

News Release

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North West NHS Innovation Award Winners Announced



Pictures from left to right:
TrusTECH awards banner
in main room, TrusTECH
promotional banners in the
main corridor, music for the
evening provided by an
electric string quartet.

Over 100 people from within the NHS, healthcare, and private sector came together last night (Wednesday 11 November) to celebrate the North West NHS innovation Awards at Manchester Art Gallery.

The awards, organised by TrusTECH, the North West NHS Innovation Hub, were a huge success and showcased the very best of the regions healthcare innovations.

Richard Deed, Innovation Unit Manager of TrusTECH stated “The North West region has some of the UK’s best NHS innovators and these awards recognise and reward the NHS staff in the North West that are producing innovations that ultimately benefit North West patients.”

The results of the night were:

Training & Educational Materials:

Winner: End of Life & Organ Donation Training Course, Dr Arpan Guha, Aintree University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

2nd Place: Breastfeeding Drama for School Children, Sue Henry, East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust

3rd Place: SAGE & THYME: a model for training health and social care professionals in psychological support, Michael Connolly, University Hospital Of South Manchester NHS Foundation Trust

4th Place: StEmlyns virtual classroom and hospital, Simon Carley, Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Software or Systems:



Left: Lee Knowles & team, Merseycare NHS trust – winner of the Software or Systems category.

Winner: Ward Based Automated Medication Systems, Lee Knowles, Mersey Care NHS Trust

2nd Place: BORRN Head and Neck Cancer Touchscreen Database, Dr Craig Barclay, Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

3rd Place: Cone beam CT correction software for adaptive radiotherapy, Tom Marchant, The Christie NHS Foundation Trust

4th Place: East Lancs Healthy Minds Website, Kirsty Lyon, East Lancashire PCT

Medical Devices, Equipment, Diagnostics or Therapeutics:



Left: Paul Brenchley & team, Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust – winner of the Medical Devices, Equipment, Diagnostics or therapeutics category.

Winner: Renephra; a wearable renal replacement device, Professor Paul Brenchley, Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

2nd Place: HGF monitoring for graft rejection, James Fildes, University Hospital of South Manchester NHS Foundation Trust

3rd Place: Novel safe recombinant poxvirus vaccines, Dr Tom Blanchard, The Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust

4th Place: CariesMap - Near infrared imaging device for the early detection of caries, Dr Iain Pretty, Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust

Service Innovations or Developments:



Left: John Cunniffe & Team, Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust – winner of the Service Innovations or Developments category.

Winner: Initiative to reduce blood culture contamination, Dr John Cunniffe, Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

2nd Place: Fire and Mental Health Liaison Project, David Marsden, Manchester Mental health and Social Care Trust

3rd Place: 3D Footwear Imaging, Ian Spencer, Knowsley PCT

4th Place: Anticipatory Care Calendar (ACC) for People with Learning Disabilities, Tracie Keats, The Merseyside and Cheshire Cancer Network

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Note for Editors:

About the Competition:

- *Trus*TECH received 130 applications for the competition. 64 applications were received in the Service Innovations or Developments Category (49%); 35 received in the Training or Educational Materials category (27%); 22 received in the Software/Systems category (17%); and 9 received Medical Device, Equipment, Diagnostics, or Therapeutics category (7%).
- A total of 43 Trusts in the North West had representatives who submitted an application.
- The award ceremony was held on Wednesday 11 November 2009 at Manchester Art Gallery, Manchester.

About *Trus*TECH®

- *Trus*TECH (www.trustech.org.uk) was established in early 2001, as a partnership between Central Manchester and Manchester Children's University Hospitals NHS Trust, the Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen University Hospitals NHS Trust and the University of Central Lancashire.
- *Trus*TECH is part of the NHS and provides services to 57 NHS Trusts across the North West.

- *Trus*TECH is one of nine regional innovation hubs in England.

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