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# The Colin McNab Palliative & End of Life Care Prize

Following a generous gift from Border Caring Services, Scottish Care is delighted to announce the establishment of the Colin McNab Palliative and End of Life Care Prize.

Palliative and End of Life care is intrinsic to the delivery of quality social care across Scotland. It is care which makes a real difference to the lives of some of our most vulnerable citizens and their families. Within the social care workforce there are thousands of front line carers, nurses, ancillary staff, managers and supervisors who dedicate their lives to the professional care and support of individuals who are in receipt of palliative and end of life care.

This Prize has been established to support and enhance the often unheralded and unrecognised work of palliative care in our care home, care at home and housing support services.

## Who was Colin McNab?

Colin, a local Hawick solicitor, was one of that large band of generally behind the scenes volunteers who are Directors or Trustees of various Charitable organisations. He fulfilled several roles on the Board of Border Caring Services and his knowledge of the Health and Care sectors and his legal and business expertise was valued. Colin died in January 2018 in the Beatson Cancer Hospital after being diagnosed with terminal cancer a year earlier. Impressed by the various levels of care he experienced he was also aware of the need for greater recognition of the true value of the care worker, whether in a care home or in a person's own home. It is with Colin very much in mind that we are pleased to support this award/prize in his name and which will also carry the ethos of Border Caring Services forward for a little longer.

## What is the prize?

**An Award of £2,000 will be given to an individual working within the care home sector.**

**An Award of £2,000 will be given to an individual working within the care at home and/or housing support sector.**

**The Prize should be used to support personal learning and development. For instance, it may be used to contribute to further academic and skills training, attendance at a conference, purchase of resources etc.**

**The use of the Prize will be subject to approval by Scottish Care.**

## Who can apply?

The Prize is open to any worker within a service which is a member of Scottish Care.

The individual should be currently delivering palliative and end of life care.

## How to apply:

Individuals are asked to submit a Prize Profile describing the palliative and end of life care work they currently undertake. This should be no more than two pages of A4. Please clearly specify whether this is under the Care Home or Care at Home/Housing Support category.

The Prize will be awarded to an individual who has shown particular commitment to the delivering of palliative and end of life care (PEOLC).

- Demonstrated compassion and excellence in delivering palliative and end of life care
- Identified opportunities for partnership working with families and other community and clinical supports
- Evidenced innovation or creativity in their work
- Promoted a personalised approach to palliative and end of life care to enable individuals to access care and support tailored to their needs

**Applicants should consider what it is that is particularly innovative, creative or unique in the work that they do.**

**Applications will open on 1 June and close on 31 July. Applications can be submitted via the Scottish Care website.**

**The Prize applications will be judged by an independent committee and the successful nominees will be informed by 31 August 2019.**



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