



National Caesarean Awareness Day – September 11th, 2011

Outstanding Childbirth Professional of the Year Award an initiative by Birthrites: Healing After Caesarean Inc

Birthrites: Healing After Caesarean Inc provides annual awards, usually coinciding with the celebration of National Caesarean Awareness Day on September 11th each year. These awards are presented to a Midwife, Obstetrician, and Doula who have provided excellent service in evidence-based, woman-centred maternity care*. It is our chance to recognise these people who make such a difference to our birthing experiences.

Nominations are now open, and forms can be submitted by anyone who has used one of the above services in the last twelve months (whether it be for a caesarean or vaginal birth). To nominate a childbirth professional of your choice – someone who has cared for you or cared for someone you know of in some outstanding way – please complete the attached Nomination Form and submit it to Birthrites for consideration on or before Sunday, September 11th, 2011 via one of the methods listed below:

- ❖ Mail – Send your Nomination Form to P.O. Box 62, Subiaco, WA, 6904
- ❖ Email – Copy and paste a completed text version of your Nomination Form to convenor@birthrites.org
- ❖ In Person – Nomination Forms will be available at our regular support group meetings and can be submitted to any Birthrites Coregroup Member. Support group meetings are held the first Friday of every month in the Leeming Family Centre (at the corner of Aulberry Pde and Farrington St) from 10am to 12noon. Anyone who has experienced caesarean is encouraged to attend; partners and children are welcome. Cost: \$2.

Please feel free to nominate childbirth professionals from more than one category. Your privacy will be ensured if you wish to remain anonymous to the award recipients. Please attach a separate sheet of paper if you need more room on your Nomination Form.

**Definitions:*

Evidence-based maternity care – The use of current, factual evidence in making decisions about the care of pregnant and birthing women.

Woman-centred maternity care – A model of care that aims to reduce the incidence of birth injury, trauma, and unnecessary interventions.

**Nomination Form
for
Birthrites Outstanding Childbirth Professional of the Year Award 2011**

Your Details

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am nominating a (please select all that apply): Midwife Obstetrician Doula

Date services were used: _____

Midwife Details

I am attaching a separate sheet of paper.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am nominating this Midwife because: _____

Obstetrician Details

I am attaching a separate sheet of paper.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am nominating this Obstetrician because: _____

Doula Details

I am attaching a separate sheet of paper.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am nominating this Doula because: _____

