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Dear Stakeholder

The **Military and Civilian Health Partnership Awards 2010** were launched today, 27 May 2010. This is the third year of these prestigious awards.

The Military and Civilian Health Partnership Awards aim to recognise and promote the successful partnership between members of the Defence Medical Services and the civilian bodies, whether public or private, connected to the healthcare of the UK Armed Forces.

The National awards ceremony will be held later this autumn and awards will go to the best individual or team in the following categories:

- Innovation and Service Development Award
- Education and Training Award
- Health Improvement and Promotion Award
- Mental Health Award
- Healthcare Reservist of the Year
- Healthcare Regular of the Year Award
- Healthcare Civilian of the Year Award
- Care of Veterans Award
- Deployed Healthcare Award

The awards are open to military and civilian healthcare professionals either in the NHS, its partners, the Ministry of Defence or private organisations and present a wonderful opportunity to promote and recognise the work of the NHSScotland and its partners who provide care to the armed forces in Scotland. The awards ceremony will be a prestigious occasion.

Individuals or teams can self nominate, or be nominated by others. The judging panels will comprise members of the MoD, the UK Health Departments, other Civilian and independent members.

We are keen to reflect the width of work undertaken, not just by NHSScotland but by all organisations in Scotland who play an important role in providing healthcare to our service personnel. I would encourage you to support these awards to ensure that we have a good number of Scottish nominations. Further information on the awards and how your organisation can support the awards – including a communications toolkit and resources – can be found at: www.militarycivilianhealthawards.org.

I would be grateful if you could make this information as widely available as possible within your organisation.



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