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## Hat trick for Dudley in Nursing Times Awards shortlist

The Dudley Group has received national recognition in three top industry awards for their innovative way of providing healthcare.

The Trust has been shortlisted in the Nursing Times Awards 2017 in three categories: Continence Promotion and Care, Nursing in the Community and Child and Adolescent Services.

Our Continence Advisors for Care Homes made the shortlist in two categories, Continence Promotion and Care and Nursing in the Community.

The community based team, who work across the Dudley area, introduced two new roles to educate and support care home staff to deliver the best possible continence care to patients.

The new roles also include troubleshooting in care homes to advise staff and treat complex patients to help avoid unnecessary hospital admissions.

The Trust's project to improve the experience for children with learning disabilities visiting hospital also made the shortlist in the Child and Adolescent Services category.

Improvements include introducing pagers in the Children's Outpatient Department, which allows parents to leave the department if their child is anxious without the fear of missing their appointment.

Chief Nurse Siobhan Jordan was proud the teams made the shortlist in such prestigious awards.

"It is fantastic that the fabulous work of these two teams to improve patient care has been recognised," said Siobhan.

"Their hard work to improve processes and patient experience has been recognised within the Trust and now at national level."

Winners will be announced on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 at the awards ceremony at Grosvenor House in London.

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