In recognition of outstanding allied health professionals, the Rotary Clubs of Mt Lawley and West Perth and the Chief Health Professions Office (CHPO) present the 2018 Allied Health Excellence Awards.

Nominations open **Monday 2 July** until **5pm Friday 17 August 2018** for the following five categories:
- Rural and Remote Teams
- Community and Primary Care
- Innovative Practice
- Teaching, Training and/or Research
- Working in Partnership.

To nominate, please access the online form from: [https://www.cognitoforms.com/ChiefHealthProfessionsOffice/_2018RotaryAlliedHealthTeamExcellenceAwards](https://www.cognitoforms.com/ChiefHealthProfessionsOffice/_2018RotaryAlliedHealthTeamExcellenceAwards)

An award will be presented to the successful team in each category, as well as the overall award for 2018 Team of the Year, at the Awards Ceremony held on 8 October 2018.

**Selection criteria**

**All categories**
- The successful team nominees will demonstrate “service above self”, which is the principal motto of Rotary that best explains the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service. NB: While membership of the team may be broader than allied health (AH), the award nomination is centred on the AH contribution to service.
- The members of all teams demonstrate commitment in local area/unit and broader organisational-wide activities that contribute towards improved patient or client outcomes, teamwork facilitation and promotion of multi-disciplinary care.

**Rural and remote practice**
- The members of this team are based in a rural and/or remote area or provided a significant service to rural and remote community improving the health/disability needs of individuals/community.
- The members of this team provide a service that demonstrates an understanding of the unique challenges experienced by communities that live and work in rural and remote WA.

**Community and primary care**
- The members of this team are based in a community/primary care setting or provide a significant service at a primary health level.
- The members of this team demonstrate exceptional service and commitment to primary care, including prevention and health promotion, and integration of services across the continuum of care.
Innovative practice

- The members of this team demonstrate significant innovation in practice in providing allied health services.
- The members of this team demonstrate ongoing commitment to promoting innovation in allied health and service delivery.

Teaching, training and/or research

- The members of this team inspire learning through modelling, development of training resources or actively engaging others in research.
- The members of this team are an example of evidence-based continuous improvement in the workplace through knowledge translation.

Working in partnership

- The members of this team are leaders in collaborative, multi-disciplinary practice and promote working in partnership across all areas of professional practice.
- The members of this team provide a service that demonstrates the benefits of working in collaboration and partnership across sectors and professions.

Nomination information and rules for entry

- Nominations must be submitted electronically at: https://www.cognitoforms.com/ChiefHealthProfessionsOffice/_2018RotaryAlliedHealthTeamExcellenceAwards

  Note: Some older Internet Explorer browsers do not support this form. Try a newer version or Google Chrome.

- Nominations will be open from Monday 2 July 2018 until 5pm, 17 August 2018. Nominations received after this deadline will not be accepted.
- All nominations are to be made with the agreement of the nominees.
- Nominees must be currently employed and working as allied health professionals within Western Australia and may include services provided by Government, not-for-profit or private organisations.
- Teams can be comprised of any health professionals, as long as they have two (2) or more allied health clinicians who are significant members of the team.
- Teams may be from one site and/or organisation or across a number of sites/organisations.
- Teams can comprise of one single allied health profession, or many.
- Organisations that have worked collaboratively with another organisation/s may jointly submit for an award.
- If you are unsure of your eligibility, please contact the Chief Health Professions Office (CHPO) for advice at chpo@health.wa.gov.au
- All nominations must be the original work of the author and factually accurate.
- Nominators will receive an acknowledgement of their nomination submission.
- Once the nomination has been submitted, the nominee will receive an email from the CHPO indicating that they have been nominated. In order to agree to their nomination, the nominee will email their agreement to the CHPO. Once received this will complete the nomination process.
- All nominations will be treated in confidence.
- All nominees will be advised as to whether their team has been short-listed as a category finalist or not.
- The selection panel will consist of members nominated by the CHPO and approved by the Rotary Clubs of Mount Lawley and West Perth. The panel will decide on the category finalists and the overall winner decided by a Rotarian panel.
- Award winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony.
- The selection of the finalists and award winners will be conducted under the supervision of The Presidents of the Rotary Clubs of West Perth and Mt Lawley.
- The value of the prize for each category will be announced when sponsorship has been finalised.
- The Rotary Clubs of West Perth and Mt Lawley, with the support of the CHPO, are the organisers of the Rotary Allied Excellence Awards 2018.
- All nominations submitted become the sole property of The Rotary Clubs of West Perth and Mt Lawley and will not be returned.
- The judges reserve the right not to confer an award in any given category. The judges also reserve the right to declare joint winners in any given award category.
- The judges reserve the right to seek further information on a given nomination to allow full consideration for the award.
- The Rotary Clubs of West Perth and Mt Lawley reserve the right to use all or part of any material (photographs, submissions or any details) generated for the purpose of these awards for any publicity.
- The decision on winners and finalists in each category is final and no correspondence will be entered into.