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Aster Guardians Global Nursing Award 2026 announces Top 10 finalists

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On the occasion of International Nurses Day on 12 May, Aster DM Healthcare has announced the Top 10 finalists for the fifth edition of the Aster Guardians Global Nursing Award 2026, selected from over 134,000 registrations across 214 countries and economies – reinforcing its position as one of the world's most significant recognitions for the nursing profession.

The finalists were selected through a rigorous multi-stage evaluation process involving eligibility screening, assessment by an independent panel of experts, and final review by a distinguished Grand Jury.

One of the Top 10 finalists will be honoured with the grand title and a prize of \$250,000, while the remaining finalists will also receive global recognition and rewards for their outstanding contributions to healthcare.

The top 10 finalists for 2026 includes: Dr Agimol Pradeep (Kings College Hospital and University of Salford, United Kingdom); Dr Aidah Alkaissi (Independent Consultant, Sweden); Dinah Sevilla (King Saud University Medical City - King Khalid University Hospital, The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia); Dr Hammada Abu-Odah (The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR, China); Hindumbi Kourom Kakkada (Government Indira Gandhi Hospital Kavaratti, India); Johana Patricia Galvan Barrios (University of the Coast Corporation (CUC), Colombia); Josephine Nelago Angula (Bethesda Medical Centre, Namibia); Oluchi Angel Okoi (Women at Risk International Foundation, Nigeria); Peter Fore (Port Moresby General Hospital and Papua New Guinea Oncology Nurses' Association, Papua New Guinea); Ronald Mario Cañas Rojas (Oncocuidado and Universidad Del Area Andina, Colombia).

The final round will feature interviews with a distinguished Grand Jury comprising global healthcare leaders.

The winner will be announced at a gala event in India in July 2026.