

Humpty Dumpty Foundation



2022 Michelle Beets Award for Inspirational Paediatric Care

The **Michelle Beets Award for Inspirational Paediatric Care** recognises the commitment and achievements of people who demonstrably go above and beyond to improve health outcomes, and in doing so inspire others to deliver the best possible care for children.

The award has been run since 2012 to honour the memory of Michelle Beets—a devoted and highly respected nurse who worked at Royal North Shore Hospital for 25 years, including 10 years as Nurse Manager in its Emergency Department. Michelle was inspirational, dedicated and deeply committed to nurse practice education, the highest standards of nursing professionalism and investing the best level of care for all patients. She tragically lost her life on 27 April 2010 and the Humpty Dumpty Foundation—with the support of NSW Health—continues to honour Michelle by rewarding inspirational people providing neonatal and paediatric care within the NSW public health system.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Entries must be received by 23:59 AEST Friday 23 September 2022. Late entries will not be accepted.
- Nominees:
 - Must be a health professional providing care to children within the NSW public health system.
 - Must be nominated by someone other than themselves.
 - May be from the spectrum of clinical practice, including medical, midwifery, nursing and allied health.
- Nominators:
 - Must be a peer or colleague of the nominee working within the NSW public health system and/or an employee of NSW Health.
 - Must complete the nomination form and address the award criteria in 500 words or less.
- All entries submitted to the 2022 Michelle Beets Award for Inspirational Paediatric Care may be published, used for promotional material or publicity purposes. By entering you grant permission to the Humpty Dumpty Foundation to use your nomination in this way.
- Finalists must agree to allow the Humpty Dumpty Foundation access to the nominee's workplace for the purposes of interviews, public relations and in some instances filming. Formal approval will be sought via appropriate channels.

- The metropolitan winner will work in a public health facility in Sydney, Newcastle or Wollongong. The regional winner will work in a public health facility located in any other region of New South Wales.
- Each winner will be awarded a \$5,000 bursary for professional development, training or research. Professional development, training or research activity must relate to the recipient's relevant area of paediatric practice or improving health outcomes for children. Individuals must apply for funding to the Humpty Dumpty Foundation prior to 31 December 2023 to facilitate the release of funds. Any funds unspent at the end of this period will be forfeit.
- Winners can select \$25,000 worth of medical equipment for use in their facility. Equipment will be ordered and paid for by the Humpty Dumpty Foundation.

JUDGING PROCESS

- Judging will be completed by a panel comprising representatives from the Humpty Dumpty Foundation, consumer advocates and clinical experts representing a range of specialty groups, including neonatology, paediatrics, nursing, midwifery and allied health.
- The judging panel will consider the merits of each nomination against the following award criteria:
 - Demonstrates clinical excellence in neonatal/paediatric care and strong commitment to the principles of person-centred care.
 - Leads or champions innovations and improvements in the quality of care to achieve the best health outcomes for children.
 - Regarded as a role model and/or inspirational by peers and contributes above and beyond what may reasonably be expected.
- Nominations must be a maximum of 500 words.
- Nominees may be approached for further information or advised of his/her nomination.
- The judging panel's decision is final.
- The judging panel may opt to recognise one or more finalists as 'Highly commended'. This will be at the discretion of the judging panel.