The 2019 World Social Work Day highlights

‘Promoting the Importance of Human Relationships’.

“Relationship based practice” is also one of the three BASW headline objectives for this year.

Social Work is all about relationships. Relationships with clients, with partner agencies, with others involved in people’s lives. Professional relationships, but also relationships where the use of self in human interactions plays a part.

This year we are looking for evidence about Scotland based professionals who engage with the people they work with and for using a skillset that has been developed over time, through training, experience, but above all, by being themselves and the best they can be in their job, which is about people, interaction and communication.

Do you know those people who are understanding, respectful, compassionate, kind, appropriately challenging, inspirational, prepared to stand up for people, calm, non-judgemental? What makes this person / this team stand out? How do they make those essential connections, what are the relationships that support, protect, enable people to make changes? How do they manage to work within integrated settings, within communities, universities, other areas?
We are asking for nominations for:

- Social Worker
- Student Social Worker
- Social Work Team
- Practice Teacher
- Lecturer

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The shortlisted finalists are invited to attend an early evening event on **19th March in Edinburgh**. Winners will receive a trophy and a prize.

You can provide your evidence in any creative way you want! It can be a written statement, a podcast done on your phone, a recording, a cartoon, pictures with headlines. Send in nominations by **SUNDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2019** (extended deadline!) to scotland@basw.co.uk or our address below.

Your application will be even stronger if you can get someone else, a person who uses services, a line manager or a colleague to reinforce what you are telling us.

It is so important that we continue to stress the uniqueness of our profession on World Social Work Day, the key principles of human rights, social justice, professional integrity, and all the aspects of ethical practice. Please help us to do so!

Previous winners soundbites:

“I was so humbled to be recognised in this way”

“You don’t do this job to get awards but this felt so good”

“I was totally blown away, just to be nominated was so amazing”

“It was fabulous my family could understand why I am so often late”

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