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The BMJ Awards: Deadline approaches for 13th annual excellence awards

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Healthcare teams across the UK have until midnight on 21 June to submit their entries to the 13th annual BMJ Awards that recognise innovative and patient centred care.

The awards give clinicians a chance to showcase their team's achievements in transforming care and to accelerate the integration of innovative ideas into practice and secure further research funding.

Winners of the Stroke and Cardiovascular Team of the Year at the BMJ Awards 2020 said, "The Reach HF team has been awarded grants from the British Heart Foundation and the National Institute for Health Research since we were shortlisted in February 2020. We are hoping to rollout the home based programme more widely so more patients with heart failure can benefit from rehabilitation."

There are 16 categories to enter this year (see box), with the shortlists to be announced at the end of July.

The judging sessions will take place between Tuesday 21 and Thursday 23 September when each shortlisted team will have 10 minutes to present its entry and another 15 minutes to respond to questions from the judges. The judges will place particular weight on the outcomes of a project, along with its costs, originality, and impact.

The winners will be announced on Wednesday 29 September at 6 pm in a virtual ceremony. A representative for the winning team will be interviewed virtually by the awards host, to hear more directly about particular elements of their project.

Following the ceremony, The BMJ's Winners Brochure will be live on the website, which will provide an overview of each winning project, and include quotes from the winning teams. Winners can also showcase their work internationally by hosting an ePoster on the International Forum on Quality and Safety in Healthcare's content hub.

The 16 categories for the 2021 awards are:

- Anaesthesia and perioperative medicine
- Cancer care
- Clinical leadership
- Critical care
- Diagnostics
- Dermatology
- Digital innovation
- Diversity and inclusion
- Respiratory
- Environmental sustainability and climate action
- Mental health
- Women's health
- Primary care
- Quality improvement
- Workforce and wellbeing
- Stroke and cardiovascular

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