

How to Enter

# **Entry Criteria & Instructions**

# ENTRY DEADLINE: 20 JUNE



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The <u>LaingBuisson Awards 2024</u> recognise and celebrate industry excellence and innovative services in the public, private and third sectors.

There are 29 categories available for you to enter. Please read through the following category descriptions in order to decide which categories are the most appropriate for you. You may enter as many categories as you wish, subject to the eligibility criteria for the category entered.

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#### **Social Care**

Excellence in Small Residential Care Smaller Organisation <1000 beds. Excellence in residential or nursing care for older people, with a focus on innovation and engagement with service users within a smaller organisation.

#### Care Home Group of the Year

Larger Organisation >1000 beds. Excellence in residential or nursing care for older people, with a focus on innovation and engagement with service users within a care home group.

#### **Excellence in Specialist Care**

Providers of specialist care for adults with physical or learning disabilities or mental health problems in a residential setting.

#### Excellence in Supported Living

Excellence in looking after adults with physical or learning disabilities or mental health problems in supported living.

#### **Excellence in Homecare**

Excellence in the provision of personal care or healthcare in the home setting with a focus on innovation and/or higher acuity services.

#### **Excellence in Retirement Housing**

Excellence in the provision and development of Retirement Villages or Extra Care.

#### Excellence in Children's Services

Excellence in the delivery of children's services in any setting (i.e. fostering, residential, school).

#### **Innovators & Leaders**

#### **Public Private Partnership**

Excellence in a strategic partnership between the public and independent sectors with a focus on outcomes, value for money and innovation.

#### Leadership Team of the Year

Excellence in management of a company which has delivered exceptional clinical or patient outcomes, financial results and employee engagement.

#### Innovation in Care

Awarding innovation in the delivery of care in any setting.

### **Clinical Services**

#### Hospital of the Year

Excellence in the provision of acute or mental health services within an independent hospital or NHS PPU with a focus on innovation and differentiation as a result of an individual hospital initiative or investment.

#### Hospital Group of the Year

Excellence, as a group, in the provision of acute or mental health services with a focus on innovation and differentiation as a result of a group initiative or investment.

#### **Best in Primary Care & Diagnostics**

Excellence in the delivery of healthcare services in the primary care setting including GP practices, diagnostics, integration with acute care (Integrated Care Systems) and disease management.

#### Best in Healthcare Outcomes

Excellence in the delivery of better healthcare outcomes with a focus on ability to demonstrate those outcomes.

#### Nursing Team of the Year

Excellence in the delivery of nursing services with a focus on innovation, patient management and engagement in the acute or mental health hospital setting across both NHS PPUs and Independent Hospital providers.

#### Health Tech Product of the Year

Innovation in technology in any setting, in the delivery or support of health and care using a product.

Technology Support Provider of the Year Recognising innovative technology support and services that have enabled health and care businesses to operate more effectively and improve patient care.

#### **Excellence in Training**

Innovation in the delivery of training to healthcare and /or social care professionals.

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#### **Rising Star**

A rising star in the world of healthcare and/or social care.

#### **Investors & Finance**

#### Investor of the Year

Excellence as an investor across either equity or debt, demonstrating a successful investment strategy and high returns or track record of investment across health and care or healthcare property.

#### Lender of the Year

Excellence in lending to the sector demonstrating good market knowledge, innovation and a distinctive/ successful strategy or execution.

#### Financial Advisor of the Year

Excellence in the provision of corporate finance advice with a focus on successful transactions you have advised on.

#### **Advisors**

#### Health Cover Provider of the Year

Innovation and excellence in the provision of health cover insurance, cash plans and other treatment payment options to private healthcare customer individuals or companies.

#### Consultancy of the Year

Excellence in the provision of strategic or commercial advice on a transaction or as a retained advisor with a focus on relevant case studies.

#### **Recruiter of the Year**

Excellence in the recruitment of professionals in the healthcare and social care sectors.

#### Legal Advisor of the Year

Excellence in the provision of legal services to the independent health and care sector (both profit and not-for-profit), NHS, local authorities, regulators and other public-sector organisations with a focus on relevant transactions, clients or matters (such as CMA investigations).

#### **Outstanding Contribution**

(Nominations are not open for this category. The recipient of this award is identified and chosen by LaingBuisson)

#### Property

Property Consultant of the Year Excellence in advising on valuation, consulting, acquisition, transactions on healthcare property assets.

#### Property Developer of the Year

Track record of site development in health or social care.





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## Overview of the entry process

The LaingBuisson Awards are simple to enter – just complete the steps outlined below:

- Review the Award categories and read the category descriptions. Spend some time considering why you should be considered for an award. Only you can tell your story well and make the judges take notice of your entry.
- 2. Select the category or categories you wish to enter. You can submit more than one entry in any category as long as you submit different case studies. Your submission should be in relation to a project, product, initiative or activities carried out in the last 12 months.
- 3. You will then need to input your details to become a registrant. These details are your own details for your login. You will be sent an email confirmation with your link, alternatively you can access the registration straight away by clicking through.
- 4. Once in your submissions link, you will see your category or categories on the left-hand side. You can click between each category and view the submission questions in draft.
- 5. When you have completed each field within your category entries and are happy with your entry you can click submit. You can return to your submission at any time before clicking submit if you want to work on your entry/entries over a period of time, but must be submitted before the deadline on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024.
- Finalists will be informed in early September 2024. We advise booking a ticket or table as early as possible as we sell out every year. The awards dinner and ceremony will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> November

at Park Plaza Westminster, London. Correspondence will be sent to you if you are successful. Book <u>online</u>, or contact your Account Manager.

## Who can enter the Awards?

If you advise, invest or provide services into healthcare and social care in the UK then there is a category for you. Details of which specific types of organisation and individuals are eligible to enter each of the categories are set out in the category descriptions.

# What is the eligibility period?

Entries for the LaingBuisson Awards must relate to projects, products, initiatives or activities carried out in the last 12 months. You can refer to prior periods, if it helps the judges to understand the activity in context, but entries will not be judged on past glories.

What is the deadline to enter the Awards? The closing date for entries is 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

# Is there a fee to enter the Awards?

There is no fee for entering the Awards. To book a table or individual ticket to attend the Awards Ceremony on November 21<sup>st</sup>, visit our <u>website</u>. Please note, tickets and tables sell out quickly every year.

# What information is required for the submission?

The information required varies across categories. To view questions for a specific category, select the 'enter now' button on the Awards website. You will be taken to the entry site where you can register as an entrant and then proceed to the submission





page. On selecting a category on the submission form, the relevant questions for that category will be displayed. You can save an entry in draft mode and return at any time to make amendments before submitting your final entry.

# How many categories can an organisation enter?

There is no limit to the number of categories you can enter. A separate form is required for each entry.

# How will the LaingBuisson Awards be judged?

A panel of expert judges, chosen for their experience in the industry, will study all the entries submitted and rate each submission independently on a predetermined set of criteria. Their combined ratings will decide the award winner. In the case of a tie, the chair of the judges will have a casting vote to decide the winner. Judges are grouped according to expertise. Some judging groups may judge more than one category, because their expertise are broad, or because the category criteria is similar.

The judges' decisions will be arrived at independently and will be final. No correspondence will be entered into concerning the judges' decisions.

## What makes a good entry?

Examples, examples, examples. The judges like to see examples of outstanding practice, examples of comparative data, examples of return on investment. A mixture of differentiation, innovation and achievements should be shown in your entry nomination.

## Are the submissions confidential?

Yes, all entries are treated as confidential by the judging panel and LaingBuisson.

# How many finalists are there per category?

The number of finalists varies from one category to another and ranges from around 4 to 12 finalists.

# When will the finalists be announced?

The finalists will be announced at the beginning of September 2024.

# When are the winners announced?

The winners will be announced at the LaingBuisson Awards on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024 at the Park Plaza, Westminster, London. Tables and tickets will be available to <u>book online</u>, or via your Account Manager once finalists are announced in September.

REMEMBER THE ENTRY DEADLINE IS 21ST JUNE 2024.

Good luck!

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