

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 eight-week hospitalization, his family was awestruck by the care and compassion his nurses provided not only to Pat but to everyone in his family. 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 every day.

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 every day. Kootenai Health is proud to be a DAISY Award Partner offering recognition to our outstanding nurses throughout the year.

To find out more about the program, including the growing list of partners, visit DAISYfoundation.org.



In collaboration with:



[Download DAISY nominations
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Nursing Administration
208.666.3125 tel



2003 Kootenai Health Way
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814

The DAISY Award Nomination Form



*In Recognition of our
Extraordinary Nurses*



DAISY Award honorees at Kootenai Health personify remarkable patient experiences. These nurses consistently demonstrate excellence through their clinical expertise and extraordinary, compassionate care. They are recognized as outstanding role models in our nursing community.

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DAISY Award honorees are recognized at a public ceremony in their unit and receive: a beautiful certificate, a DAISY Award pin, and a hand-carved stone sculpture entitled *A Healer's Touch*. Additionally, the unit celebrates with cinnamon rolls – a favorite of Patrick Barnes in whose memory the DAISY Award was created. 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, and employees may nominate a deserving nurse by filling out this form and submitting it to Kootenai Health's Nursing Administration office. An electronic version for hospital employees is available on the Kloud.

Submit nominations to:

Nursing Administration
Kootenai Health
2003 Kootenai Health Way
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814
208.666.3125

I would like to nominate:

_____ from the
_____ unit/department

as a deserving recipient of the DAISY Award.

The nurse I am nominating consistently meets all of the following criteria:

- An excellent listener and communicator
- A creative problem solver
- Respectful and sensitive to patient and family needs; a patient advocate
- A committed team member
- A capable and knowledgeable clinician
- Always caring and compassionate

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



(Optional)

Your Name _____

Unit _____ Phone _____

Email _____

I am a: RN _____ Patient _____ Family/Visitor _____

MD _____ Staff _____ Volunteer _____ Other _____

Date of nomination _____

DAISY selections are made quarterly by Kootenai Health's Professional Nursing Council's Nurse Work Environment sub-group.

If you have any questions, please contact Kootenai Health Nursing Administration at 208.666.3125.

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