



Updates from the GSF Team

75 Care Homes, Domiciliary Care Agencies, Hospital Wards, Retirement Villages, Hospices and Primary Care Practices have achieved GSF Accreditation & Re-Accreditation!



We would like to share our congratulations to all of the wonderful organisations who have achieved GSF Accreditation and Re-Accreditation. We loved celebrating with you all at our Awards Ceremony on Friday 7th October at Ambassadors Bloomsbury Hotel in London.

Hill House in Surrey win Care Home of the Year 2022!



Hill House in Surrey wins GSF Care Home of the Year 2022 for its outstanding end of life care. Hill House were given this award as part of the Gold Standards Framework Awards Ceremony held at Ambassadors Bloomsbury Hotel in London on Friday 7th October 2022, which recognises health and social care providers delivering quality care in the final year of life. Hill House was one of six finalists up to win this prestigious award, who were all applauded for their excellent end of life care.

"At Hill House we believe in placing the emphasis on "Comfort with Care", enriching and enhancing the quality of the lives of our residents. We believe in being a centre of excellence for care within our region and continue to embrace the mantra - 'it's all about living well until you die'." **Hill House, Surrey**

Congratulations to all of our Care Home of the Year 2022 Finalists:

- Chelston Park & Chelston Gardens, Somerset
- Fairlie House, London
- Hill House, Surrey
- Silverways Nursing Home, Dorset
- St Mary's Court Care Home, Essex
- Westside Nursing Home, Surrey

"Hill House have demonstrated longevity of GSF within the home at a very high standard of practice. The home exhibits a full team approach – a team that is devoted to those they care for and this has been measured by their competency, expertise, loyalty and longevity but also by their compassion. A home that displays a strong leadership that is proactive and innovative supporting staff to improve care in and outside of the home – this is strengthened further by a palliative care lead in post." **Ginny Allen, Social Care Lead, GSF**

St Brelades Ward, Alderney Hospital in Dorset win Ward of the Year 2022!



A Dorset Healthcare University NHS Foundation Trust hospital has won Ward of the Year 2022. St Brelades were one of five finalist wards up to receive this prestigious award.

Congratulations to all of our Ward of the Year 2022 Finalists

- Launceston Ward, Launceston Community Hospital
- Lismore Ward, Helston Community Hospital
- St Brelades Ward, Alderney Hospital
- The Willows, Yeatman Hospital
- Ward 9 & Coniston Suite, Furness General Hospital

“We are very grateful to The Gold Standards Framework for the structure and guidance it provides for our practice. The framework is completely in line with our values as a trust and as a team and we are so pleased to be amongst those across the country receiving the Platinum re-accreditation. To win Ward of the Year and for the team's efforts and dedication to be recognised, has been incredible. This is a whole-team achievement and as a mental health inpatient ward working primarily with dementia patients, it means so much for our efforts to be recognised and celebrated, considering the additional challenges we face in our field. We are also very thankful for the ongoing support we receive from our Advanced Nurse Practitioner and Palliative Care Specialist Jane Rickett, who has been fundamental to this achievement. We strongly believe that no matter who you are, you deserve to receive excellent end of life care.” **Caitlin Day, Clinical Team Leader, St Brelades Ward**



Cape Hill Medical Centre in Birmingham win Primary Care Practice of the Year 2022!



Cape Hill was one of two finalists, along with Priory Medical Group in York up to win the prestigious GSF Primary Care Practice of the Year Award at the GSF Awards Ceremony at Ambassadors Bloomsbury Hotel in London on Friday 7th October.

Congratulations to all of our Primary Care the Year 2022 Finalists

- Cape Hill Medical Centre
- Priory Medical Group

“Congratulations to all the finalists who were nominated for organisation of the year. The winners demonstrated continued developments in end of life care from working with the homeless, employing specialist roles within the social care sector, and continuing to improve mental health and well-being for all inpatients. I am so proud of everyone who achieved accreditation, meeting the teams that have been accredited two, three, four and five times, and it was a real honour to be able to celebrate with them in their success face to face. It was such a joy for all the GSF team.” **Julie Armstrong-Wilson, Chief Operating Officer, GSF**

GSF Training & Accreditation Dates

Upcoming Training

Care Homes Training & Accreditation Programme: Wednesday 11th January 2023

Care Homes Training & Accreditation Programme: Tuesday 4th April 2023

Domiciliary Care Training & Accreditation Programme: Tuesday 11th April 2023

Hospitals Training & Accreditation Programme: Tuesday 18th April 2023

Upcoming FREE Accreditation/Re-Accreditation Refresher Sessions:

Domiciliary Care: Thursday 1st December 2022

Care Homes: Thursday 8th December 2022

Retirement Villages: Tuesday 29th November 2022

Hospitals: Wednesday 30th November 2022

As you will have been informed by Sue when we invited you for re-accreditation, our Accreditation cycle is now going to be held on an annual basis. The next invitations for Accreditation & Re-Accreditation will be sent out on Monday 9th January 2023. We recommend that you join one of our refresher sessions in December which recaps the whole Accreditation process. For more information, please contact the team by emailing info@gsfcentre.co.uk.

Action for Happiness Calendar Link

The Action for Happiness monthly calendars are one of the tools we have introduced as a team and more widely used in our training. Reflecting on the note of the day offers reflective practice, stimulates new thoughts or new ways of working and ultimately makes us smile. You can view the latest calendar here: actionforhappiness.org/calendar

Your Success Stories

As always, we are keen to hear about how you have implemented and embedded GSF in your organisation, and would like to share your stories! If you're happy to be interviewed, please email Ann-Marie@gsfcentre.co.uk.

We are Recruiting

If you are a registered nurse and passionate about End of Life Care then come and join our team of experienced Clinical Associates. For all enquiries, please email info@gsfcentre.co.uk or download an Application Form here: <https://www.goldstandardsframework.org.uk/we-are-recruiting>

Best Regards,



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