**POLICY Teresa Way Awards**

# PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to define the Teresa Way Award and the manner in which it will be awarded.

# SCOPE

This policy applies to a person or entity eligible to receive the Teresa Way Awards.

# POLICY STATEMENT

The Teresa Way Award recognises a person, a business or a community organisation who/which has made a significant contribution to a person or people who are deafblind and their families through;

* a non-monetary contribution to the Senses Australia services for people who are deafblind or to an individual person who is deafblind
* being a positive role model for people who are deafblind
* a financial contribution to the Senses Australia services for people who are deafblind,

The Teresa Way Award is presented annually during either Deafblind Awareness Week, at the Senses Australia Annual General Meeting or at another significant Senses Australia event.

A staff member of Senses is not eligible for the Teresa Way Award.

The Board may, at its discretion, determine how many Teresa Way Awards are presented in any one year and may, again at its discretion, decide not to present any Teresa Way Awards in a year.

Teresa Way was deafblind and worked for the WA Deafblind Association for a number of years. She was a very positive person who, in spite of her deafblindness and other medical conditions, was an outstanding role model and an inspiration to all.

| **RELATED POLICIES** |
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| Nil. |

| **SUPPORTING QMS DOCUMENTS** |
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| [PROCEDURE Teresa Way Award](http://portal/QMS/Documents/TeresaWayAwardProcedure.docx) |
| **RELEVANT LEGISLATION OR STANDARDS** |
| Nil. |