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**Nurse Adrian is award finalist**

An award-winning nurse working in the field of adult learning disability is in the running for yet another honour.

Adrian Anim, who works for South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust, is a finalist in the Primary Care Nurse category of the Primary Care Awards 2015.

The former painter and decorator went to university at the age of 40 to do his nursing degree and now works as a community learning disability nurse in Gateshead. This summer, he was a recipient of the prestigious Heath Award, given to a select number of Northumbria University graduates for their efforts in both practice and theory while training to become nurses and midwives. He also received an award at his graduation for best academic student and he was a finalist in the Learning Disabilities category of the Student Nursing Times Student Awards 2014.

Mr Anim, of Newcastle, said: “I am overwhelmed and honoured to be shortlisted for this award. I feel privileged to be doing a job which I love and which I find so rewarding and to achieve this sort of recognition is the icing on the cake.”

Lorraine Lambert, Chief Executive of South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust, said: “I am delighted at this latest, national recognition for Adrian, who is supporting people with a learning disability to achieve positive outcomes in their lives.”

The Primary Care Awards, which celebrate trailblazers in their field and pioneers of integrated working, will be presented in London on Thursday, October 8th.

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*Pictured above: Adrian Anim following his Heath Award presentation*

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