

## **2018 Healthcare Science Awards**

### **Healthcare Scientist of the Year Award**

The NHS is committed to working at the limits of science. Significant new developments in areas such as Genomics and Proton Beam Therapy show that science and scientists are crucial to the sustainability of the NHS.

This award will celebrate an exceptional individual who has used their skills and scientific ability for a maximum patient or service user benefit, as recognised by their peers. Our judges are looking for Healthcare Scientists who have engaged and collaborated with the wider multi-professional groups over a significant period of time and beyond the boundaries of their service to demonstrate the broader contribution that scientists can make to the NHS.

### **Healthcare Science Rising Star**

The calibre of individuals at the earlier stages of their careers in healthcare science has never been greater with training programmes continuing to attract some of the best and brightest into the NHS.

This award celebrates those healthcare scientists in the early stages of their career who are already demonstrating how much healthcare science can bring to care pathways and service development. Our judges are looking for individuals who are already performing highly in their given area and show signs of greater things to come. Particular credit will be given to those showing a clear vision and demonstrating the impact of their work

### **Healthcare Science Partnering Patients and Citizens Award**

The NHS Five Year Forward View sets out a vision of “a new relationship with patients and communities” as a precondition for a system that improves health & wellbeing, the safety and quality of care, and financial sustainability. There is a growing evidence base that working in partnership with users of services and citizens, and supporting them to take a more active role, is not only the right thing to do in principle, but also an approach that leads to better outcomes.

This award celebrates healthcare scientists who in different ways exemplify the “new relationship” in their work; for example, making sure they understand what really matters to patients and families; using this intelligence to shape their approaches and activities; focussing on ways to give people more independence and control; focussing on people’s wellbeing in the broadest sense; and working in partnership with patients and families to achieve shared goals.

### **CSO Shirley Fletcher Apprenticeship Award**

Apprenticeships are an important opportunity for employers to provide an effective means of developing the skills of their workforce. For individuals seeking a career in health, an apprenticeship can equip them with the skills they require, offering a genuine alternative to going to University or even an opportunity to combine an apprenticeship with higher education. Healthcare Science has long recognised the benefits of training apprentices for the HCS support workforce. New Trailblazer HCS apprenticeship standards have now been developed at Levels 2 and 4 with an emerging standard at Level 6 for HCS Practitioners.

Shirley Fletcher – well known to many of you - initiated the early HCS developments in this area. With her untimely death, the Shirley Fletcher CSO Apprenticeship Award has been established to recognise and commemorate her significant contribution to this work. The judges will be looking for apprentices who have shown a passion and commitment for HCS, demonstrating an ability to engage with learning whilst in employment, with a particular focus on patient-centred care and the contribution of science to health.

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### **CSO Equality and Diversity Leadership Award**

The CSO is keen to champion a fully inclusive leadership culture within healthcare science that better represents the demographic of our country and showcases the depth and breadth of diversity across the NHS.

The award is open to inspiring leaders who have led the way for others and acted as role models for a next generation of healthcare scientists. The judges will be particularly interested in examples of how individuals have actively demonstrated a commitment to equality and diversity within healthcare science and the NHS.

### **Innovation in Healthcare Delivery Award**

It is crucial that science and innovation is placed at the heart of the NHS to deliver the five year forward view. Science has the power to deliver on the three key action areas for future NHS sustainability. It can help bridge the care and quality gap, the funding and efficiency gap and the health and wellbeing gap.

This award recognises the development of the vital contribution of science to healthcare delivery. The judges will be looking for scientific innovations that make a real difference to patient care and will be looking for individuals who can demonstrate how their work has enabled improvements in the NHS.

### **Excellence in Health Research**

It is vital that advances in healthcare science are driven by high quality and empirically sound scientific research. Healthcare scientists are crucial in improving the NHS's ability to undertake research and innovation and raising the game of health technology.

This award celebrates those clinical academic healthcare scientists who have undertaken ground-breaking research and who have in turn established strong foundations for scientific innovations to make a real difference in patient care. The judges will be looking for individuals who can demonstrate how their research has impacted the healthcare science community and wider NHS.

### **Excellence in Education Delivery**

Education is vital in ensuring that healthcare scientists are able to work at the highest level in healthcare. Innovative educational programmes, with true multi-professional training and education can make a positive contribution to Healthcare science. The Excellence in Education Delivery Award will be awarded to a project that demonstrates a link between an innovative approach to delivering course content and clear improvements in learning outcomes and/or student satisfaction.

### **Developing Partnerships to Improve Outcomes**

Collaborations across industry, academia, research teams and the NHS provide a thriving ecosystem for innovative scientific and clinical research that speeds up the identification and dissemination of healthcare innovations for patient benefit. These important partnerships are critical for transforming services, improving outcomes and reducing costs.

This award champions Healthcare Scientists who are working in partnership to develop clinical innovations or enterprises, and in turn driving the revolution to transform the NHS.