurse, midwife or team must demonstrate an uncompromising commitment to building connection with patients, health consumers and their families through trust, kindness and empowerment. Nominations may be made by a patient, health consumer, friend or family member of the patient or health consumer.

BEFORE YOU START

If you plan to nominate a nurse, midwife or team, you must first make sure you have their correct name and workplace. If these details are incorrect your nomination will not progress or be accepted.

HOW TO NOMINATE

1. Go to the ACT Health NM Awards website (www.health.act.gov.au/NMAwards) and complete the online **CONSUMER** nomination form.
2. Complete all sections and criteria on the nomination form to explain why you are nominating the nurse, midwife or team.
3. You will be able to return to your nomination if you are unable to complete it in one attempt.
4. Submit your nomination before midnight on 12 March 2023.

THE REVIEW PROCESS

Once your nomination has been submitted, it will be sent to the nominee's Director of Nursing/Midwifery or line manager for endorsement. This will include confirmation that the nominee is not subject to a professional practice notification, restriction/limitation to practice, under investigation, disciplinary process or undergoing performance management. If a nominee is subsequently found to be subject to any of these conditions their nomination will be withdrawn.

The ACT Health Nursing and Midwifery Office is not responsible for incomplete nominations or endorsements.

A review panel will consider the evidence of excellence for all nominations. Review panel members include senior nursing and midwifery leaders and consumer representatives.

The nomination selection process is confidential and final.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

- What did the nurse, midwife or team do that you think was exceptional?
- How did the care **improve** your health or comfort, or that of the patient or health consumer?
- How did the care **support** you and your family, or that of the patient or health consumer?

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR NOMINATIONS

1. Nominators must complete and submit an online nomination form before the closing date.
2. A confirmation email will be sent to the nominator to confirm their nomination has been submitted.
3. Incomplete and late nominations will not be considered.
4. Multiple nominations require a separate form for each nomination.
5. Nominees must be currently employed as a nurse, enrolled nurse or midwife in the ACT public or private health service and hold a current registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.
6. Recipients of a Consumer Recognition will be announced at the ACT Nurses and Midwives Excellence Awards presentation on Thursday, 11 May 2023.
7. Recipients of a Consumer Recognition may be invited to speak with the media and/or other organisations about their Recognition. The ACT Government reserves the right to use any media/photos/articles for promotion purposes or publications.
8. All nominees will be advised of the person who nominated them.
9. Feedback will not be provided to nominators or nominees.
10. Personal information about nominees and nominators provided will only be used for the purposes of assessing and judging of nominations in the ACT Nurses and Midwives Excellence Awards.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

ACT Health acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Ngunnawal people. ACT Health respects their continuing culture and connections to the land and the unique contributions they make to the life of this area. ACT Health also acknowledges and welcomes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who are part of the community we serve.

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