



## **The Washington State Healthcare Safety Council**

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### **2012 LEW BROWN MEMORIAL AWARD**

Each year, the Washington State Healthcare Safety Council recognizes a single individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of health care safety.

The Lew Brown Memorial Award is presented each year in memory of Mr. Lew Brown, who was a loss control manager for a major insurance carrier and a member of the WSHSC for many years. Lew dedicated much of his career to the specialty of health care safety. He was always ready to go the extra mile to support health care safety issues.

Do you have an individual in your facility that has gone that "extra mile" in promoting safety? Do you partner with a key person in healthcare safety who promotes safety? Please consider nominating that person for the Lew Brown Memorial Award.

The enclosed nomination form is designed to make the nomination easy. You may include other supporting documentation.

You must be a member of the Washington State Healthcare Safety Council to nominate a candidate.

The winner will be announced in February 2013 and will receive a \$100 monetary award and a plaque.



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### 2012 LEW BROWN MEMORIAL AWARD NOMINATION FORM

NAME OF NOMINEE: Shannon Cook

TITLE: RN Staff

DEPARTMENT: Acute Care Unit

FACILITY: Jefferson Health Care

ADDRESS: 834 Sheridan Port Townsend WA

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Using the following safety criteria, please provide information in support of the person being nominated. Be as specific as possible in describing the qualities which your nominee demonstrates.

DIRECT INVOLVEMENT IN SAFETY PROGRAM: (Responsibilities, duties, role)

Member ACU Act team. Bring forward staff ideas and implements them to improve quality of care or work condition

SAFETY QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS: (Training, experience, education, personal growth development, continuing education)

Registered Nurse, Bachelor's Degree in Nursing

Previous training through IHI (Institute for Healthcare Improvement) in Transforming Nursing Care at the bedside.

SAFETY ORGANIZATIONS - PARTICIPATION:

Member Jefferson Healthcare Safety Committee,  
ACU Act team.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS/ACTIVITIES:

Shannon facilitated the creation of a safe patient handling algorithm and implemented it in the Acute Care Unit (ACU)



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COMMITMENT TO SAFETY (Personal): (support of Safety Program, priority for safety, good safety habits, etc.)

*Shannon has been an active member of the team to promote staff safety, engages in learning and sharing ideas with staff, maintains a continuous energy for this work*

HUMAN RELATIONS: (receptive, objective, demonstrates empathy, self-motivator, creative, thinks/works independently, reliable, good communication skills.

*Shannon is a respected RN leader. She is compassionate and detail oriented. She brings ideas forth and collaborates with staff and management to achieve safety goals.*

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

*The safe patient handling algorithm has been instrumental in promoting and sustaining staff safety. We are now spreading the concept to other departments because it has been so successful. Shannon was the driving force for this change.*

DEPARTMENT/INDIVIDUAL SUBMITTING NOMINATION:

Laura Showers RN, Director ACU/ICU  
(NAME, TITLE, AND DATE)

Jefferson Healthcare  
(DEPARTMENT AND FACILITY)

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(PHONE CONTACT)



SEND COMPLETED NOMINATION AND ANY ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION YOU WISH TO INCLUDE TO:

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**DEADLINE : January 30, 2013**