**Winners of the Great North West Care Awards 2018 Announced**

Saturday 24th November saw over 450 of the very best in social care attended a glittering awards ceremony at The Mercure Hotel, Manchester, for the finals of the Great North West Care Awards, where the category winners were announced.

The Great North West Care Awards are part of the Great British Care Awards, a series of 9 regional awards celebrating excellence across the care sector.  The purpose of the awards is to promote best practice within both home care and care homes sectors, and pay tribute to those individuals who have demonstrated outstanding excellence within their field of work.

Sponsored by Access Health and Social Care, sector support also includes Care England, The Department of Health, The National Care Forum, The Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) and the Voluntary Organisations Disability Group (VODG), as well as local authorities and other commercial organisations.

There are a range of categories available for nomination, which represent all areas of the care sector; whether it be older people or specialist services and from frontline staff such as care workers and care managers to people who have made an impact in other ways such as training.

Winners of the Great North West Care Awards will go through to the final at Birmingham’s ICC on 8th March 2019.

The winners of the Great British North West Care Awards, together with the judge’s comments are detailed below:

**The Care Home Registered Manager Award**

**Julie Hoszowskyj – Mary and Joseph House**

Julie was very passionate and dedicated to her role. She leads by example and is committed to sharing the best practise with her staff, as well as other managers in the community. Her extensive knowledge of the care industry is also demonstrated by the ratings of outstanding at her last CQC inspection and the training and development of her staff.