
Celebrating Success Awards: What makes a good nomination?

- You must be nominating this person/team for **work undertaken between September 2020 and September 2021**. If they have previously been recognised in the Celebrating our Success awards as a finalist/winner for this piece of work, please provide information on updates to this project made between the dates above.
- **Emphasis should be on professional achievements rather than personal qualities** – while personal qualities have an important role to play, particularly in some categories, a good nomination gives details of what work this person (or team) has done, how they carried this out, and what improvements have resulted, including Māori health and equity outcomes.
- **Try not to include too much technical information**. Remember that the judges may not have the same level of knowledge of the field as you.
- **Don't assume knowledge – write out acronyms in full**.
- Please **don't include long lists of published articles** - an overview is sufficient.

Example nominations

"In 2019 our service re-evaluated our service kaupapa, and as a team worked together to establish new values which capture what we do and our aspirations for the service. Once we all agreed to our new kaupapa we acknowledged as a team that we needed to address the ongoing disparities for Maori that we as a service, and individually, perpetuate unconsciously. One aspect was to embark on a voluntary hour of te reo Maori each week. Now 18 weeks in, we have regular attendance by the majority of our staff, and our teams grasp of te reo Maori and subsequent understanding of tihei mauri ora has blossomed."

"X is an amazing Food Care Assistant who always puts a smile on everyone's dial! He always goes above and beyond to ensure patient's get their breakfast, lunch and dinner (or ensure NBM) and of course their cup of tea, which is always on point! He makes time to listen to patients and looks out for others including the nursing staff, patients and whanau. X often receives positive acknowledgements from both patients and staff which shows he is a valued staff member and makes a positive impact and difference to the team. The ward is lucky to have you."

"In X's many roles over the decades she is always kind & respectful in her interactions with staff and families. She has a way of supporting the contribution staff have towards the care they provide while promoting ways they could extend themselves by harnessing a healthy appetite for clinical enquiry to promote best practice and standards of care. This promotes autonomy, integrity and clinical excellence. X is inspiring in the way she continually extends her knowledge base/skills and also in her ability to navigate, in a humble and respectful manner, challenging staff situations and difficult family interactions. X's nursing contribution has impacted positively on the lives of many patients and families, along with saving nursing and medical lives when she arrives fresh at 0500hrs with all her expertise."

"Responding to widespread community concern about the possible increase of suicidal behaviour and the need for support for vulnerable young people in Porirua East schools, the Porirua community and other groups led a local response. The Principal/Tumuaki of Porirua College highlighted the region's young people were under immense pressure following the deaths and asked for support services that was "right for them". In response to the request from the schools and communities, CCDHB funded Challenge 2000 (a Youth Social Services Non-Government Organisation) to provide support, guidance and counselling to students across the local high schools. This was over and above existing counselling services already available in schools. Many positive changes have occurred as a direct result of the community's response, including co-designed community initiatives with the youth and no further deaths by suspected suicide of youth."