



Press Release

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New prize for student Health Visitors announced

Community nursing charity The Queen's Nursing Institute has announced the creation of a new prize for student Health Visitors, named in memory of Dora Roylance, a former Queen's Nurse and Health Visitor.

The new prize is offered for outstanding students who have completed the Specialist Community Public Health Nursing (SCPHN) Health Visitor programme. The prize is available at every university in England, Wales or Northern Ireland where the programme is offered. The Health Visitor programme leaders at each university may nominate one student to receive the prize each year.

Dr Crystal Oldman, QNI chief executive commented:

'We are able to offer this prize thanks to the generosity of a Queen's Nurse, Dora Roylance, who passed away in 2016 at the age of 100. Dora left a legacy to the QNI that enabled us to create this prize in her name.'

'Dora became a Queen's Nurse in 1939 and become a Health Visitor six years later, thanks to a QNI training bursary. Dora went on to work as a nurse and a Health Visitor for the rest of her career and always maintained her connection with the QNI.'

'The QNI supports excellence and outstanding achievement in education. By offering educational prizes such as this we can help support future career development in community nursing specialties.'

'The award is just the start of a journey and an association with the QNI which we anticipate will last a lifetime, in the same way that Dora Roylance's relationship with the QNI endured to the end of her life.'

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More information about the prize and the nomination form may be found on the QNI's website at: <https://www.qni.org.uk/explore-qni/qni-awards/dora-roylance-memorial-prize/>

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