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Fourteen nurses receive Awards of Excellence

A highlight of National Nursing Week in Niagara is the Nursing Awards of Excellence, given out last night as nursing professionals gathered to be honoured by the Niagara Health System.

The following Registered Nurses and Registered Practical Nurses are this year's recipients:

Nursing Awards for Excellence in Direct Care – Registered Nurse

- Melanie Harshaw, Greater Niagara General Site
- Kelly Taylor, St. Catharines Site
- Cindy Lepine, Welland Site
- Melanie Stansfield, Port Colborne Site

Nursing Awards for Excellence in Direct Care – Registered Practical Nurse

- Jan Batchelor, Greater Niagara General Site
- Evelyn Belchior, St. Catharines Site
- Cindy Banner, Welland Site
- Doug Brown, Port Colborne Site

Nursing Leadership awards

- Cindy Bryson, RN, St. Catharines Site – Bursary to attend a leadership conference

Nursing Awards Collaboration and Team Work for Excellence in Direct Care

- Lisa Herkimer, RN, Greater Niagara General Site Medical Day Stay
- Karen Lindley, RN, Greater Niagara General Site Medical Day Stay
- Tammy Hamilton, RN, Greater Niagara General Site Medical Day Stay

Nursing Endowment Fund – \$500 bursary per recipient

- Rosanne McKinnon, RN, Greater Niagara General Site
- Laura Thomson, RPN, Greater Niagara General Site

“This year, 98 nurses were nominated by their peers for nursing awards of excellence,” says Derek McNally, one of the NHS’s Chief Nursing Officers. “On behalf of the NHS, I would like to congratulate all of our nominees and award winners. Selecting the finalists is always a difficult decision for the selection committee since there are so many nurses who go above and beyond on a regular basis to provide an excellent patient experience.”

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