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The **NHS Parliamentary Awards** supported by **Fujifilm UK**, is an annual awards programme run by the NHS, in partnership with Dods, designed to give Members of Parliament (MPs) the opportunity to recognise the achievements of teams and organisations across the health and social care sector.

These awards also provide an excellent opportunity for health and care organisations to engage with their local MPs, tell them about the work they do, and build or strengthen ongoing relationships.

This year, the National Health Service is preparing to mark the anniversary of its foundation after the most challenging time in its 73-year history.

Coronavirus has been a global health emergency on a scale not seen for a century. The NHS, which first opened its doors at Trafford Park Hospital on 5 July 1948, responded swiftly and flexibly to deal with the pandemic. Staff – present, past and future – have had to come together as never before, supported by volunteers and the public.

The nation owes a debt of gratitude to the 1.3 million-strong army of nurses, midwives, doctors, physios, pharmacists, healthcare and maternity care assistants porters, cleaners, and countless other staff who have gone above and beyond in the fight against coronavirus, treating tens of thousands of patients and delivering the biggest vaccination programme in history.

Along, of course, with the other key workers such as care staff, teachers, transport workers, delivery drivers and shop assistants who kept the country running. The Awards are not just for clinical roles or individuals and are not confined to NHS staff either. MPs can nominate charities who provide essential services to patients, those who have fought to change the way care is delivered and volunteers new or old.

Since we started the awards in 2018, **over 450 Members of Parliament have nominated** an individual or organisation for an award. Last year, we received **over 500 nominations from MPs**. The national judging panel was blown away by the talent, creativity and brilliance in the NHS and health community identified by England's MPs.

We know how much these awards have meant to all those who have been nominated in previous years. To have the skill, professionalism and compassion of the NHS recognised and celebrated is a huge boost, not just to those selected but to their colleagues and their organisations. This year, from more than 700 entries submitted by almost half of all MPs in England, senior NHS experts have chosen seventy outstanding nominations, which exemplify the best of what the NHS and its partners do day in, day out.

These regional champions – including NHS volunteers, patients, local council health teams and the creators of extraordinary digital innovations – and the MP that supported them, will now be invited to a National Awards Ceremony, which will take place on **7 July 2021** and will be hosted by **Dr Sara Kayat**.

For the first time ever, we will also be streaming the ceremony live, and everyone will be

able to register to watch the ceremony live online on the day.

[Click here to register to watch the Ceremony.](#) [1]

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