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LIST OF NOMINEES FOR HEALTHRIGHT AWARDS 2008

INDIVIDUAL

Cilla Zapantis has been a tireless worker at Rosedale Lodge, supporting the menu changes and healthy lifestyles program for residents, actively promoting socialisation and physical activity for the residents running regular activities for them and organising that several of them attend Graylands Day Centre activities. She also established regular walking groups for residents with one of the HealthRight Peer Supporters.

Kacey De'Brett works at the June O'Connor Centre in Fremantle and has organised regular golf outings for members and their families to Fremantle golf course, including involvement in weekly competitions and facilitating the donation of a golf buggy to one member.

Stephanie Ransome worked as a Peer Supporter in the PASS trial. She showed passion and enthusiasm for her work and made a significant difference to the life and physical health of the people she supported.

Thomas Proud worked as a Peer Supporter in the PASS trial. She showed passion and enthusiasm for her work and made a significant difference to the life and physical health of the people she supported.

Jean King worked as a Peer Supporter in the PASS trial. She showed passion and enthusiasm for her work and made a significant difference to the life and physical health of the people she supported.

Derek Horlin worked as a Peer Supporter in the PASS trial. She showed passion and enthusiasm for her work and made a significant difference to the life and physical health of the people she supported.

Vicki Steel is a co-ordinator at June O'Connor Centre in Rockingham and has worked closely with the HealthRight project to promote HealthRight activities to members and to facilitate walking groups.

Kathy Bruton, GP Liaison Officer in Peel Community Mental Health, has worked for many years to improve patient shared care between GPs and mental health services, and she has developed guidelines for GPs on physical health screening for patients of the mental health services.

Mark Franklin has progressed on his own recovery journey making lifestyle changes which have resulted in great improvements in his own physical health, to being a walking buddy in the Healthway funded healthy lifestyles program, and helping others to take care of their physical health.

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Dr Sue Jackson, as the Midland Street Doctor was a referring agent to the PASS trial. She was committed, caring and totally supportive of the service and is now working on a part-time basis with the Hills Community Support Group to further develop the service and to set up long-term research on peer support in her current role as a GP with the newly established Mobile GP service.

Sandra Westgate, GP Liaison Officer with Joondalup Community Mental Health, has worked closely with the HealthRight project since its inception. She facilitated the location of two Peer Supporters at short notice within the MH Services and has promoted HealthRight activities in the clinic.

Paula Edwards, Social Worker within the Rockingham Kwinana Mental Health Services provided day to day support and mentoring for two Peer Supporters working in the PASS trial. She has advocated for the service and worked hard in the community assisting participants to locate the services they require.

Margaret Muldoon in her role as GP Liaison Officer at Alma Street Centre worked closely with the HealthRight project to ensure the sharing and dissemination of information on the physical health of people with mental illness. She also set up regular talks to in-patients on the importance of attending to physical health needs and assisted them to access GPs if necessary.

Michael McCrystal provided office accommodation and great support to the two Peer Supporters working in Rockingham. He made them welcome as part of his Ruah team and embraced their contribution as workers in the team.

Trish Campbell, Social Worker with Ruah Community Services, was a key contributor to the development of the training program and resources for the PASS trial. She supervised Peer Supporters and was available for them at all times. She advocated for the service and has been committed to the continuation of HealthRight principles in the on-going Ruah Peer Support service.

Margaret Cook and Ginger Gordy were pioneers in researching and advocating for of the inclusion of Peer Support in the recommendations of the HealthRight Advisory Group. They have been passionate and committed about the need to take care of the physical health of people with mental illness and have continued to advocate for HealthRight at all stages of the project.

Carolyn Fisher has been an example to others in persisting with her own physical health goals despite a number of personal challenges. She has been prepared to share her story to help motivate others and it is posted on the HealthRight web site.