## **About The DAISY\* Foundation**

The DAISY Foundation was established in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died of complications of the auto-immune disease Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia Purpura (ITP) at the age of 33. During Patrick's eightweek hospitalization, his family was awestruck by the care and compassion his nurses provided not only to Patrick, but to everyone in his family. So, one of the goals they set in creating a Foundation in Pat's memory was to recognize extraordinary nurses everywhere who make an enormous difference in the lives of so many people by the super-human work they do every day.

\*DAISY is an acronym for diseases attacking the immune system.

## What is The DAISY Award?

The DAISY Award is an international program that rewards and celebrates the extraordinary clinical skill and compassionate care given by nurses every day. Roswell Park Cancer Institute is proud to be a DAISY Award Partner, recognizing one inpatient and one ambulatory nurse with this special honor every quarter.

To find out more about the program or to fill out our online nomination form, please visit roswellpark.org/nursing/daisy-award.







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## Nominate a Nurse for The DAISY Award

SHARE YOUR STORY!

DAISY Award honorees personify Roswell Park Cancer Institute's remarkable patient experience. These nurses consistently demonstrate excellence through their clinical expertise and extraordinary compassionate care. They are recognized as outstanding role models in our nursing community. Each DAISY Award Honoree will be recognized at a public ceremony in his/her unit and will receive: a beautiful certificate, a DAISY Award pin, and a hand-carved stone sculpture entitled "A Healer's Touch." Additionally, everyone in the unit will celebrate with Cinnabon® cinnamon rolls – a favorite of Patrick's during his illness. The Barnes Family asks that whenever and wherever nurses smell that wonderful cinnamon aroma, they stop for a moment and think about how special they are.

## How To Nominate an Extraordinary Nurse

Patients, visitors, nurses, physicians, and employees may nominate a deserving nurse by filling out this form and submitting it to Pamela McLaughlin, Nursing Recognition Council, located in ASB room K-134. This form can be handed to the secretary on your particular unit as well.

I would like to nominate

from the

unit/department as a deserving recipient of The DAISY Award.

This nurse's clinical skill and especially his/her compassionate care exemplify the kind of nurse that Roswell Park patients, their families, and Roswell Park staff recognize as an outstanding role model. He/she consistently meets all of the following criteria:

- Shows a connection with patients and families.
- Does an excellent job educating patients and families.
- Has a positive attitude and demonstrates professionalism in the work environment.
- Works well with all members of the healthcare team.
- Shows empathy.
- Exemplifies integrity.

Please describe a situation or story involving the nurse you are nominating that clearly demonstrates that he/she meets the criteria for The DAISY Award. Feel free to use additional pages. Thank you for taking the time to nominate an extraordinary nurse for this award. Please tell us about yourself, so that we may include you in the celebration of this award should the nurse you nominate be chosen.

Your Name (optional)

Department/Unit (optional)			
Phone (optional)			
Email (optional)			
I am (please check one): Patient Family/Visitor MD RN Staff Volunteer			
Date of Nomination			

Please submit this nomination to Pamela McLaughlin, Nursing Recognition Council, located in ASB room K-134. If you have any questions, please contact Pamela at ext. 5270 or email Pamela.McLaughlin@RoswellPark.org

