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Nominate Before it's too Late

The Health Minister Peter Toyne has reminded Territorians only two weeks remain to lodge nominations for the 2006 Nursing and Midwifery Awards.

"I encourage anyone who knows of or has come into the care of one of these outstanding health professionals to submit their details and help recognise their dedication," he said.

The awards have been operating since 2004 and are designed to encourage excellence while identifying outstanding professional commitment.

"Nurses and midwives are often at the frontline of care and the work they perform is critical in delivering an efficient Territory Health Service," he said.

"Their hard work and outstanding contribution to the wellbeing of Territorians should be celebrated."

The award categories include Acute Care, Aged Care and General Practice, Community, Mental Health, Midwifery and Remote.

Two new categories have been added this year – Graduate of the Year and Living Legend.

Dr Toyne said nurses and midwives who hold a current practicing certificate and are employed within the Territory are eligible for nomination.

Winners will be announced on International Nurses Day (Friday 12 May) during a ceremony at Parliament House.

Winners in each category will receive \$500 and the Territory Nurse or Midwife of the Year will receive an extra \$2000.

Nominations close at 5pm on Thursday 13 April. Nomination forms can be obtained from www.nt.gov.au/health, by emailing nurseawards.ths@nt.gov.au or by calling 8922 7539.

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