

Do you know a Lothians Health Hero?

LAST CHANCE TO HONOUR LOTHIAN HEALTH HEROES

Deadline for Scottish Health Awards 2013 approaches

Lothians residents are called upon to nominate their local healthcare heroes for an accolade at the Scottish Health Awards 2013 by the deadline of **6 September 2013**.

Hundreds of nominations have been received from across Scotland but many more worthy healthcare teams and top professionals are yet to be recognised for their dedication to providing outstanding patient care.

With the NHS in Scotland helping more than 150,000 Scots every day, the judges are looking for Scotland's finest NHS workers and volunteers from across every area of healthcare including therapists, GPs, specialist carers or volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes of NHS Scotland.

Last year, there were four winners from the Lothian area at the Scottish Health Awards 2012, including Dr Paul Eunson, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children for the prestigious Doctor Award.

There are 16 award categories, including the Nurses Award, the Volunteers Award, the Top Team Award and the renowned Doctors Award.

Alan Boyter, Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development, NHS Lothian, said:- "Our dedicated staff work tirelessly to make a difference to people's lives throughout Lothian.

"I encourage people to take the time to thank the healthcare professionals who care for them every day. You can do this by

nominating your health hero and letting them know their efforts are appreciated.”

The awards will culminate in an award ceremony on the 7th November 2013 at the Corn Exchange in Edinburgh.

To nominate your healthcare hero visit www.scottishhealthawards.com.

The closing date for nominations is the **6th September 2013**.