

ENTRY FORM Excellence in Midwifery for Education & Learning - Sponsored by Nursing and Midwifery Council

Before you complete the entry form please take a moment to read through the below information carefully as it contains important information regarding your entry such as, deadlines, word limits and details about what will happen if you are shortlisted for your category.

Eligible: Any RCM member

Individual or team category: You can submit an entry for either an individual or for a team Entry or nominated: Entrants can either self nominate or submit a nomination for a colleague

Category description: This Award will recognise a midwifery educator or a team of educators who are able to demonstrate innovation, dynamism, commitment and enthusiasm for education to benefit student midwives, midwives or MSWs. This may be demonstrated through the development of teaching and learning initiatives which have enhanced the student, MSW or midwife learning experience, fostered multidisciplinary team working and/or promoted continuing professional development.

Projects could promote education in academic or clinical settings as well as innovations in approaches to pre- and post- registration education and learning that increase students/MSWs/midwives' capability and confidence. Projects may also prepare and equip students/MSWs/midwives to provide the highest quality care and that advance the art and science of midwifery knowledge.

The judges are looking for:

- A clear description of the initiative/project and the rationale for its development
- The evidence base underpinning the initiative/project, and identification of any evidence being generated by the initiative/project to add to the midwifery education body of knowledge
- A description of the implementation of the teaching strategy/initiative
- An outline of the strategy used to evaluate the impact of the initiative/project on the learning experience of the student/ MSW/midwife

Please note: all entries must be submitted online via the RCM Awards website: www.rcmawards.com

Submission Rules:

In order to ensure a smooth and efficient entry process we ask that you follow some simple rules:

- Your entry form **must be anonymous**. If the judges are able to identify your entry, it may be disqualified.
- The word count for entries is **750 words** (This includes *all* sections of the entry form). References are not included in this word count. If your entry does exceed this word limit you run the risk of being disqualified.
- Make sure that you are completing the correct entry/nomination form for your category.
- Select categories allow the entrant to supply supporting documentation. If this applies to your category please supply it as a separate document and limit it to 3 single sided A4 pages.
- You must complete the official entry form. Other documents cannot be accepted.

What happens next?

- The shortlist will be announced in March 2023. All entrants will receive an email notifying them when the shortlist is announced.
- All shortlisted entrants are expected to attend an individual judging day to present their project to a panel of judges. Please note that the RCM cannot reimburse or cover midwives' travel and/or accommodation costs to attend the interview days or the awards day.
- A maximum of two complimentary tickets will be provided for each shortlisted entry for the named entrant, or entrants, or nominated entrant and their nominee to attend the RCM Awards event held on 19 May 2023 in London.

<u>*PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME OR NHS ORGANISATION NAME ON THIS FORM. THIS ENTRY MUST</u> <u>BE ANONYMOUS</u>

SUMMARY OF ENTRY (Approx 100 words)

DESCRIBE THE INITIATIVE/PROJECT AND THE RATIONALE FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING ANY CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED

OUTLINE THE EVIDENCE BASED UNDERPINNING THE INITIATIVE/PROJECT AND WHAT EVIDENCE HAS BEEN GENERATED BY THE INITIATIVE/PROJECT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE MIDWIFERY BODY OF KNOWLEDGE

DESCRIBE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TEACHING STRATEGY / INITIATIVE

OUTLINE THE STRATEGY/METHODOLOGY USED TO EVALUATE THE IMPACT OF THE INITIATIVE OR PROJECT ON THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE OF THE STUDENT/MSW/MIDWIFE