

For General Awards Category (everything with a * is a mandatory field)

Application Assessment

Details of the Nurse/Midwife being Nominated

Name:

Current Employer:

Street Number:

Street Address:

Suburb:

Post Code:

State:

Current Position:

Email address:

Mobile number:

Describe the nominee's role and associated responsibilities including history of service and contribution to patient outcomes (up to 250 words):

Julie has been nursing for over 15 years and since 2010 has been a Clinical Service Coordinator at in Community Mental Health in the Southern Area Local Health Network (SALHN). Julie is an authentic and strong leader who believes in advocating for her nursing staff and supporting them to reach their full potential. She sees change as an opportunity for growth and encourages her nursing staff to embrace these opportunities. Julie listens to her nurses; seeing this as a way to inform opportunities for performance development, and clinical practice improvements.

Current responsibilities include the following:

- Care coordination and case management within a multi-disciplinary team utilising a Recovery approach.
- Triage, assessment and care planning and therefore implementation, of evidence based interventions to treatment.
- Engagement with a defined client group presenting with complex health, mental health and social needs, including history of non-engagement, treatment resistance and dual diagnosis.
- Mental and Physical health assessment and monitoring
- Compliance with organisational, state and national policies and acts e.g. Mental Health Act 2009
- Management and supervision of staff

Career History:

- TPPP at Royal Adelaide Hospital, 2000 – 2001
- Emergency Department, Level 1 Registered Nurse, FMC, 2001 – 2006
- Clinical Services Coordinator, RN 3, Community Team 2006 (current)

Education History:

- Bachelor of Nursing - Flinders University School of Nursing 2000
- Graduate Diploma in Mental Health Nursing - University of Adelaide 2005
- Masters of Nursing (Leadership) - UniSA 2014

Personal Details of Nominator

Title:

First Name:

Surname:

Street Number:

Street Address:

Suburb:

Post Code:

Contact Telephone Number:

Email:

Relationship to the Nominee: Relationship to the Nominee: Colleague Health professional
 Supervisor Patient/Client/Consumer Other

Other Relationship:

Supporting Evidence of Nomination

- 1. Describe how the nominee works collaboratively in partnership with patients/clients, their families and carers and other health clinicians to provide person centred care. (250 Word Limit)*

Julie models and demonstrates an enquiring mind in all her clinical practice. She strives to seek a balance between advocating for consumers (to experience positive and supporting episodes of care) and for consumers to self-manage within a self-assessed risk assessment framework. Julie is respectful of the consumer taking an active role and driving their care within this framework. Julie facilitates group based clinical supervision. This enables nursing staff to reflect on their practice while being coached and facilitated by an expert in mental health nursing care.

As part of modelling examples of best practice and working in a holistic manner, Julie has engaged with NGO's stakeholders in a collaborative and consultative fashion thus developing genuine working relationship. An example of this way of working, has been the development of (with the assistance of Executive Support to facilitate) a multiagency training day for over 90 staff and consumers.

Julie embraces an approach that supports co-facilitation; this approach facilitates consumers providing education and training, alongside clinicians, as volunteer employees of the health service. This approach gives voice to individuals, as part of their recovery journey and in developing skills for the future use.

2. Describe how the nominee contributes to their workplace in regards to improving patients/clients safety and quality of care. (250 Word Limit)

Julie drives safety and quality developments in her area ensuring the multi-disciplinary team (MDT) are also engaged. This continuous quality improvement activity is then adopted by the team and becomes a key feature of the service.

As a result of this, the service has seen a significant reduction in the number of consumers requiring admission to acute care services. This has been driven by the professional and quality approach Julie has taken in implementing this Model of Care.

Julie strives to implement Models of Care within an innovative framework. This is evidenced in her continuous review of practice and implementing changes in response to new practice and emerging consumer needs.

Julie is a strong advocate for improving clinical practice. She drives and promotes the need and commitment for nursing to be a lifelong learning profession - ensuring that patient/client safety and quality of care remain at the forefront of all interactions. Julie proactively engages other clinical staff to reflect on their practice by encouraging them to undertake small pieces of action research; keeping a personal journal and making a contribution to a journal club. These activities ensure that evidence based practice is promoted and utilised in daily practice.

3. Describe how the nominee shows passion for the nursing and/or midwifery profession by “going the extra mile” and by demonstrating a “can do” positive attitude. (250 word limit)

Julie ensures care is patient-centred by working in close partnership with patients/clients and their families to offer support and guidance. She understands the need to maintain a high-quality service through efficient and effective care, but doesn't forget that a central component of this is to advocate and support her patients and their families to ensure their needs are met. Her priority is her own patient load, but she is often helping her colleagues with heavy patients to help ensure all the patient's needs in the ward are met.

Julie role models the delivery of evidenced based care and provides inspiration for all to provide better care. An example of this is the group she has established at work to review research relevant to our practice to ensure that practice is based on evidence and best practice resulting in optimal outcomes of care.

Julie models the values of respect, advocacy and integrity in all her interactions with patients and the multi-disciplinary team. Her approach is always caring and compassionate, she treats her patients with respect and with consideration of the cultural and heritage beliefs.

Julie has a passion for patient care and looking at continuous improvement and engages those around her and the team she leads. She has developed very good professional relationships and availed herself to opportunities to represent nursing on professional committees where representation is low. Her participation has highlighted the importance of nursing's voice in influencing health care and the value we bring to the decision making process.