Southern Nursing Excellence Award Recipients 2023

**Southland Event Award Recipients: (note in some categories there are multiple recipients reflective of the nominee settings or number of nominations)**

**Nursing Research Award:** Karyn Madden (Programme Manager at Te Pūkenga, Southern Institute of Technology)

**Quality Improvement and Innovative Practice Award:** Sarah Halder (Clinical Co-ordinator - Emergency Department Te Whatu Ora Southern), Carol Riddle (Director of Enliven, Presbyterian Support Otago) and Jane Miedema (Quality & Practice Development Coordinator – Hospice Southland)

**Patient Safety Award:** Sue Dillon (Clinical Nurse Specialist Infection, Prevention and control, Te Whatu Ora Southern)

**Rising Star Award:** Kim Spooner (He Puna Waiora Wellness Centre General Practice Nurse – Nga kete Matauranga Pounamu Trust) and Hannah Cocker (Registered Nurse – Emergency Department, Te Whatu Ora)

**Preceptor or Clinical Supervisor Award:** Alan Thornton (Registered Nurse– Medical Ward, Te Whatu Ora Southern)

**New Graduate Nurse Award:** Ashiyana Farook (NESP Registered Nurse – Community Mental Health Team, Te Whatu Ora Southern) and McKenzie Clark (NETP Registered Nurse – Emergency Department, Te Whatu Ora Southern)

**Nursing Education Award:** Nicola Dowling (PDRP Co-ordinator - Former Medical Ward Educator, Te Whatu Ora Southern) and Malinda Hill (Nursing Educator – Te Pūkenga-SIT)

**Clinical Excellence in Nursing Award**: Rohan Blackler (Triage/Intake Nurse Community Palliative Care – Hospice Southland) and Donna Madden (CNS-Diabetes, Te Whatu Ora Southern) and Amanda Butler, Lead Practice Nurse- Mataura Medical Centre, Te hau O te Ora

**Nursing Leadership Award**: Lara Gleeson (NETP Co-Ordinator, Te Whatu Ora Southern), Cherie Muelenbroek (Charge Nurse Manager – Surgical Ward, Te Whatu Ora, Southern) and Lisa Henderson (Nurse Practitioner – Hospice Southland)

**Pacific Nursing Award:** Richie Dalhousie (Registered Nurse, Community Mental Health Nurse, Te Whatu Ora Southern)

**Te Kete A Matariki Māori Nursing Award:** Tania Rewi (District Nurse, Te Whatu Ora Southern) and Charleen Waddell (Clinical Nurse Specialist-Diabetes, Te Whatu Ora Southern)

**Special Awards**

**Alison Anderson Award**: Natasha Cunningham

**Emma Bagley Memorial Award:** Maike Rickertsen

**Otago Event Award Recipients: (note in some categories there are multiple recipients reflective of the nominee settings or number of nominations)**

**Nursing Research Award:** Josie Crawley (Associate Professor Otago Polytechnic, Pūkenga ) and registered nurses Julia Devereux and Alison Pile.

**Quality Improvement and Innovative Practice Award:** Denise Van Aalst (Kowhai Programme Co-ordinator Otago Community Hospice) and Fiona Thomas (Trauma Nurse Co-ordinator, Dunedin Hospital)

**Patient Safety Award:** Karl Bucad (Associate Charge Nurse, Te Whatu Ora Southern), Tamsin Yarnall (Practice Nurse, Dunedin City GP) and Ellen Jones (IV CNS Practice Development Unit, Te Whatu Ora Southern).

**Rising Star Award:** Brianne Clulee (RN Practice Nurse Tuapeka Community Health), Emily Borst (Healthcare Assistant Co-ordinator Te Whatu Ora Southern), Jacqueline Davidson (Clinical Nurse Specialist Aspiring Medical Centre) and Sunju Jung (Practice Nurse, Dunedin City GP).

**Preceptor or Clinical Supervisor Award:** Stephanie Still (Registered Nurse Prescriber, Wanaka Medical), Sue Prendergast (Te Whatu Ora Southern) and I’riea Matapo (Lecturer, Otago Polytechnic, Te Pūkenga).

**New Graduate Nurse Award:** Adelaide Johnston (NETP, RN) and Lelia Collins (ENSIPP, EN) (Te Whatu Ora Southern).

**Nursing Education Award:** Claire Wiechern (Well Child Tamariki Ora Nurse, Pacific Trust Otago), Donna Burkett (Principal Lecturer, Otago Polytechnic, Te Pūkenga) and Gemma Notman (Clinical Facilitator, Te Whatu Ora Southern).

**Clinical Excellence in Nursing Care:** Abby Highton (RN HOME Team Te Whatu Ora Southern), Briar MacKenzie (Practice Nurse and PRIME Responder, East Otago Health), Cath Featherston (Continence Nurses - Community Nursing, Te Whatu Ora Southern), Marion O’Kane (Public Health Nursing, Te Whatu Ora Southern), Rochelle Barton (Well Child Tamariki Ora Nurse, Pacific Trust Otago) and Sharyn Clearwater (Community Care Co-ordinator, Otago Community Hospice).

**Nursing Leadership Award:** Audrey Arceo (CNM Nursing Resource Unit, Te Whatu Ora Southern), Geoffrey Harvey (IQN Workforce Co-ordinator, Otago Polytechnic, Te Pūkenga), Lynda Davis (Nurse Manager, Aspiring Medical Centre), Robyn Hewlett (EN Nurse Ward 4A/Resource Unit, Te Whatu Ora Southern), Sharon Stewart (Director of Nursing and Clinical Services, Otago Community Hospice) and Trish Bloxsom (Clinical Manager, Observatory Village Life Care, Oamaru).

**Pacific Nursing Awards:** Tevita Vungamoeahi (Clinical Nurse Manager, Pacific Trust Otago) and Mel King (RN, Children’s Unit, Te Whatu Ora Southern).

**Te Kete a Matariki Māori Nursing Award:** Ria Brodie (Public Health Tuakana - Ōtākou Health Limited/Te Kaika, Dunedin (Hauora Māori Partner)and Adrienne Kiri (CNS Ward 9B, Te Whatu Ora Southern).

**Special Award for Southern District:**

**Outstanding Service to Nursing Award:** Sally O’Connor (Enliven Director – Presbyterian Support Otago)