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Dear Chairman

**Honours' nominations for New Year 2015**

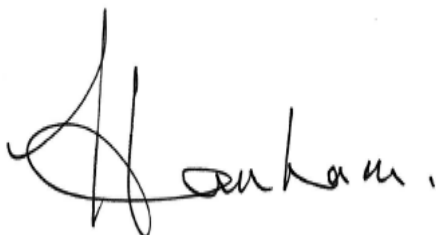
As you saw in Una O'Brien's recent letter, the Department of Health has started its search for candidates from across the health and care system for the 2015 New Year Honours list.

I would like to highlight the importance of the honours system in recognising the achievements of ordinary people who do extraordinary things. It's a great opportunity to recognise and celebrate the dedication and commitment of staff at every level of the NHS.

I encourage you and your colleagues across your organisation to submit nominations for any individuals you think would merit an honour from any part of the health and care system, and by encouraging others in your organisation to do the same.

The deadline for completed nomination forms for the 2015 New Year Honours list is **Monday 31 March 2014**. These should be sent to [honours@dh.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:honours@dh.gsi.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely



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