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**Patients impressed by nurse's "reassuring" presence**

*Corrine Niven, RN, earns Dominican Hospital's ninth DAISY award*

SANTA CRUZ – Corrine Niven, RN, has earned Dominican Hospital's ninth DAISY award.

The DAISY Award is a nationwide program that rewards excellence in nursing. It was created by The DAISY Foundation to recognize the clinical skills, extraordinary compassion and care exhibited by nurses everyday.

Corrine was recognized by a patient's wife for the care she provided in Dominican's intensive care unit.

"Corrine was so kind and caring to my husband when he was in the critical care unit," wrote her nominator. "She took extra time to make sure he was comfortable and had all of our questions answered. She was very reassuring to both of us"

Dominican Hospital's nursing staff are regularly honored as DAISY award recipients. Nomination forms are located at nursing stations and public areas throughout the hospital and rehabilitation services.

Award recipients are given a pin to wear on their nametag, a certificate and a hand-carved statue entitled "A Healer's Touch." The recipients name will also be added to a roster of DAISY award winners across the county on the DAISY foundation's Web site, [www.daisyfoundation.org](http://www.daisyfoundation.org).

The DAISY Foundation was established in 2000 by the Barnes family in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, who died from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP) at the age of 33. The DAISY Foundation is dedicated to funding research to help fight diseases of the immune system, like the one that struck Patrick, and supporting ITP patients and their families. Having been touched by the remarkable care, clinical skills and compassion demonstrated by nurses during Patrick's illness, the Barnes family made it their mission to recognize exceptional nurses around the country.