



# Award for Excellence in Health Service

Do you know someone in Grand County who goes the extra mile to care for our community’s health?

The Grand County Rural Health Network wants your help finding nominees for the 2024 Award for Excellence in Health Service. We’re looking for people or groups making a big impact on the health and well-being of our community. This is not limited to healthcare providers. These can be professionals or volunteers because we know health is more than health care.

To nominate a deserving person or group, please provide a summary of their accomplishments in 500 words or less. Let us know why they deserve recognition and how they’ve made a positive impact on health in our community. Our Board of Directors will carefully review all nominations and select the winners who will be honored at the Gratitude for Grand: High Five for Health Kick-Off in September 2024.

Therese McElroy, RN, was honored with the first award in 2013. She was recognized for her 50 years of service, most of which were in Grand County. We believe McElroy is our modern-day “Nurse Young.” McElroy has played a pivotal role in shaping healthcare delivery within Grand County. She served in various settings, including hospitals, schools, and home health. She is an example of excellence in health service.

*Past Award Recipients: Therese McElroy, RN in 2013; Mary Jo Hargadine, RN in 2014; Hannah Foley, NP and Ray Jennings in 2015; Val Lind, RN in 2016; Wade Walker, RPh in 2017; Heather Bentler, RN and John Nichols, MD in 2018; Katie Hornbaker, CRNA, and Sue Johnson MSW, LSW in 2019; COVID-19 Incident Management Team in 2020; Brene Belew-LaDue, BSN, RN and Outbreak of Kindness in 2021; Tess Riley in 2022; Leigha Klein, Tracy Vasquez and Ann Baer in 2023.*

Help us recognize those who are truly making Grand County thrive and be healthy. Send in your nominations by May 24, 2024.

### NOMINEE INFORMATION:

Nominee’s name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

### NOMINATOR INFORMATION:

Nominator’s name and title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_  
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The Grand County Rural Health Network, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, was founded in 2000. Our mission is to work in partnership to improve the future of our healthcare through programs and services that educate the community on health issues and ensure accessibility and efficiency of the healthcare system.

Simply fill in the information above and send it by May 24, 2023, along with your nomination letter to:

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