

DAISY Award celebrates extraordinary skill and compassionate care

The DAISY (Diseases Attacking the Immune System) Award was founded in 1999 in memory of J. Patrick Barnes who succumbed to an autoimmune disease. His family created the award to celebrate nurses who touch the lives of others with their outstanding clinical skills and compassionate care.

Washington Hospital has proudly partnered with the international DAISY Award Foundation each year since 2005 to recognize our nurses with this special honor. Nurses who go above and beyond are nominated by patients, families and their peers. These nominations are then reviewed and award recipients are selected by members of our Shared Governance Administrative Council.

This year's award recipients exemplify our Patient First Ethic in their work. They are committed to a culture of patient safety and use evidence-based practices in their patient care. These nurses are exceptional role models who nurture and value professional relationships, and are team players, delivering compassionate quality care.

This year's DAISY Award recipients, (from left) Rinku Grewal, BSN, RN-BC; Marlene McGee, RN; and Abundia "Bonna" Imbat, BSN, RN, NDRN, provide outstanding care to our telemetry, emergency and newborn patients.

Congratulations to our 2018 DAISY Award recipients:

Abundia "Bonna" Imbat, BSN, RN, NDRN

Bonna works on the Maternal Child Care Unit attending to deliveries to assure all babies are stable. She is highly specialized in her role as 'nurse intubator' for newborn babies, should they require it. Bonna is a resource to everyone on the Maternal Child Care Unit and goes beyond the call of duty to make sure mothers and babies get a good start with breastfeeding.

Marlene McGee, RN

Marlene has a positive attitude that is contagious. She reminds her colleagues what outstanding nurses they are and that they can accomplish anything when working as a team. She is committed to her Emergency Department team and treats each patient with respect.

Rinku Grewal, BSN, RN-BC

A charge nurse on the Telemetry Unit, Rinku provides wonderful, compassionate care to her patients. She is always willing to share her knowledge and educate the staff to help raise the quality level of care on her unit.

