



Vision UK call for nominations for their four new thematic awards and the Astbury Award 2019

Vision UK, are delighted to invite nominations for their four new thematic award and the Astbury Award, named for former VISION 2020 UK Chair and inaugural recipient Nick Astbury.

Vision UK's new thematic awards will be awarded in recognition of work that is centred around their four strategic priorities:

- Evidence and statistics
- Research, cures and treatments
- Services, support and care
- Public perception of sight loss

The Astbury Award recognises excellence in collaboration within the eye health and sight loss sector.

Nominations will be accepted from those working in the whole width of the eye health and sight loss sector.

All nominations will be assessed according to impact/outcome by an independent and impartial panel of judges.

Vision UK CEO, Matt Broom, said, "We are delighted to once again be recognising the hard work, commitment and dedication of those working in the eye health and sight loss sector. The new strategic priority awards will allow us to recognise the variety of work across the sector and the Astbury Award 2019 will build on the excellent foundation of effective and collaborative working fostered by Mr Nick Astbury and awards from previous years. We invite representatives from all of our member organisations and beyond to join us by nominating individuals or teams to celebrate great work and promote the benefits of partnership working across the whole sector."



The closing date for nominations is Friday 20 September. The winner will be notified in early October and invited to the evening awards ceremony at the Vision UK and RSM Conference Forward view: Vision and eye health 9 October 2019.

Forward view: Vision and eye health is the multidisciplinary conference which will bring together health care professionals and vision experts to discuss, engage and create positive strategies for the vision sector. The conference will encompass interactive workshops with tangible takeaways, present new research and updates for all involved in eye health and associated care.

This is a joint conference between the RSM GP with Primary Health Care Section, Vision UK and in association with the RSM Ophthalmology Section and Digital Health Section. For more information and to book please go to <https://rsm.ac/VisionUK>

Nomination guidance notes and form attached.

Nomination forms should be sent via e-mail to:
info@vision2020uk.org.uk

Editor notes:

Vision UK is the independent partnership organisation which works with organisations in the eye health and sight loss sector and beyond for the benefit of blind and partially sighted people, their communities and the general population including those at risk of sight loss

The Royal Society of Medicine (RSM) is one of the country's major providers of postgraduate medical education. Independent and apolitical, the RSM promotes an exchange of information and ideas on the science, practice and organisation of medicine.

RSM General Practice with Primary Healthcare Section Actively works to remind all professionals in Primary Care that multi-disciplinary

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professions will need to work together to make the new NHS commissioning groups successful.

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