

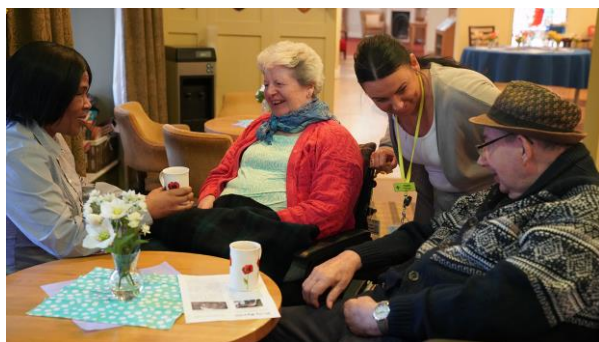
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Veterans' charity shortlisted for Student Nursing Times Awards

The Royal Star & Garter Homes has been named as a finalist in the prestigious Student Nursing Times Awards.

The Charity, which cares for ex-Servicemen and women and their partners living with disability or dementia, is one of nine shortlisted in the Nursing Associate Training Programme Provider of the Year category.

The Charity has played a key role in the development and roll-out of the Trainee Nursing Associates (TNAs) programme, and has been involved in the national project from the beginning.



The Royal Star & Garter Homes has been providing placements to TNAs since 2017 from its Home in Surbiton, and is also one of only a few care homes to put forward its own staff for the programme, with its first cohort three Health Care Assistants starting their two-year course in January 2019.

Director of Care, Pauline Shaw OBE, said: *“We’re proud to have welcomed TNAs since the Health Education England (HEE) pilot began in 2017. It allows us to offer opportunities for learners to experience best practice in adult social care, demonstrating how quality care should look like. TNAs also benefit from working with our skilled dedicated multi-disciplinary team. To be shortlisted reflects on the excellent work carried out by the team at our Home in Surbiton.”*

One of the TNAs placed at The Royal Star & Garter Homes was deaf Health Care Assistant Gary Cutmore. He hopes to inspire others with auditory problems to achieve their goals, and praised the Charity for how it adapted to deal with his hearing loss during his placement. Gary has been shortlisted in the Most Inspirational Student Nurse of the Year category at the same Awards.

The Student Nursing Times Awards take place on 26 April at The Grosvenor House Hotel, London.

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About The Royal Star & Garter Homes:

The Charity provides award-winning care for veterans and their partners who live with disability or dementia.

The Royal Star & Garter Homes is a charity founded in 1916 to care for the severely injured men returning from the battlegrounds of the First World War.

Today our friendly, state-of-the-art Homes offer a pioneering approach to nursing, dementia and therapeutic care. We have award-winning Homes in Solihull, West Midlands and Surbiton, Surrey. Our third Home in High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire opened in spring 2019. We are expanding our services to reach even more veterans through our day care service – the Star & Garter Club – and interim care for young disabled Service personnel.

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