



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 while displaying the VA ICARE values!

- Integrity:** Act with high moral principle. Adhere to the highest professional standards.
- Compassion:** Work diligently to serve Veterans and other beneficiaries. Be driven by an earnest belief in VA’s mission.
- Advocacy:** Be truly Veteran-centric by identifying, fully considering, and appropriately advancing the interests of Veterans and other beneficiaries.
- Respect:** Treat all those served with dignity and respect. Show respect to earn it.
- Excellence:** Strive for the highest quality and continuous improvement. Be thoughtful and decisive in leadership, accountable for my actions, willing to admit mistakes, and rigorous in correcting them.

I would like to thank my nurse (name): _____ 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

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If you have any questions, please contact the DAISY Award committee at DAISYawards@va.gov.

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