



Scottish Social Services Awards

The Scottish Social Services Awards recognise and celebrate the work of the social services sector in Scotland and those that work in it.

It has been set up by the Social Work Services Strategic Forum, which launched a new [shared vision and strategy for social services 2015-2020](#). Partners include the Scottish Government, Cosla, Social Work Scotland, Scottish Social Services Council, the Care Inspectorate, Scottish Care, CCPS, SASW, SOLACE, UNISON, Iriss and Higher Education Social Work.

The awards aim to share good practice and help promote understanding of the contribution of social services. We will ask entrants who are shortlisted to put together a 1-2 minute video to tell their story using a smart phone. Help and support will be available and more details will be provided to those when they are shortlisted.

How to enter

The awards are open to people who are registered with SSSC or the Care Inspectorate, working in the social services organisations across all sectors in Scotland. You can also nominate others. Shortlisted entries will be checked where possible by the appropriate regulator.

If you are entering on behalf of your team, organisation or a colleague we recommend that you obtain their permission before submitting an entry. All winning entries must agree to be made publicly available on the website and social media and for other PR or media opportunities.

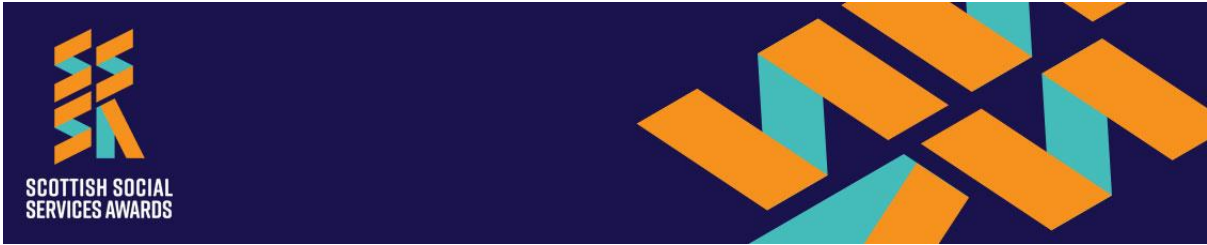
There are **ten categories** which have different criteria which applications will need to meet. You can put in an application to more than one category but you must make sure that each submission shows how it meets the different **criteria** the judges will look for. Read more in our [hints and tips](#).

Shortlisted entries will be invited to attend the afternoon awards ceremony at Crieff Hydro Hotel on 13 June 2017. At least one representative must be able to attend.

All entries must:

- relate to practice or work carried out over the last two years up to the 28 February 2017
- avoid the use of jargon and be written in plain English – imagine that you are explaining it to a stranger
- be no more than 1,300 words, or you risk being disqualified
- be submitted via the online form on the website www.sssa-awards.org/scot
- be received by the deadline of 6.00pm on 28 February 2017
- not include any supporting information

If you are experiencing technical problems with the portal or have any questions about the entry process please contact: ssa@shscevents.co.uk



COPY OF ENTRY FORM

This is a copy of the entry form for guidance only. You will need to complete the [online version of this form](#). We recommend that you create and save a word version of your submission in advance of using the online portal. If you are having any technical difficulties please contact sssa@shscevents.co.uk

Please make sure that you have fully considered the categories that you are entering before you write your submission. Each category requires you to answer specific questions and demonstrate evidence of meeting different criteria. Find out more in our [hints and tips](#) section.

Name of person applying:

Position:

Name of project, service, individual entering or nomination:

Organisation:

Award category (number and name):

Overview: provide a short introduction to the person, project or service. Briefly mention any aims and objectives if you think they are relevant. You must clearly outline how it relates to the [category](#) you are entering. You should answer any questions we have asked in the [introduction](#) for that award category.

(max 200 words)



What did you do? describe the work carried out and explain how it meets the [criteria](#) we have asked for in the '[what we are looking for](#)' section for that award. Highlight any practice which was distinctive, innovative or creative and include details of on-going work still in progress.

(max 500 words)

What did you achieve? describe and provide evidence of how the work has made a positive impact to the lives of those you have helped to support. Evidence can include research, practice, wisdom, service data or lived experience. Aim to reflect the criteria in the '[what we are looking for](#)' section where possible.

(max 500 words)



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Why should you receive an award? summarise the reasons you feel this person, project or issue deserves an award in no more than 100 words.

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