



A year of awards and achievements

The Countess has achieved a lot over the past year and we thought that it would be a good idea to highlight the various awards that the Trust has won and been nominated for. Here is our summary of our award nominations for the past 12 months.

Top 40 Hospital for the tenth year in a row

On Wednesday 12th May, Dr Virginia Clough (Medical Director) and Mr David Semple (Clinical Director) were invited to London for the CHKS Top Hospitals Conference and Awards.



They received yet another 40 Top Hospitals Award – our tenth in succession. This is a fantastic achievement as there are only five hospitals in the country who have won this award ten years in a row and it is reassuring that our ongoing drive for excellence in clinical care is recognised in this way.

The awards are based on the evaluation of 21 key performance indicators covering safety, clinical effectiveness, health outcomes, efficiency, patient experience and quality of care.

Lean Healthcare Award for Countess

The Trust recently won the 'Project of the Year' and 'People's Choice Award' categories at the Lean Healthcare Academy Awards 2010.



The Trust's Transformation Programme Team applied for the category of 'Project of the Year' based upon the Lean Transformation Programme

that has produced real benefits for the Trust over the last 18 months.

The award goes to all levels of staff that have been paramount in achieving this and it is a significant milestone on our journey along the Countess Way.

Health Service Journal award shortlist

We were also short-listed for the Health Service Journal Acute Organisation of the Year 2010 award. The HSJ Awards are very high profile and recognise innovation, best practice and inspiration in the healthcare profession.



To be shortlisted in this category is a significant achievement.

Volunteer Services award triumph

The Trust's Voluntary Services department was recently nominated for the Cheshire West and Chester Positive Awards for Business. The panel of judges decided to reward the Trust in the category of 'Employee Support within a Voluntary Organisation'.



In addition to this great achievement, Voluntary Services Co-ordinator, Sue Cornick, was personally awarded the Overall Winner Award 2010, which is in recognition of all the good work the service does in relation to the full list of award categories listed on the night.

Congratulations to Sue and the rest of Voluntary Services for this fantastic achievement.

More information

The latest round of Leadership Briefings focus on an early look at 2011/12. The remaining sessions are scheduled for the following dates and take place in the Boardroom. Please put one of the sessions in your diaries.

Tues 18th Jan: 12.30 - 1.30pm
Wed 26th Jan: 12.00 - 1.00pm

Copies of all Countess Way briefings and bulletins can also be found in the Countess Way section of the Intranet, which is located under "C" in the A to Z.

If you have any suggestions or questions relating to the Trust's ongoing developments, please feel free to contribute to the Q&A Board which can be found in the Countess Way section of the Intranet.

