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Dear

Skills for Care NE Learner of the Year Awards 2009

I am writing to you with regards to a new initiative we are planning for 2009. Skills for Care is passionate about supporting continual professional development within the adult social care sector, and as such, our Communications Committee has expressed a wish to sponsor 'Learner of the Year' awards.

We would like to offer you the opportunity to nominate an individual within your organisation who, in your opinion, deserves this award, and whose learning and development has made a real difference to the lives of the people they support within the adult social care sector. This does not have to be the person who has achieved the highest level qualification, but could be someone, for example, who has gained their first entry level qualification, or someone who has progressed their development in a way not involving traditional learning routes – it is entirely up to you! We have attached a nomination form for you to complete, to tell us why you have chosen the winner. If not yourself, it would be great if you could pass this information onto the appropriate person.

We would not be holding an award ceremony ourselves to present these, but would be happy for a representative from Skills for Care to come along to a meeting or event organised by yourselves to present the award. By offering these awards we hope to raise the profile of the social care sector, and to highlight the achievements of some of the dedicated individuals working in the North East today. To this end, winners will be featured in our newsletter. I do hope that you can support these awards – if you have any questions please contact myself using the details above. Additionally, I would be very grateful if you could inform me if you feel that you do not wish to participate.

Yours sincerely

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Regional Development Manager - North East

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