



ITS TIME

TO START THINKING ABOUT WHO DESERVES
RECOGNITION FOR DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB
IN THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM

INVITATION TO APPLY OR NOMINATE FOR THE 2002 SUNFLOWER AWARDS

The 2002 Sunflower Awards will be given to an individual (paid or unpaid), or a service (clinical, non clinical, volunteer based) or a group that has made an outstanding contribution to the lives of people affected by schizophrenia living in metropolitan or country areas.

This year, there will be four Award categories:



Crisis Support Award

for delivering outstanding emergency care, assessment and treatment services to people during a mental illness crisis or acute episode.



Re-integration Award

for outstanding assistance to people with a mental illness to re-enter and live in the community.



Long term Disability Support Award

for outstanding support of people with persistent symptoms who need help with practical, daily living activities.



Media Award

for outstanding & non prejudicial promotion of the image of people with a serious mental illness.

Closing date for nominations and applications is cob Friday 19 April 2002

CRITERIA TO BE USED FOR JUDGING THE WINNER IN EACH CATEGORY

The **Crisis Support Award** will be given to an individual, program or group delivering emergency care, assessment and treatment services to people during a mental illness crisis or acute episode who:

- responds with empathy and consideration to the presenting needs of a person with a mental illness;
- takes account of co-existing issues such as substance abuse, trauma, personality disorder or poor physical health;
- discusses choices & possible side effects when prescribing medication;
- practices discharge planning- including developing supportive methods and systems for family/carers; and
- responds to the needs of consumers, family/carers for information, education, treatment and support as individuals.

The **Re-integration Award** will be given to an individual, program or group assisting a person with a mental illness to re-enter and live in the community who:

- works in partnership with the consumer and relevant others to explore options and to develop individual care plans with measurable and achievable goals;
- acknowledges and encourages consumers, family/carers as partners in collaboration;
- promotes the use of support networks such as family, carers, friends and community resources;
- ensures treatment and support offered occurs in a community setting in preference to an institutional setting;
- ensures the consumer has access to rehabilitation programs that minimise psychiatric disability and prevent relapse; and
- ensures vocational and social needs are met through the use of mainstream agencies whenever possible.

The **Long term Disability Support Award** will be given to an individual, program or group that supports people with persistent symptoms and who need help with practical, daily living activities. They will be working enthusiastically with clients who:

- have a severe and unstable course of illness;
- have challenging symptoms;
- need ongoing help, especially with medication; and
- have poor prospects of recovery.

The **Media Award** will be given to an individual, program or group that promotes the image of people with a mental illness in a non prejudicial way by:

- providing accurate reporting;
- providing information in a non sensational way; and
- encouraging a community culture of acceptance of people with mental illness.

JUDGING PROCESS

A panel of staff and members of the Board of the Schizophrenia Fellowship will assess all nominations received from carers, consumers and the applications received from individuals, programs or groups. Closing date for nominations and applications is cob **Friday 19 April 2002**

Within each of the four categories, applications/nominations will be judged on how well they match the criteria outlined above. The Awards will be presented at the **Sunflower Awards Dinner** to be held at the Adelaide Festival Centre Banquet Room on Saturday 25 May 2002.

HOW TO NOMINATE SOMEONE FOR AN AWARD

THIS FORM SHOULD BE USED TO NOMINATE AN INDIVIDUAL, PROGRAM, OR GROUP FOR AN AWARD

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Step one Please fill in the Application Form below;

Step two In the space below, describe how the efforts of the individual, program, or group you have nominated helped people affected by a mental illness or psychiatric disability?

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Step three return completed Application Form and comments to

SCHIZOPHRENIA FELLOWSHIP OF SA INC
PO BOX 310 MARLESTON SA 5033 or
EMAIL TO sfsa@sfsa.asn.au or
FAX 08 8221 5159 by cob Friday 19 April 2002

What is the name of the individual, program or group that you are nominating for an award (eg as might appear on award trophy)		

Which one of the following categories best describes this nominee (Please tick one):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Group
Can you give us more details of your nominee? eg		
Who is the contact person?	_____	
What is the name of Organisation	_____	
Address	_____	
	Postcode _____	
Phone	_____ Fax _____	
Email	_____	
Tick ONE category that best defines your nominee		
<input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Support		
<input type="checkbox"/> Long term disability Support		
<input type="checkbox"/> Re-integration		
<input type="checkbox"/> Media		
Can you give us some details about yourself		
Your Name and organisation (if any)	_____	
Address	_____	
	Postcode _____	
Phone	_____ Fax _____	
Email	_____	
Can you give us some details about your relationship to your nominee (eg group member, worker, client)		

HOW TO APPLY FOR AN AWARD

THIS FORM SHOULD BE USED BY THOSE INDIVIDUALS, PROGRAMS OR GROUPS WISHING TO APPLY FOR AN AWARD

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Step one Please fill in the Application Form below;

Step two Please provide other information to substantiate your case for an Award: eg

- a brief one page summary of the achievements of the program, group or individual:
- how you identified the need being addressed?
- how consumers and carers were involved in service planning and delivery?
- how your efforts go above and beyond the expected.
- substantiation of the success of the program, group or individual.
- why is a Sunflower Award important to the individual, group or program?

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What is your name (if an individual), or the name of your program or group (eg as might appear on award trophy)		

Which one of the following categories best describes your status (Please tick one):		
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Group
Can you give us of your details?		
Who is the contact person?	_____	
Name of Organisation	_____	
Address	_____	
	Postcode _____	
Phone	Fax _____	
Email	_____	
Tick ONE category that best defines your activity		
<input type="checkbox"/> Crisis Support		
<input type="checkbox"/> Long term disability Support		
<input type="checkbox"/> Re-integration		
<input type="checkbox"/> Media		
Should your entry win, who would accept the Award?		
Name	_____	
Phone	Fax _____	
Email	_____	