



# Student Link



## Preceptor of the Year 2023

The INMO have officially launched our search for their 2023 Preceptor of the Year. Every year the INMO asks our student nurses and midwives to nominate one preceptor that stands out for them, someone who helped, inspired and motivated them, and who you think deserves to be celebrated and acknowledged.

If you think you know someone that has helped you to grow, evolve and excel in placement, why not have them rewarded? Why not celebrate those who help us achieve, even when times get tough. Working in our hospitals can be very stressful at times and it can be difficult to manage a patient case-load whilst also ensuring that you are sharing your knowledge and expertise with someone, and we need to celebrate those who take extra steps to ensure that our student nurses and midwives feel encouraged and empowered whilst on placement.

The deadline for nominations is the 30th of March and to nominate you simply fill out the preceptor form on our website or follow the link in this email.

The chosen preceptor will receive their award at our in-person Annual Delegates Conference in May. If you think your preceptor deserves special recognition for their outstanding guidance and support, nominate them today.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Student Survey by NMBI

NMBI are currently conducting a survey of recent nursing students. This project is aimed to find out what is working well within our undergraduate education programmes and what could be improved on for nurses and midwives over the next 10 years.

If you are interested in completing the survey please copy and paste this link into your search engine, alternatively follow the link attached to this email.

[https://healthandagriscience.fra1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_9pn863hIOgudIZU](https://healthandagriscience.fra1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9pn863hIOgudIZU)

## Get Involved as a Rep!

Now more than ever, it is essential that each class has a student rep linked in with me. If your group does not have an INMO student rep, please discuss this amongst yourselves and nominate one rep per year, discipline, and placement area if you are spread across multiple sites. It is worth noting that INMO student reps are distinct from student union reps as the INMO is the professional body representing nurses and midwives dealing with matters relating to the workplace. Being a rep does not mean taking on a body of work and solving your class's problems by yourself. A rep is someone who lets me know the collective issues of their group so that I can either address these concerns or bring them to the attention of senior management so that your voice can be represented at national negotiations. If you are interested in learning more, please do not hesitate to contact me at [roisin.oconnell@inmo.ie](mailto:roisin.oconnell@inmo.ie).

