



Commonwealth Lifesaving  
**The Royal Life Saving Society**

## **2012 Russell Medal**

### **Samantha Hobbs**

In October 2012, Samantha Hobbs, a RLSS UK award holder aged 14, found her mother lying on the living room floor of their family home unconscious and not breathing. Samantha's father, who was with her at the time went to phone for an ambulance while Samantha immediately started performing CPR.

After 10 minutes Samantha began to tire but instead of stopping she instructed her father how to perform CPR until the paramedics arrived.

Samantha's mother made a remarkable recovery thanks to Samantha's prompt action in using the lifesaving skills gained during RLSS UK training at Yeovil Life Saving Club. Medical staff noted that Samantha's early CPR helped with her mother's recovery.

**For her quick thinking and prompt actions**

**Samantha Hobbs is awarded the 2012 Russell Medal**

**Commonwealth President**