



## Want to Say Thank You to Your Nurse? Share Your Story!

The DAISY (Diseases Attacking the Immune SYstem) Award is an international recognition program that honors and celebrates the skillful, compassionate care nurses provide every day. The DAISY Foundation was established by the family of J. Patrick Barnes after he died from complications of the auto-immune disease ITP in 1999. During his hospitalization, they deeply appreciated the care and compassion shown to Patrick and his entire family. When he died, they felt compelled to say “thank you” to nurses in a very public way. Please say thank you by sharing your story of how a nurse made a difference you will never forget!

This nurse-led team exemplifies Erie VA Medical Center mission and values (ICARE) and are role models of collaboration and teamwork that made a difference in the lives of patients, families, employees or your community. And must meet the following criteria:

- ***Teams must be led by a nurse or group of nurses***
- ***Teams must be comprised of 2 or more individuals***
- ***Team members exemplify EVAMC values and embody the mission***
- ***Team members are role models of collaboration and teamwork that make a difference in the lives of patient, families, employees, the community***
- ***The Team’s project should be described in detail, including outcomes***

I would like to thank my nurse-led team: \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_ Unit.

Please describe a specific situation or story that demonstrates how this nurse showed ICARE values while making a meaningful difference in your care .

Thank you for taking the time to nominate an extraordinary nurse for this award. Please tell us about yourself, so that we may include you in the celebration of this award should the nurse you nominated is chosen.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I am (please check one):

- Patient
- Visitor
- RN
- MD
- Staff
- Volunteer

Please contact me if my team is chosen as a DAISY Team Award Honoree so that I may attend the celebration if available.

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If you have any questions, please contact the DAISY Award committee at [DAISYawards@va.gov](mailto:DAISYawards@va.gov).

**Please submit your nomination form to:**

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