The International Dementia Excellence Awards 2010

20 October 2010, ExCeL, London

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The International Dementia Excellence Awards

The International Dementia Excellence Awards are designed to recognise organisations and individuals who have worked to improve the quality of life of people with dementia. The awards celebrate the important work being undertaken to support people with dementia internationally and are a celebration of innovation and good practice. They are organised and awarded by the Dementia Services Development Centre (DSDC) at the University of Stirling.

The DSDC is delighted that the 2010 awards are being supported by a number of partner organisations. La Fondation Médéric Alzheimer is granting two of the awards, which will include a travel grant and bursary to attend the DSDC’s international conference in London in October 2010, where the awards will be presented. The Royal College of Nursing, NHS Kensington and Chelsea and NatWest are also award sponsors.

Nominations for the following categories are now being invited:

1. Pleasure of Eating*
2. Good Nights*
3. Dementia Nurse of the Year†
4. Team of the Year
5. Unsung Hero†
6. Dementia Design Innovation of the Year
7. Volunteer of the Year†

When and where

The awards will be presented as part of ‘Coming of Age’, the DSDC’s 4th International Conference, in London in October 2010. The award ceremony will take place at the conference dinner on 20 October. The conference is aimed at all those who support people with dementia, including doctors, nurses, social workers, allied health professionals, service commissioners, inspectors,
planners/architects, paramedics, housing organisations, the police, faith leaders, voluntary and private sector staff and people with dementia. For more information about the conference please visit www.londondementiacconference.com.

Nominations are invited which reflect both small and large-scale activities that have made a difference to the lives of people with dementia. The awards are international and a wide range of individuals and organisations are encouraged to enter. Please note that the eligibility criteria vary for each award. Further details can be found in the conditions of entry section.

**About the DSDC**

The DSDC supports the development of services for people with dementia and their carers. It provides a range of services for all those who work with or support people with dementia. The DSDC’s principal aim is to disseminate research and good practice about care for people with any type of dementia.

**The awards**

1. **Pleasure of Eating** – granted by La Fondation Médéric Alzheimer. This award recognises work that has enhanced the quality and experience of meal times and their associated activities for people with dementia. Nominations must demonstrate that the environment, ambience and experience of mealtimes has been enhanced for the person with dementia. The award will focus on the pleasure and experience associated with this important part of our daily lives.

2. **Good Nights** – granted by La Fondation Médéric Alzheimer. This award recognises measures that have improved the quality of the night-time experience for people with dementia or their carers. It will focus on work that has created choices for people with dementia and/or their carers to support periods of rest and engagement during the night. Examples may include helping the person settle to sleep, along with providing choices and support for them while they are awake. Community, housing, care home or hospital settings will be considered for this award.
3. Dementia Nurse of the Year† – sponsored by the Royal College of Nursing. This award will be given to a nurse who has demonstrated innovation in practice, along with a high standard of care in their work with people with dementia and/or their carers. This may be in the context of individual support or changes in models of care. Their work can be based in the community, a care home or a hospital and can involve any client group affected by dementia.

4. Team of the Year – sponsored by NHS Kensington and Chelsea. The team of the year could come from any service that supports people with dementia. Applicants for the team award must demonstrate that they have enhanced the quality of services received by people with dementia.

5. Unsung Hero† – sponsored by NatWest. This award will be given to an individual who has gone the extra mile, who simply gets on with the job or whose personal commitment has always shone through. Although this person may feel that they have only been doing their job, to others they will have genuinely made a difference.

6. Dementia Design Innovation of the Year. This award will recognise a communal or private setting used by people with dementia that demonstrates dementia-friendly design. Nominations for this award can come from care homes, hospitals, housing services or day centres and may include gardens or other spaces that demonstrate positive environmental design.

7. Volunteer of the Year†. This award recognises an individual who has made a considerable difference to the lives of people with dementia through giving freely of their time and commitment. Nominees could include volunteers in day services, the treasurer of a support committee or a fundraiser.
Nominate today using the attached form
Alternatively, you can apply online at www.ideawards.com

For more information about the awards contact
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Conditions of entry

The following eligibility criteria apply to all awards:

i. Applications can be made by people working in the statutory, housing, health, education, private and not-for-profit sectors. People with dementia and their carers are also invited to apply.

ii. All projects must relate to dementia.

iii. The awards are international and individuals or organisations from anywhere in the world are eligible to apply.

iv. The DSDC reserves the right to exclude any nominee at any time at its sole discretion.

v. The DSDC accepts no responsibility for any nominations which are lost.

vi. The closing date for entries is 17.00 hours (UK time) on 20 August 2010.

The following eligibility criteria apply to the Pleasure of Eating and Good Nights La Fondation Médéric Alzheimer awards only

i. Projects must have been implemented and operational for at least a year.

ii. The awards will granted to an organisation or service, not to an individual.

iii. Applicants must be affiliated with a social care or healthcare organisation or local authority that takes care of people with dementia and their carers.

iv. The awards will include a grant which will be made to the organisation or service that receives each award.

v. The winner of each award will be expected to send at least one representative of the winning team to attend the DSDC’s conference in London in October 2010 and to receive the award during the conference.

vi. Each of the two awards will comprise: a grant of €2,210 payable to the successful organisation or service; the cost of travel for one representative to attend the conference (up to a maximum of €1,500). Payment will be made on provision of original receipts to La Fondation Médéric Alzheimer; the attendance fee for the conference and conference dinner for one representative.

†The following eligibility criteria apply to Dementia Nurse of the Year, Unsung Hero and Volunteer of the Year awards only

i. Nominations for this award must be made by a third party. Individuals cannot nominate themselves for these awards.
Nomination form  
(Nominate online at www.ideawards.com for more space and the opportunity to upload documents such as photographs to support your nomination)

1. Pick the category that your nomination is for (select one category only)

☐ 1. Pleasure of Eating*  ☐ 5. Unsung Hero†
☐ 2. Good Nights*  ☐ 6. Dementia Design Innovation of the Year
☐ 3. Dementia Nurse of the Year†  ☐ 4. Team of the Year
☐ 7. Volunteer of the Year†

2. Enter the details of the individual or organisation being nominated:

Name ___________________________________________________________________
Job title (if applicable) ____________________________________________________
Workplace (if applicable) __________________________________________________
Address ___________________________________________________________________
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Postcode _____________________________________ Country___________________
Daytime phone number _____________________________________________________
Email address ____________________________________________________________

3. ☐ I have informed the individual/or organisation of this nomination (if nominating someone else)

4. If you are nominating someone else please enter your own details here:

Name ___________________________________________________________________
Job title (if applicable) ____________________________________________________
Workplace (if applicable) __________________________________________________
Address ___________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
Postcode _____________________________________ Country___________________
Daytime phone number _____________________________________________________
Email address ____________________________________________________________

5. ☐ Tick this box if you do not wish to receive further information from DSDC.

6. Use this section to tell us why you have nominated the individual/or organisation (100–500 words – continue on a separate sheet if necessary):

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