***Award Category:***  (please select the category you are applying for)

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|  | Transforming the Patient Experience |
|  | Patient Safety First |
|  | Delivering Value-Based Integrated Care |
|  | Supporting our People and Culture |
|  | Keeping People Healthy |
|  | Health Research and Digital Innovation |
|  | Excellence in the Provision of Mental Health Services |
|  | Planetary Health |

Note: Project teams may apply for multiple categories; however a separate entry addressing the different criteria is required for each category.

**Has this project/program been entered into the NSLHD Quality and Improvement Awards previously?**

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| No | Yes Year entered: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and category: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

Note: Projects entered in previous years may submit an entry into this year’s awards but need to provide evidence of improved outcomes from the date of their last submission using data and metrics, and /or have successfully spread to other areas.

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| **Team / project name** |  |
| **Hospital / Service / Network** |  |
| **Project lead / main contact** | *Name, position title, email* |
| **Contact number** |  |
| **Project sponsor** | *Name, position title, email* |
| **Team members**  Please list all members of your team and partners | *Name, position title, email* |

***Local support:***

*Applicants are encouraged to seek advice and support from quality managers and quality advisors within your local hospital site or health service to review entries and guide data presentation. For a list of contacts see the* [*NSLHD Quality and Improvement Awards intranet page*](http://intranet.nslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/ClinicalNet/cgu/QI/QualityAwards/Pages/NSLHD%20Quality%20Awards.aspx)*.*

*All members of the team must support the entry of the project for an award including the project sponsor such as divisional managers or network directors.*

***Endorsement:***

*The following endorsement indicates support for the entry to progress for judging.*

*Please be guided by your local Quality Manager for advice on the sign off required.*

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|  | Name | Signature ***◊*** | Date |
| Line Manager |  |  |  |
| Quality Manager  (if applicable) |  |  |  |
| **General Manager Service Director \*** |  |  |  |

***\* Entries must be endorsed by the General Manager, Service Director, Network or Executive Director.***

*◊ Endorsement via email will also be accepted.*

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| **Team / project name** 50 characters | |  |
| 1. **Abstract (max. 200 words).**   *Provide a clear succinct outline of the project initiative. Include the problem or challenge that your project addresses, the project aim, method, what change/s (actions) you introduced and the outcome achieved.*  *Include whether there was an economic or environmental impact as a result of your project.*  *Explain how the project/program relates to the award category. Refer to the Submission guide – 2023 NSLHD Quality and Improvement Awards* | | |
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| 1. **Alignment to the** [**NSLHD Strategic Plan 2022-2027**](https://www.nslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/AboutUs/Pages/Our-Strategic-Plan.aspx).   *Please tick each appropriate priority your project is aligned to. Note you can select more than one.*  Patients and carers are our partners in their healthcare.  Safe, high quality and connected care.  Keeping people healthy and well.  Our staff are engaged and well supported.  Research, innovation and digital advances inform and improve the delivery of patient care.  Our services are sustainable, efficient and committed to planetary health. | | |
| 1. **Innovation and Originality (max 250 words).**   *Describe how the project used a new and/or creative approach to an existing issue. If the project/program is using a known innovation, explain the extent to which it has been implemented differently/innovatively.* | | |
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| 1. **Sustainable and scalable (max. 250 words).**   *Describe the reasons your project was successful and what you have in place to sustain the outcomes when your team is no longer driving it. Provide evidence describing how changes have been embedded into practice. Include whether your project has been spread to another area or whether it has the potential to be spread to other services/settings.*  *A useful guide to assess the strength of project sustainability:* [*NHS Sustainability Model*](http://intranet.nslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/ClinicalNet/cgu/QI/QualityProjects/Documents/Improvement%20Science%20Resources/NHS-Sustainability-Model-2010%20%281%29.pdf) *(NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement).* | | |
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| 1. **Improved outcomes** *(max 200 words).*   *Explain how your project has led to improved outcomes for patients, staff, community or organisation. These may be either direct or flow-on depending on the nature of the project. For example improved productivity or service efficiency; improved the carbon footprint by improving environmental impact, reducing waste, or increasing cost savings; better outcomes in the community, including social and emotional wellbeing.*  *Provide any available data supporting these improved outcomes. This might include evaluation measures, cost or efficiency savings to the patient, hospital, or organisation, patient feedback, quality measures.*  *Tables/graphs/diagrams are to be included as an attachment. Please ensure these are referred to in the text.* | | |
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| 1. **Productivity and value for money** (*max 100 words).*   *Show how the project/program demonstrates an improvement in productivity and efficiency/value for money. Include any metrics, examples, research/evaluation programs or publications.* | | |
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| **CORE VALUES**  *Please provide a short sentence explaining how your project/program relates to the CORE value of:* | | |
| **Collaboration**  *90 words* |  | |
| **Openness**  *90 words* |  | |
| **Respect**  *90 words* |  | |
| **Empowerment**  *90 words* |  | |
| 1. **Partnerships and teamwork** *(max 90 words)*   *Explain how the project has effectively engaged key stakeholders i.e. consumers/other departments.* | | |
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| 1. **References** (where applicable).   *Harvard Referencing Style (*[*https://libguides.library.usyd.edu.au/c.php?g=508212&p=3476130*](https://libguides.library.usyd.edu.au/c.php?g=508212&p=3476130)*)* | | |
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| 1. **Attachment included?**  Yes  No   *A maximum of two A4 page attachment with relevant graphs, tables, diagrams will be accepted.*  *Ensure attachments are relevant to the entry and their purpose is clear to the judges.*  *These should be clearly referenced in the entry text or listed below with descriptions of how each one supports the nomination.* | | |
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Entries must be submitted by **5pm, Thursday 6 April 2023**

Please email endorsed completed entry forms (**pdf** and **word copy**) to [NSLHD-Awards@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:NSLHD-Awards@health.nsw.gov.au)