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## **THE DAISY FOUNDATION™ AND INMO (IRISH NURSES AND MIDWIVES ORGANIZATION) ANNOUNCE SUPPORTIVE ASSOCIATION COLLABORATION**

August 21, 2020 (Glen Ellen, CA) – The DAISY Foundation™ and INMO announced their mutual support today.

The DAISY Foundation is excited to welcome INMO to The DAISY Community of Supportive Associations and believes their support will promote nursing excellence throughout Ireland. INMO's support will help introduce DAISY to healthcare facilities in Ireland and bring meaningful recognition to their nurses. Said Bonnie Barnes, FAAN, Co-founder, and CEO of The DAISY Foundation, "As DAISY grows around the world, we are thrilled to welcome INMO to our global community. We know their introduction of DAISY to healthcare organizations in Ireland will bring The DAISY Award to many more excellent Irish nurses. We cannot wait to read their stories of extraordinary compassionate care and to know they are receiving the meaningful recognition they so deserve."

Dr. Edward Matthews, Director of Professional and Regulatory Services for INMO, added "The INMO is proud to become a Supportive Association of the DAISY Foundation. Care, compassion, and respect are at the heart of nursing practice in Ireland. Meaningful recognition of those values in action speaks to the extraordinary and expert practice of nurses in Ireland and the positive impact this has on the lives of people every day. We look forward to encouraging health and social care providers across the country to embrace the DAISY Award."

### 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. Patrick died at the age of 33 in late 1999 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon auto-immune disease. (DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System.) The 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.

In addition to the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses, the Foundation expresses gratitude to the nursing profession internationally in over 4,500 healthcare facilities and schools of nursing with recognition of direct care Nurses, Nurse-led Teams, Nurse Leaders, Nursing Faculty, Nursing Students, Lifetime Achievement in Nursing and through the J. Patrick Barnes Grants for Nursing Research and Evidence-Based Practice Projects and Medical Mission Grants. More information is available at <http://DAISYfoundation.org>.

#### About INMO

The Irish Nurses and Midwives Organization is the voice of Nurses and Midwives in Ireland.

Implementing the Organization's motto "Working Together" the INMO provides a unified voice for the professions of nursing and midwifery and provides strong leadership in matters affecting the standing of the two professions in the eyes of the wider community.

The Organization provides comprehensive industrial relations, professional education, professional advocacy, professional defense, information, and other services to our members in every workplace in Ireland and through our headquarters and regional offices.

The INMO is affiliated to several national bodies including the Irish Congress of Trade Unions, the National Women's Council of Ireland, and a range of other organizations whose work is of concern to the INMO. Internationally the INMO is affiliated to several organizations including the International Council of Nurses, the International Confederation of Midwives, and the European Federation of Nurses. Arising from these affiliations, the INMO also seeks to influence the wider policy agenda and matters of importance and concern to the Organization's membership.

The INMO is a constantly growing, and evolving, Organization always seeking to meet the needs of the professions and its membership in the areas of industrial relations, professional development, professional advocacy, professional defense, education, and research.

More information available at [www.inmo.ie](http://www.inmo.ie)

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