

# The DAISY Award

## About The DAISY Foundation

The DAISY Foundation was established in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died of complications of the auto-immune disease Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia Purpura (ITP) at the age of 33. (DAISY is an acronym for diseases attacking the immune system.) During Pat's 8 week hospitalization, his family was awestruck by the care and compassion his nurses provided not only to Pat but to everyone in his family. So one of the goals they set in creating a Foundation in Pat's memory was to recognize extraordinary nurses everywhere who make an enormous difference in the lives of so many people by the super-human work they do everyday.

## What is The DAISY Award?

The DAISY Award is an international program that rewards and celebrates the extraordinary clinical skill and compassionate care given by nurses everyday. Cheyenne Regional is proud to be a DAISY Award Partner, recognizing our nurses with this special honor quarterly.

To find out more about the program, including the growing list of Partners, please go to [www.DAISYfoundation.org](http://www.DAISYfoundation.org).



**Nominate A Nurse for  
The DAISY Award**

DAISY Award honorees personify Cheyenne Regional's remarkable patient experience. These nurses consistently demonstrate excellence through their clinical expertise and extraordinary compassionate care, and they are recognized as outstanding role models in our nursing community.

**The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses**



Each DAISY Award Honoree will be recognized at a public ceremony and will receive: a beautiful certificate, a DAISY Award pin, and a hand-carved stone sculpture entitled A Healer's Touch. Additionally, everyone in the unit will celebrate with Cinnabon® cinnamon rolls – a favorite of Patrick's during his illness. The Barnes Family asks that whenever and wherever nurses smell that wonderful cinnamon aroma, they stop for a moment and think about how special they are.

### How To Nominate An Extraordinary Nurse

Patients, visitors, nurses, physicians, employees may nominate a deserving nurse by filling out this form and submitting it to the Office of the Chief Nursing Officer or by placing in the locked drop box where flyers are located. An electronic version for is available on the Cheyenne Regional's website and intranet.

I would like to nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
from the \_\_\_\_\_ unit/  
department as a deserving recipient of The DAISY Award. This nurse's clinical skill and especially her/his compassionate care exemplify the kind of nurse that our patients, their families, and our staff recognize as an outstanding role model. She/he consistently meets one or more of the following criteria:

Cheyenne Regional's DAISY Award Nurse ...

- Is positive and professional
- Establishes a special connection with patients and families through trust and emotional support
- Is compassionate, thoughtful, and caring in all situations
- Provides safe patient care
- Does an excellent job educating patients and families
- Collaborates with all members of the healthcare team

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 your nomination be chosen.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Pager \_\_\_\_\_

I am (please check one): RN\_\_\_\_  
Patient \_\_\_\_ Family/Visitor \_\_\_\_ MD \_\_\_\_  
Staff \_\_\_\_ Volunteer \_\_\_\_  
Date of nomination \_\_\_\_\_

## NOMINATION FORM

Nominations received by the 15th of the month will be considered for the following quarters **DAISY Award**. You can submit a completed nomination form to the Office of the Chief Nursing Officer or by placing in the locked drop box where this flyer was located. An electronic version is available on the Cheyenne Regional's website and intranet.

Please describe a situation involving the nurse you are nominating that clearly demonstrates he/she meets the criteria for **The DAISY Award**:

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Fill free to use additional pages; we want to hear your story.