Dame Barbara Clayton Award for Innovation and Excellence in Dietetic Practice

The Trustees of the BDA GET have created a new award to recognise the contribution of the Honorary Presidents of the BDA and in particular the Association’s most recent President, Dame Barbara Clayton. Dame Barbara made a significant contribution during the many years of her term of office and was a major force within medicine, paediatric care and in promoting and supporting dietetics.

The award, worth £1500 is open to all individuals, teams or departments with staff who are BDA members and where dietetic services or practice can demonstrate innovation and new ways of working within dietetic services. It may be that the project/ work has been undertaken on a multi-disciplinary basis but it must be BDA member led, and primarily a dietetic innovation in concept and delivery.

Some examples which fit this criteria:

• a new service which has benefited patients, or

• excellence in innovation or new ways of working, or

• ways of working which have highlighted cross professional approaches to dietetic service delivery, or

• excellence in service delivery.

These examples are illustrative rather than prescriptive as new ways of working, clinical excellence and innovation are wide ranging and varied.

Submit a clear summary describing the innovative practice in a maximum of 1000 words. You may submit some supporting materials if you wish as evidence – for example literature, testimonials, etc. Include in your summary: outline of the work undertaken; rational for development and implementation; staff involved; benefits and outcomes including impact on public health nutrition/patient/client care/cost effectiveness; sustainability and how it could be applied elsewhere.