

Patient Safety Hydration Best Practice Award

to be presented at the
Hospital Caterers Association National Awards 2010

Raising the bar

HCA National Conference 2010
15-16 April 2010

*The winning organisation
will receive £500, a trophy and a certificate*

The presentation will be made at the
Hospital Caterers Association Annual Conference in Blackpool

This Hydration Best Practice Award will recognise the outstanding contribution of an individual or team to improving the provision of drinking water to NHS patients and subsequently improving patient safety.

The criteria for this award are based on two elements:

1. Meeting the standards of the HCA Good Practice Guide (Food Service at Ward Level):

- chilled water being available at ward level for patients throughout the 24-hour patient day;
- water being provided in its most palatable condition, i.e:
 - fresh;
 - mains supplied;
 - served cool;
 - offered regularly;
 - presented with energy and enthusiasm.

2. Utilising the Water for Health Best Practice Toolkit for Hospitals and Healthcare to improve the provision of water for patients by:

- undertaking a hospital water audit;
- reviewing water facilities within their organisation;
- developing local training;
- working collaboratively with nurses to improve hydration.

Nominations for this award should complete the following entry form and include a 500 word summary to support their application. Applications should also include examples of evidence, such as audit results, training resources, survey results, photographs and any other supporting documentation. This material is not included in the 500 word summary.

The award will be judged by representatives from the HCA, the Royal College of Nursing, the NPSA.

The closing date for entries is Friday 5 March 2010.

Entry Form

Your name:

Job title:

Address:

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..... Postcode:

Telephone no:

E-mail:

HCA branch name:

Membership no:

If you are nominating someone else, please complete the section below:

Name:

Job title:

Additional Names:

Establishment name:

Address:

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..... Postcode:

Telephone no:

E-mail:

HCA branch name:

Membership no:

Fax no:

Please attach the entry form to your written submission and return by **Friday 5 March 2010** to:
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