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Press Release

OUTSTANDING HEALTH & SAFETY RECORD WINS PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR CRC

Cambridge Regional College has been awarded the prestigious RoSPA President's Award for Occupational Health and Safety – a mark of its achievement in winning a 13th consecutive Gold award.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents uses the awards scheme to recognise health and safety management systems – including workforce involvement and strong leadership – as well as helping to reduce accidents at work.

The College is among the top few per cent of organisations in the country to be presented with 13 of the top awards in the last 13 years.

David Rawlins, RoSPA's awards manager, said: "RoSPA firmly believes that organisations that have demonstrated their commitment to continuous improvement in accident and ill health prevention deserve recognition. Cambridge Regional College has shown that it is committed to striving for such continuous improvement and we are delighted to honour it through the presentation of an award."

Jeff Moody, CRC's Health and Safety officer, said the College was committed to safe practices to protect its students and staff and was continuously working to improve them.

"We are one of only a handful of colleges to achieve such consistent success in the awards and are absolutely delighted that our work in this area has been recognised again by winning the prestigious President's Award," he said.

“The whole College works together to create a safe environment for everyone, including students, staff and visitors. We also like to use different methods to get the safety message across – a recent students’ competition to design safety posters proved a big success, focusing on a wide range of important issues from road safety to personal safety.”

The RoSPA Occupational Health and Safety Awards 2011 are sponsored by NEBOSH (the National Examination Board in Occupational Safety and Health), the leading health and safety professional examining body.

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MEDIA ENQUIRIES

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Cambridge Regional College is one of the largest providers of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region, with more than 4,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk. Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes.