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### Children's Honors DAISY Winners at Annual Luncheon

Children's honored our DAISY Award winners from 2011 through April 2012 at a recent luncheon (see event pictures below article). We acknowledged their incredible talents and amazing contributions to bettering the lives of our patients. The DAISY Award recognizes nurses for their commitment to the highest standards of nursing and for making a difference in the lives of the patients and families we serve.

During the luncheon, we recognized **Erika Dockery**, **Fatimah Kareem** and **Kate McGinnis** as the most recent DAISY Award winners.

#### **Erika Dockery, Assistant Manager, Emergency, Scottish Rite**

The Emergency department is a fast moving areas at Scottish Rite, yet that doesn't seem to affect Erika. At the busiest times, she remains calm and compassionate—helping those around her feel more at ease. She is a hands-on leader and treats everyone with respect. Erika makes herself available to help her staff with whatever they need, whether it's patient care or scheduling concerns. "She is not only always willing to help—she genuinely appears to be happy to help," said one of her staff nurses. "She is truly one of the best reflections of great management at Children's." Erika is a valued and trusted member of her team. We are proud that she is part of Children's and lucky to have her.



#### **Fatimah Kareem, Staff Nurse-Colleague, Inpatient Unit, Hughes Spalding**

According to coworkers, it's easy to tell that Fatimah loves what she does and that the care she provides comes from her heart. Dependable and knowledgeable, she is the type of nurse her peers would want to treat their own kids. Fatimah is a true advocate for her patients and their families. She takes the time to fully address their medical and emotional needs. She also serves as a role model to other nurses—considered a mentor to many. In addition to providing excellent care, she regularly attends educational seminars to keep current on advancements in nursing. She is an active volunteer for patient events, and she is a source of encouragement to her unit. "I love working with Fatimah and absorbing all she has to offer," shared a fellow nurse.

#### **Kate McGinnis, Staff Nurse-Resource, NICU, Eggleston**

The NICU at Eggleston thrives on teamwork, nursing excellence and staunch devotion to our tiniest of patients. Kate is one of the unit's most dedicated nurses. After receiving a devastating diagnosis, a patient's family was in desperate need of direction and continuity of care. Kate stepped right in to educate them about their child's condition, but more importantly she bestowed upon them the wisdom to live in the moment and embrace the happy times with their son—one day at a time. Her unwavering dedication and kindness helped this family when they needed it most. This is just one of many examples of Kate's exceptional care. Her team attributed a Mark Twain quote to best describe their colleague. "Always do right—this will gratify some and astonish the rest." Kate has certainly done right by her patients, their families and her team.

Would you like to recognize a nurse with a DAISY Award? [Read the criteria](#). Then, print the nomination form.





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