



Auckland District Health Board 3rd Primary and Community Health Innovation Award 2009

Purpose

The ADHB Primary and Community Health Innovation Award has been developed to recognise the valuable work done within the community setting to lift the health of the people of Auckland City and to support the sharing of knowledge.

This year's Innovation Award is focused on Quality Improvement.

Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction and skilful execution; it is the wise choice of many alternatives [anonymous].

So tell us about a quality improvement initiative you have operationalised. What were your processes and sub-processes of identifying an opportunity for improvement, how did you finally select the topic for improvement, how did you define it and what did you do to make the changes, and last but not least what were/are the outcomes.

Eligibility

The Primary and Community Health Innovation Award programme is open to all providers of health services within Auckland City except for employees of ADHB. Award nominees may be, but are not limited to:

Residential care facilities
Schools
Lead maternity carers
Physiotherapy clinics
Voluntary organisations
Mental health providers
PHOs

General practice teams
Dental practice teams
Public health providers
Pharmacies
Other NGOs providing health services

Applications will be considered for projects, programmes or initiatives that are currently in process or who have concluded within the twelve months prior to the closing date for applications (9 November 2009).

We are seeking to recognise those activities that demonstrate innovation, partnership, and focus on Quality Improvement outcomes that are delivered in a primary and community setting.

Judging

There are two categories with 3 finalists each and one winner per category will be selected by judges representing the healthcare system. Entries will be assessed based on a range of criteria including the importance of the issue and the outcomes achieved, however, the focus for the evaluators is one on the benefits obtained and not on the scale of the project.

Benefits of submitting an application

- All applicants will be recognised on the ADHB website, Nova and the local media
- A summary of each project submitted will be included in the Celebration programme so that our knowledge can be shared across Auckland City
- The six finalists will receive special recognition and will be asked to present their project at the Celebration Event
- The four runners up (2 per category) will receive \$500
- The two winning projects will receive a \$3,000 award each to be used in furthering the goals of their organisation

How to submit an application

We know your time is valuable so the application process is designed to be quick and easy. Simply fill out the attached two page form and email, fax or mail to the contact information shown on the form. You can use the form provided or simply provide the requested information under the same headings in an email. The focus is on gathering enough information from you to enable the evaluation panel to evaluate your project.

Key dates

November 9 th midday	Due Date for applications
November 13 th	Finalists informed
November 18 th	Celebration and Presentation Award
	0930-1200 Finalists' presentations and presentation of awards
	1200-1300 Light lunch