PENNSTATE HERSHEY
Milton S. Hershey Medical Center

THE DAISY AWARD
FOR EXTRAORDINARY NURSES
IN MEMORY OF J. PATRICK BARNES

DAISY Award Application and Overview

Award

The DAISY award is an award recognizing nurses for delivering skillful, compassionate care. DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System. The award was created in memory of Patrick Barnes who died at the age of 33 of complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP). The DAISY Foundation was established by Patrick's family to keep his spirit alive. The primary mission of the DAISY Foundation is to express profound gratitude to nurses for the work they do for patients and their families every day. The recipient will receive a certificate signed by the Chief Nursing Officer and Mark Barnes, co-founder of The DAISY Foundation, a special DAISY Award pin, a hand-carved Shona sculpture entitled "A Healer's Touch", a tote bag, and Cinnabons for the award winner's unit. The recipient will also have his/her name placed on the DAISY Award banner.

Eligibility

A Licensed Practical Nurse or a Registered Nurse employed by the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center.

Criterion

Licensed Practical Nurses or Registered Nurses must demonstrate excellence in one or more of the following criterion:

•Include patients and families in the planning of their care
•Do an excellent job educating patients and their families
•Work well with the healthcare team to meet patient and family needs
•Make patients and their families feel comfortable
•Establish a special connection with patients and families through trust and emotional support
•Interact with patients, families, and staff in a professional and personable manner
•Demonstrate excellent clinical evaluation skills
•Serve as a role model for the nurse profession
•Model empathy and demonstrate a caring attitude in all situations

Who Can Nominate

Nominations from fellow staff nurses, clinical head nurses, nurse managers, nursing directors, administrators, physicians, patients, families, visitors, and other staff will be accepted.

Selection Process

A blinded review of the nominees' applications will be performed by the Patient and Family Centered Care Advisory Council. The Adult Patient and Family Centered Care Advisory Council, established at Penn State Hershey in 2007, includes family members of past and present patients and hospital staff. This council promotes Patient and Family Centered Care and makes recommendations to improve care and services.

Submission

Submit completed nominations to:
Carla Perry, Administrative Associate
500 University Drive; H096
Hershey, PA 17033
Phone: 717-531-4744 Email: cperry@hmc.psu.edu

Presentation Date

Awards will be presented monthly/quarterly as determined by the council.

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Section I – To be completed by the nominator

Name of Nominee	
Department/Unit	
Supervisor/Manager	
Shift	
Name of Nominator	
Nominator's Telephone Number	
May we contact you (the nominator) for more information if necessary? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
Manager's Signature	

I would like to nominate _____ from the _____(unit/department) as a deserving recipient of The DAISY Award.

This nurse demonstrated excellence in one or more of the following criterion:

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Please attach a narrative (200 words or less) describing why this nurse is so special and/or how he/she exemplified the criterion listed above.