**Lincolnshire Care Awards 2021**

**Award Categories**

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| **Award Title** | **Award Criteria** |
| **Community Care Award** | This award recognises the significant role of the Home Care Worker or Personal Assistant in consistently providing a high-quality standard for people living in their own homes. We are looking for someone who is committed to delivering person centred quality care. Do you have an individual who has shown enthusiasm, innovation and determination and made a positive impact on the people they support?  |
| **Residential Care Award** | This award recognises the significant role of the Care Home Worker in consistently providing a high-quality standard for people living in residential care. We are looking for a carer who works within a residential or nursing home who is not a nurse or home manager. Do you have an individual who consistently goes above and beyond and is committed to delivering person centred quality care which has had a positive impact on your residents? |
| **Nursing and Nurse Associate in Social Care Award** | We are looking for a Nurse or Nurse Associate within a residential or community-based service. Do you have an individual who uses expertise, clinical and technical knowledge to deliver effective care and treatment and has shown that they are committed to person centred care and quality support of the individuals that they care for? |
| **Healthy Nutrition Award** | This award recognises the “whole home approach” to food and nutrition within the care home, enhancing health and wellbeing through great food.  We are looking for a person or group of people who are responsible for nutrition in your home – they could be a chef, carer, nurse, administrator, Registered Manager or all of these people.  They should be able to demonstrate that they provide a complete dining experience; encouraging health and wellbeing through great nutritious food delivered in a varied all-encompassing menu, coupled with a great atmosphere and engaging space to share and enjoy.  |
| **Registered Manager Award** | This award recognises a Registered Care Home or Home Care Manager who has demonstrated a high level of expertise together with exceptional skills in managing the complex business of running a care home or home care business. A Manager who shows vision in developing person-centred care and supporting staff to meet the ever-changing needs of their residents or service users. |
| **Frontline Leader Award** | We are looking for an individual in a residential or community care setting who can demonstrate leadership that leads to improved quality of life for the users of their service. This award will be given to a person who is a supervisor, senior care worker, team leader or a first-time manager. They should show a clear commitment to improving the delivery of care and support within their team. They will show leadership qualities, reflect on what could be better and motivate and support their team to bring about change. |
| **Rising Star Award** | Do you have a Rising Star in your organisation? We are looking for an individual who has worked in the care sector, in any setting for no more than 2 years and worked in their current role for no more than 1 year who, despite their short time in the sector shows real passion and has made a positive impact on the people they support. |
| **Workforce Development Award** | This award will acknowledge the important role of the Trainer within the care service and looks for a person who has shown incredible enthusiasm and determination in identifying training and development needs of care staff, establishing rolling training programmes, searching for and gaining funding and proving their ability to enthuse and energise staff to attend and request training. |
| **Behind the Scenes Award** | This award recognises excellent, person centred services, demonstrating dignity and respect through ancillary services. We are looking for an individual in a supporting role (e.g.: gardeners, care activity organiser, domestics, laundry assistants, handyperson, bus driver, administrator/receptionist, care activity organisers) who makes a real contribution to improving the quality of the lives of the people their organisation supports.  |
| **Caring Together Award** | This award recognises services and providers who demonstrate effective partnership working with unpaid family and friend carers. We are looking for those who show they value the support of unpaid carers and work together with them to meet the needs of their loved ones. Do you help to identify, support and work with the person’s own family and friends to ensure the best person-centred care possible? |

**Lincolnshire Care Awards 2021 Awards Rules**

**Nominations for the Lincolnshire Care Awards 2021 are subject to the following rules:**

1. The awards are intended to recognise individuals, small groups, personal assistants or volunteers working in care settings, nominations of whole care homes will not be accepted. If you would like to put forward a whole home for an award you can do this through the Skills for Care Accolades Awards, the Accolades are free to enter and attend.
2. It is a condition of entry that finalists attend the judging panel in dates and venues to be arranged, October 2021
3. Entries may be submitted no later than 5.00pm on 17th September 2021
4. You may nominate the same individual for more than one category. Please submit a separate nomination for each category
5. Should the judges determine an entry submitted for one category is of greater relevance to another category, they may re-categorise that entry
6. Winners and Runners-Up of previous care awards are not eligible in the same category in 2021
7. Finalists attending the judging panels and Gala Award Evening will have the opportunity to have their photograph taken by our official photographer. Photographs may be used in publicity and media reporting
8. Finalists and winners will be expected to help the organisers publicise the Awards before and after the event. Publicity required may include taking part in interviews and photography/filming for printed, broadcast and digital media
9. Finalists will be notified by 5.00pm on 4th October 2021
10. Finalists, or their organisations, will be given priority to purchase tickets for theGala Awards Evening on 24th March 2022.
11. Nominations are invited from service users and/or their families
12. The contact details contained in entries will not be shared outside Lincolnshire Care Association and its agents, unless permission is granted.
13. Details of winners in certain categories will be submitted to the Great British Care Awards 2021 Regional Nominations.
14. Please return your nomination form to susannalovelock@linca.org.uk or post to Lincolnshire Care Association, Greetwell Place, 2 Lime Kiln Way, Greetwell Road, Lincoln, LN2 4US