

# Nomination Form

## Letters of Support

Please obtain one or more letters which endorse the nominee's contribution from people who are familiar with their work.

Please use the following sections to outline why you feel this person deserves to be recognised as a veterinary nurse (min 200 words / max 500 words per section).

- Why do you believe the nominee is worthy of receiving the award for which they have been nominated?
- Describe the nominee's activities, achievements or contributions that you believe qualify them for this award.
- In what areas of work has the nominee excelled?
- Describe the contribution the nominee has made to the veterinary nurse profession.
- What makes the nominee stand out from others doing similar work?

### YOUR DETAILS

Are you (tick one box) ☐ A client ☐ Work in a veterinary practice

Name: .....

Address: .....

Postcode: .....

Email: .....

Daytime Tel. Number: .....

I wish to nominate\* the following person in the category as ticked below:

☐ Northern Ireland Veterinary Nurse of the Year

☐ Northern Ireland Student Veterinary Nurse of the Year

☐ Northern Ireland Animal Nursing Assistant of the Year

### NOMINEE'S DETAILS

Nominee: .....

Veterinary Practice: .....

Senior Partner or Manager: .....

Address: .....

Postcode: .....

Daytime Tel. Number: .....

\*Attach details on why you feel your nominee should win an Award.

## BVNA 2018 NORTHERN IRELAND VETERINARY NURSING AWARDS

Now is the time to recognize those hard working veterinary nurses who keep your practice alive and functional at all times by nominating your nursing staff for the Northern Ireland Veterinary Nursing Awards 2018 presented by BVNA.



Des Thompson  
OBE, BA, MVB, MSc,  
VetGP, FRCVS

One of my proudest moments as a practitioner was to be made an Honorary Member of BVNA in 2004. I am humbled and proud to be associated with this prestigious organization and urge all practitioners and their clients to acknowledge the wonderful dedicated work of the veterinary nursing profession.

Nurses are an essential part of any practice and it is not often that practitioners get the opportunity to publically recognize their tremendous value.

When I started in practice many moons ago we did not have the highly trained veterinary nursing expertise which is now available to us all. Nurses do a tremendous lot to promote practices in every way from reception to highly skilled specialist nursing techniques. I can think of many patients who would not have survived had it not been for the excellent care given to them by nurses. Their dedication to "animal welfare" giving each and every patient the will to live.

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

- The nominated individual must be in one of the listed categories and work in Northern Ireland.
- The closing date for entries is 26 March 2018.
- We can accept no responsibility for lost or delayed entries.
- The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into relating to this Award.
- The winners of each category will be announced at the AVSPNI Conference, 25th - 27th May 2018 in the La Mon Hotel, Belfast.
- Prizes are as detailed on this form - no cash alternatives will be offered.
- The nominees of the Awards will be notified by post.
- A list of the winners will be supplied on request by enclosing a S.A.E. to the Award organiser, Naoimh Toner, to address overleaf.
- Prize winners consent to their names and photographs being used in Agria, AVSPNI or BVNA promotional material.



Do you know a exceptional Veterinary Nurse who has gone beyond the call of duty in pet care?

Nominations are requested for the prestigious  
**Northern Ireland Veterinary Nursing Awards 2018**



## Northern Ireland Veterinary Nursing Awards 2018

All veterinary nurses are dedicated to caring for animals, but just sometimes there's a special someone who has given exceptional services in caring for pets.

It could be for example the set-up and running of a new client education focus in the practice, or helping to spread the message of pet welfare in the community. Perhaps they simply gave you some extra special help when you most needed it.

In fact, any action or contribution that you think deserves special recognition.

Nominations are welcome from pet owners or practice staff.

This award scheme is organised by the Northern Ireland region of BVNA in association with Agria Pet Insurance and supported by AVSPNI.

Your nominee for the Northern Ireland Veterinary Nurse of the Year Award 2018 must be a Registered Veterinary Nurse (RVN). Nominations are also welcome for the supporting categories of NI Student Veterinary Nurse of the Year and NI Animal Nursing Assistant of the Year (qualified or student).

If you are unsure which category your intended nominee falls into, then the Senior Partner or Practice Manager at your Veterinary Practice should be able to help you.

The nominated person must be in one of the above categories and work in Northern Ireland.

Entries for each category will be judged by a panel from the British Veterinary Nursing Association (BVNA), the Association of Veterinary Surgeons Practising in Northern Ireland (AVSPNI) and Agria Pet Insurance.



The aim of the British Veterinary Nursing Association (BVNA) is to promote animal health and welfare through the ongoing development of professional excellence in veterinary nursing.



Agria Pet Insurance specialise in pet insurance and encouraging responsible pet ownership is at the heart of what we do.

Nominate your exceptional veterinary nurse and ensure their dedication and ability is recognised.



### PRIZES

Northern Ireland Veterinary Nurse of the Year  
- Trophy, £300 (Gift Voucher) and registration to the BVNA Congress 2018

Northern Ireland Student Veterinary Nurse of the Year  
- Trophy + £150 (Gift Voucher)

Northern Ireland Animal Nursing Assistant of the Year  
- Trophy + £150 (Gift Voucher)



## Northern Ireland Veterinary Nurse of the Year 2018 Award

Please complete the form overleaf and return to reach us by 26 March 2018

Naoimh Toner RVN MBVNA  
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or email [naoimhctoner@gmail.com](mailto:naoimhctoner@gmail.com)

**Closing date for entries is 26 March 2018**  
and the winner in each category will be announced at the AVSPNI Conference, 25th - 27th May 2018.

**Don't delay**, complete the nomination form overleaf and give your special nurse a chance to win this prestigious title!



AVSPNI are proud to support the Northern Ireland Veterinary Nursing Awards 2018