Robyn Lambley
Minister for Disability Services

NT Disability Service Awards open in Alice Springs

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Minister for Disability Services Robyn Lambley is calling on Territorians to nominate for the 2014 Disability Service Awards.

“2014 marks the fourth year the Disability Service Awards have been supported by the Department of Health and it is wonderful that this is the first year it has been launched in Alice Springs,” Mrs Lambley said.

“The awards are a fantastic opportunity for the Territory to celebrate and reward excellence in the services provided by individuals and organisations in disability services.

“I encourage people to nominate from across the Northern Territory and hope to see many nominations from service providers here in Central Australia.

“Territorians who work in this area to support fellow Territorians with a disability and their family carry out amazing and tireless work, and this is our chance to say thank you and recognise their important contribution.

“This year National Disability Services NT in collaboration with the Department of Health has also created a new approach to promoting the event, including a new colourful logo and six new award categories.

“The six new award categories include Emerging Leader, Excellence in Improving Learning and Development, Excellence in Improving Participation, Excellence in Promoting Community Awareness, Excellence in Innovation, and Outstanding Disability Service Employee.

“This year will also see the introduction of honours for the overall winner, with the 2014 Overall Award for Excellence. The recipient of this award is chosen from the winners of the other six categories.

“The awards will cap off a significant year for Disability Services in the Territory.

“2014 marks the introduction of the NT’s first standalone Disability Services Ministerial portfolio, the creation of the Disability Reform Ministerial Advisory Council, the launch of the National Disability
Insurance Scheme trial in the Barkly, and the creation of the scholarship program for Territorians working in the sector.

“We are also close to finishing the NT’s Strategic Plan for Disability Services 2014-2019, as part of the Country Liberals Government’s commitment to improve the access to quality services for all Territorians with a disability.”

Award winners will be announced on 28 November and visit www.ntdsa.org.au for more information and to nominate.

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