



Left to right: Karyn Denton, CNO; Renée Jensen, CEO; Irene Mburu, RN and Dr. Rachel Thompson, CMO pose for a photo following the DAISY Award ceremony.

Celebrating Excellence in Nursing Snoqualmie Valley Health Honors Newest DAISY Award Recipient

SNOQUALMIE, WA – Snoqualmie Valley Health is delighted to announce the recipient of the prestigious DAISY Award for exceptional nursing care. This award recognizes the extraordinary dedication and compassionate service provided by our nurses, as exemplified by Irene Mburu, RN, our latest DAISY Award honoree.

Mburu has worked with Snoqualmie Valley Health since March 2022 and is a nurse on the hospital's inpatient unit. A recent patient had this to say about Mburu, "Irene was very kind, helpful and sensitive to my personal situation. She was positive and emotionally supportive through my recovery. She was the best nurse I have ever had and brings great value to the hospital. I am truly indebted to her."

The DAISY Award is specially reserved for nurses who go above and beyond to make a meaningful impact on the lives of their patients. Mburu embodies the spirit of this award through her unwavering commitment to patient care, her kindness, and her sensitivity to each patient's unique circumstances.

Irene's dedication to providing exceptional care has touched the lives of numerous patients and their families, making a significant impact during their healthcare journey. Her commitment to fostering a positive and supportive environment reflects the values of Snoqualmie Valley Health and the essence of nursing excellence.

"We are immensely proud to honor Irene Mburu, RN as our latest DAISY Award recipient," said Karyn Denton, Snoqualmie Valley Health's Chief Nursing Officer. "Her compassionate and patient-centered approach embodies the heart of our mission to provide outstanding care to our community. Irene truly exemplifies the spirit of the DAISY Award."

Awards are presented throughout the year at celebrations attended by the honoree's colleagues, patients and visitors. Honorees receive a DAISY Award certificate, pin and a beautiful and meaningful sculpture called *A Healer's Touch*, hand-carved by artists of the Shona Tribe in Zimbabwe.

The DAISY Award is a testament to the outstanding contributions made by nurses like Mburu who continue to make a difference in the lives of their patients. Snoqualmie Valley Health congratulates Irene Mburu, RN on this well-deserved recognition and extends its gratitude for her dedication to delivering exceptional care.

Nurses may be nominated by patients, families or colleagues by completing a nomination form [here](#). For more information about Snoqualmie Valley Health, its nursing excellence, and the DAISY Award, please visit snoqualmiehospital.org.

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About Snoqualmie Valley Health

Snoqualmie Valley Health is the leading healthcare institution serving the Snoqualmie Valley community. Dedicated to quality and deeply connected to the community, Snoqualmie Valley Health stands as an independent public hospital district that has been unwavering in its commitment to delivering expert and compassionate care since its establishment. With a focus on patient-centered care, the hospital district provides a wide range of medical services and is dedicated to ensuring the health and well-being of the community it serves. Snoqualmie Valley Health provides comprehensive healthcare through its Critical Access Hospital, two primary care clinics, urgent care and also offers a diverse array of specialty and outpatient services including therapy and rehabilitation, pediatrics, endoscopy, cardiology, medical aesthetics and behavioral health, among others.

About the DAISY Foundation

The DAISY Foundation is a not-for-profit organization established in memory of J. Patrick Barnes by members of his family. The compassionate care Patrick and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired the creation of The DAISY Award® for Extraordinary Nurses, an evidenced-based means of providing nurse recognition and thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and patient families. The foundation expresses gratitude to the nursing profession internationally in over 5,400 healthcare facilities and schools of nursing and funds nursing research and evidence-based practice studies. More information is available at <http://DAISYfoundation.org>.