ROYAL COLLEGE OF NURSING IN WALES
NURSE OF THE YEAR
AWARDS

Commemorative Booklet
City Hall, Cardiff, 14 November 2018
I am delighted to have been appointed into the role of Interim Director, RCN Wales in time for the Wales Nurse of the Year Awards 2018.

Our seventh annual awards ceremony took place in the same year the NHS celebrated its 70th anniversary and whilst the NHS has changed significantly over the past 70 years, one thing that has been consistent is the difference that nursing teams make to people’s health and wellbeing. Equally, the same can be said of the care given by nurses and health care practitioners in the independent and third sector. With this in mind, I’d like to offer huge thanks to all of our finalists for their enormous contribution to nursing and health care, and to those who recognised their excellence in practice and nominated them for these awards.

We were honoured to have Tina Donnelly CBE, TD, DL, FRCN, attend the ceremony. Tina, who recently retired as RCN Wales Director, launched these awards in 2012 and they’ve gone from strength to strength, becoming the showcase event for nursing achievements in Wales. Thank you to Tina for her vision. We’re grateful that some important stakeholders made time in their very busy schedules to join us at the ceremony this year, including Her Majesty’s Lord Lieutenant for South Glamorgan, Mrs Morfudd Meredith; The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor of Cardiff, Councillor Dianne Rees; Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services; Dr. Andrew Goodall, Director General for Health and Social Services and Chief Executive of NHS Wales; Professor Jean White CBE, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales; Dr. Dai Lloyd AM, Chair of the Health, Social Care & Sport Committee; Angela Burns AM; and Helen Mary Jones AM. We were also fortunate to have a number of key members from the RCN with us, including Cecilia Anim CBE, RCN President; Maria Trewern, Chair of RCN Council; Professor Rod Thomson FRCN, RCN Deputy President; Dame Donna Kinnair, Acting RCN Chief Executive & General Secretary; RCN Council Members and RCN Welsh Board Members.

Thank you to the Royal British Legion Llanelli Band of Wales and the Tredegar Orpheus Male Voice Choir, who provided wonderful pre-dinner entertainment on the night, and to everyone who helped to make the awards such a success, from the judging panels who carefully considered the nomination submissions and presentations, to our sponsors and supporters and to the team at RCN Wales who worked so hard to plan and execute a fantastic event. Many, many thanks to all of you.
CONGRATULATIONS

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Cecilia Anim CBE, RCN President; Dame Donna Kinnair, RCN Acting Chief Executive and General Secretary; Gaynor Jones MBE, Chair RCN Welsh Board; Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services, Eve Lightfoot, Nurse of the Year 2018 and Professor Donna Mead OBE, CStJ, FRCN, Chair of Velindre University NHS Trust
SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Jayne Carpenter, recipient, Special Recognition Award; Rob Carpenter and Dr. Andrew Goodall, Director General for Health and Social Services and Chief Executive of NHS Wales
LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Professor Ruth Northway OBE, FRCN, winner, RCN Lifetime Achievement Award 2018, said:

“It was a great honour to receive this award on such a special evening where examples of fantastic nursing practice were showcased and celebrated.”

Her Majesty’s Lord Lieutenant for South Glamorgan, Mrs Morfudd Meredith; Professor Ruth Northway OBE, FRCN, winner, Lifetime Achievement Award 2018 and Professor Marcus Longley, Chair, Cwm Taf University Health Board.
ENTERTAINMENT

Tredegar Orpheus Male Voice Choir and the Royal British Legion Llanelli Band of Wales
RCN GUESTS

Dr. Dai Lloyd AM, Chair of Health, Social Care & Sport Committee; Dr. Catherine Lloyd and Dr. David Bailey, Chairman, Welsh Council, British Medical Association Cymru

Members of the RCN Gogledd Cymru North Wales Branch: Elizabeth Rees, RCN Welsh Board Member; Sylvia Curley, Branch Treasurer; Billy Nichols, Vice Chair of the RCN Welsh Board and Susan Williams

Tim Golbourn, RCN Director of Finance and Business Enablement

Captain Alison Hofman RRC, QHNS, QARNNS DACOS Health and Head of the Naval Nursing Service
RCN GUESTS

Tina Donnelly CBE, TD, DL, FRCN, CCMI

Steve Ham, Chief Executive, Velindre University NHS Trust

Angela Burns AM, Welsh Conservative Health Spokesperson

Jason Roberts, Deputy Executive Nurse Director, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board; Rebecca Aylward, winner, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales Award and Ruth Walker, Executive Nurse Director, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
RCN GUESTS

Dr. Susan Thomas, RCN Wales Primary Care and Independent Sector Advisor; Professor Marcus Longley, Chair of Cwm Taf University Health Board and Jill Evans OBE, FRCN

Members of the Royal British Legion Llanelli Band of Wales with Jessica Parsons, guest of Jonathan Gapper

Rob Carpenter; Jayne Carpenter, recipient of the RCN Wales Special Recognition Award and Dr. Carolyn Middleton, Associate Director of Nursing, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
MEMBERS OF RCN WELSH BOARD

From left: Stewart Attridge; Jacquelin Davies; Billy Nichols, Vice-Chair RCN Welsh Board; Denise Llewellyn MBE, FRCN, Welsh member RCN Professional Nursing Committee; Neil Evans, Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales / RCN Welsh Board Secretary; Gaynor Jones MBE, Chair of RCN Welsh Board and Welsh member RCN Trade Union Committee; Nicola Milligan; Alison Magor; Elizabeth Rees; Richard Jones MBE, Vice-Chair of RCN Council and Sandra Robinson-Clark.
MASTERS OF CEREMONY

Andrea Byrne, Television Presenter

Jason Mohammad, Radio and Television Presenter
RCN GUESTS

Professor Dame June Clark FRCN and Professor Jean White CBE, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales

Christine Thomas, Chair of the RCN in Wales, Representative Support and Development Network

Hannah Rowlands, winner, Health Care Support Worker Award, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board and Rhys Mordecai, guest of Hannah Rowlands
RCN GUESTS

Past RCN in Wales Nurse of the Year Winners:
Louise Walby, 2017; Sian Thomas, 2016 and Claire Harris, 2015

Richard Jones MBE, Vice-Chair of RCN Council; Maria Trewern, Chair of RCN Council; Carol Popplestone, RCN Council Member for Yorkshire & The Humber; Vicky Brotherton, RCN Council Member for the South West and Professor Rod Thompson FRCN, RCN Deputy President

Alison Davies, Assistant Director Quality and Patient Experience, Cwm Taf University Health Board
RCN GUESTS

Steve Brunsdon, guest of Jane Brunsdon and Cathryn Smith, joint winners of Older People’s Commissioner for Wales Award and Jason Smith, guest of Cathryn Smith

Denise Llewellyn MBE, FRCN, RCN Welsh Board Member and RCN Practice Nursing Committee Member and Bronagh Scott, Executive Director of Nursing, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
Joint Winners of the Suzanne Goodall Award: Sophie Azzopardi, guest of Kath Azzopardi; Kath Azzopardi, joint winner, Mary Glover, Directorate Lead Nurse, Noah’s Ark Children’s Hospital for Wales and nominator; Sandra Hall, joint winner, Annie May Hall, guest of Sandra Hall

Ann Taylor-Griffiths, RCN Welsh Board Member

Helen Mary Jones AM, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services
GUEST SPEAKERS

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor of Cardiff, Councillor Dianne Rees

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales

Gaynor Jones MBE, Chair of the RCN Welsh Board

Dame Donna Kinnair, RCN Acting Chief Executive and General Secretary
CHILDREN AND MIDWIFERY AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Shelly Jones, runner-up, Children and Midwifery Award and Gill Harris, Executive Director of Nursing and Midwifery, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Louise Taylor, joint winner, Children and Midwifery Award; Gill Harris, Executive Director of Nursing and Midwifery, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board and Kerry Phillips, joint winner Children and Midwifery Award
COMMUNITY NURSING AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Karen Gregory, runner-up, Community Nursing Award and Bernadine Rees OBE, Chair of Hywel Dda University Health Board

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Eve Lightfoot, winner, Community Nursing Award and Bernadine Rees OBE, Chair of Hywel Dda University Health Board
IMPROVING INDIVIDUAL AND POPULATION HEALTH AWARD

Jan Williams OBE, Chair of Public Health Wales; Claire Hurlin and Dr. Stephanie Perrett, winners, Improving Individual and Population Health Award and Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales
MENTAL HEALTH AND LEARNING DISABILITIES AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Jonathan Gapper, runner-up, Mental Health and Learning Disabilities Award and Professor Dianne Watkins, Independent Member, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Andy Jones, winner, Mental Health and Learning Disabilities Award and Professor Dianne Watkins, Independent Member, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
PRIMARY CARE NURSING AWARD

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Ginny Chappell, runner-up, Primary Care Nursing Award and Dr. David Bailey, Chairman, Welsh Council, British Medical Association Cymru

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Juliet Norwood, winner, Primary Care Nursing Award and Dr. David Bailey, Chairman, Welsh Council, British Medical Association Cymru
SUZANNE GOODALL PAEDIATRIC NURSING AWARD

Carol Killa, Director of Care, Ty Hafan; Carys Hunt, runner-up, Suzanne Goodall Paediatric Nursing Award and Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Sandra Hall, joint winner, Suzanne Goodall Paediatric Nursing Award; Carol Killa, Director of Care, Ty Hafan and Kath Azzopardi, joint winner, Suzanne Goodall Paediatric Nursing Award
ADVANCED AND SPECIALIST NURSING AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Malisa Pierri, runner-up, Advanced and Specialist Nursing Award and Maria Battle, Chair, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Bethan Ingram, winner, Advanced and Specialist Nursing Award and Maria Battle, Chair, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board
OLDER PEOPLE’S COMMISSIONER FOR WALES AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Cathryn Smith, joint runner-up, Older People’s Commissioner for Wales Award; Heléna Herklots, Older People’s Commissioner for Wales and Jane Brunsdon, joint runner-up, Older People’s Commissioner for Wales Award

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Rachel Griffiths, winner, Older People’s Commissioner for Wales Award and Heléna Herklots, Older People’s Commissioner for Wales
HEALTH CARE SUPPORT WORKER AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Andrea Donald, runner-up, Health Care Support Worker Award and Louise Casella, Director, The Open University in Wales

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Hannah Rowlands, winner, Health Care Support Worker Award and Louise Casella, Director, The Open University in Wales
SAFEGUARDING AWARD

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Janet Edmunds, runner-up, Safeguarding Award and Rachel Shaw, Board Member, National Independent Safeguarding Board Wales

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Michelle Moseley, winner, Safeguarding Award and Rachel Shaw, Board Member, National Independent Safeguarding Board Wales
NURSE EDUCATION AWARD

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Laura Beth Davies, runner-up, Nurse Education Award and Gareth Howells, Director of Nursing and Patient Experience, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Dr. Jayne Cutter, winner, Nurse Education Award and Gareth Howells, Director of Nursing and Patient Experience, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board
NURSING STUDENT AWARD

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Lucy-Anne Bromley, runner-up, Nursing Student Award and Dr. Chris Jones CBE, Chair, Health Education and Improvement Wales

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; John-Marc Comperat, winner, Nursing Student Award and Dr. Chris Jones CBE, Chair, Health Education and Improvement Wales
REGISTERED NURSE (ADULT) AWARD

Helen Whitley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Natalie Skyrme, runner-up, Registered Nurse (Adult) Award and Professor Vivienne Harpwood, Chair of Powys Teaching Health Board

Helen Whitley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Suzanne Thomas, winner, Registered Nurse (Adult) Award and Professor Vivienne Harpwood, Chair of Powys Teaching Health Board
CHIEF NURSING OFFICER FOR WALES AWARD

Helen Whiley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Ceri Phillips, runner-up, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales Award and Professor Jean White CBE, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales

Helen Whiley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Rebecca Aylward, winner, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales Award and Professor Jean White CBE, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales
INNOVATION IN NURSING AWARD

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Charlotte Bloodworth, runner-up, Innovation in Nursing Award and Gill Davies, Head of Sales and Marketing, Frontier Medical Group

Helen Whley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Alison Lewis, winner, Innovation in Nursing Award and Gill Davies, Head of Sales and Marketing, Frontier Medical Group
SUPPORTING IMPROVEMENT THROUGH RESEARCH AWARD

Helen Whiley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Angela Jones, runner-up, Supporting Improvement Through Research Award, and Professor Daniel Kelly FRCN, Royal College of Nursing Professor of Nursing Research, Cardiff University

Helen Whiley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Dr. Aled Jones, winner, Supporting Improvement Through Research Award and Professor Daniel Kelly FRCN, Royal College of Nursing Professor of Nursing Research, Cardiff University
Reverend Raymond Addison, Immediate Past President, Ghana International Welfare Association (GIWA); Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services; Cecilia Anim CBE, RCN President and Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales

Alan Meredith, guest of Her Majesty’s Lord Lieutenant for South Glamorgan, Mrs Morfudd Meredith

Helen Whyley, Interim Director, RCN Wales; Ben Hannigan, Professor of Mental Health Nursing, School of Healthcare Sciences, Cardiff University (accepting the Supporting Improvement Through Research Award on behalf of Dr. Aled Jones) and Professor Daniel Kelly FRCN, Royal College of Nursing Professor of Nursing Research, Cardiff University
RCN WALES TEAM

Gaynor Jones MBE, Chair of the RCN Welsh Board with RCN Wales Staff

Nigel Downes, RCN Wales Associate Director (Professional Practice)
RCN GUESTS

John Love, member of the RCN Gogledd Cymru North Wales Branch; Sandra Robinson-Clark, RCN Wales Board Member and Neil Evans, RCN Wales Board Member

Andrea Byrne; Dr. Nicky Genders, Head of School of Care Sciences, University of South Wales and Jason Mohammad
Eve Lightfoot said:

“I am so proud and very privileged to receive the Community Nursing Award and the RCN Wales Nurse of the Year Award 2018. Thank you for my nomination from Judith Bowen, the support of Hywel Dda University Health Board where I work, both award sponsors and the RCN in Wales who made this possible.”
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