

Media Release

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State winners national contenders for ACSA's excellence awards

The dynamic individuals and organisations recognised at state level for their exceptional contribution to residential and community care will for the first time all be contenders for ACSA's national awards for excellence.

ACSA CEO Greg Mundy said integrating the awards was a great opportunity to showcase each state's winners at a national level.

"The awards are a means of paying tribute to the selfless people and organisations who strive every day to ensure older Australians enjoy quality care and support," Mr Mundy said.

The national awards will be presented at ACSA's annual conference being held this year in Hobart from September 19 – 22. The conference theme, *Explore the Possibilities*, will inspire delegates to explore new directions for aged care to meet the challenges of the future.

National finalists:

Employee Award:

Queensland – Alice Satterthwaite, Churches of Christ Care
NSW & ACT – Maida Chand, UnitingCare Ageing
Victoria – Mary Reid, Warramunda Village
Tasmania – Carol Pamplin, Queen Victoria Home
SA & NT – Carol Elliott, Barunga Village Inc,
WA – Margaret Hoare, Braemar Presbyterian Care

Trainee Award:

NSW & ACT - Michelle Coolwell, UPA Assoc of NSW
Victoria – Suzanne Beaston, Bupa Care Services
Tasmania – Margaret Byrne, Freemasons Homes of Southern Tasmania Inc
WA – Sue Hummerston, Uniting Church Homes

Volunteer Award:

NSW & ACT – Ian Gilbert, IRT
Victoria – Lilian Antonelli, Assisi Centre
Tasmania – Kathleen Medwin, Emmerton Park
SA & NT – Cosmo Camporeale, Associazione Nazionale Famiglie Degli Emigrati Inc (ANFE)
WA – Rita Stemmerik, Waminda, SwanCare Group

Media Award:

NSW & ACT – UnitingCare Ageing
Victoria – Benetas
SA & NT - Life Care – Churches of Christ
WA – Uniting Church Homes

Organisation Award:

Queensland – D & R Community Services Pty Ltd
NSW & ACT – IRT (Illawarra Retirement Trust)
Victoria – Warramunda Village
Tasmania – Huon Eldercare
SA & NT – Barunga Village Inc
WA – Braemar Presbyterian Care

Industry Supporter Award:

Queensland – SSS Australia
NSW & ACT – SmartCare
Victoria – Verso Consulting
SA & NT – Combined Charities Incorporated
WA – EPAC Salary Solutions

For more information on the national conference and to *Explore the Possibilities* visit
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