The outstanding contribution made by NHS apprentices from across the country will be celebrated at a prestigious event in London today.

The National NHS Apprenticeship Celebration Awards 2016/17 will see prizes awarded to apprentices whose hard work has been recognised for the impact they have had on a service. Apprentices working across a wide range of NHS settings have been nominated by their teams for an award.

Philip Dunne, Minister of State for Health will attend the event alongside Professor Ian Cumming, Chief Executive, Health Education England (HEE) and Alison Lynch, Director of Nursing and Quality at Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.
Professor Ian Cumming said:

Health Education England recognises the important role that apprenticeships play in supporting the delivery of NHS services. Last year alone there were over 19,820 apprenticeship starts in the NHS.

There are some real success stories and it is fantastic that we are able to celebrate all the hard work and achievements that individuals have made in their own personal careers and to the NHS. There are over 100 different apprenticeship types in the NHS and we are seeing the opportunities available continuing to grow.

**Article update**

We would like to extend our thanks and congratulations to the winners:

- Atlanta Marshall, Health and Social Care Apprentice Health Care Support Worker Level 2, recognised for her outstanding contribution to the team
- Bobbie Greer, IAO Level 3 Award in Employment and personal Learning Skills in Health and IOA Level 3 in Clinical Healthcare Support, recognised for her outstanding contribution to patient care and service delivery
- Tara Moynihan, Level 4 Project Management, recognised for being influential and showing great leadership
- Samantha Misslebrook, Business Administration level 2 and 3, recognised for demonstrating the NHS values
- Dawn Cochrane, Healthcare Support Services Apprenticeship Level 2, recognised for her progression and improvement
- Olivia Lingard, Level 2 Business Administration, recognised for her progression and improvement
- Daniela Salazar Diaz, Advanced Apprenticeship in Clinical Healthcare Support, recognised for demonstrating the NHS values
- Darren Ash, Business Administration Intermediate Level 2, recognised for his contribution to the team
- Rachel Burgess, Level 5 Diploma for Assistant Practitioners in Healthcare, Higher Apprenticeship, recognised for her outstanding contribution to patient care and service delivery
- Merrin Honey, Business Administration Level 2, recognised for her outstanding contribution to the team
- Nicola Allen, Level 3 Clinical Healthcare Support Advanced Apprenticeship, recognised for her outstanding contribution to patient care and service delivery
- Matt Masters, Business Administration Level 2, recognised for being influential and showing great leadership skills
- Matty Finch, Level 2 Intermediate Clinical Healthcare Support, recognised for being influential and showing great leadership skills.

Find out more about [HEE’s role in supporting apprenticeships](https://www.hee.nhs.uk/news-blogs-events/news/nhs-apprentices-celebrated-national-event) [6].

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