

### Description

The Block Family Memorial Grant in Perinatal and Infant Psychiatry, supported by a bequest from the Block family, was established in 2009 to encourage further training focussing on perinatal and infant psychiatry research in Australia and New Zealand.

The grant will allow funding to be made available to trainees and recently qualified psychiatrists to undertake a research-based course in perinatal and infant health. Any course focussing on perinatal and infant health will be considered although it is generally expected that the course will be run through a university or other appropriate research setting. Appropriate online courses may also be suitable. To give applicants an idea of the type of course that would be appropriate, the University of Melbourne runs an MSc in Infant and Parent Mental Health which applicants are welcome to investigate. This is just one example and applications for all other courses with a focus on perinatal and infant health, which are relevant to psychiatry, will be considered equally.

This grant is managed by the RANZCP Research and Education Foundation. The intention of the Foundation is to assist psychiatrists pursue and develop research, provide high quality training in research, and to better assist people with mental health problems to have improved outcomes and improved quality of life.

### Eligibility

- The grant is made on the basis of an application form submitted by applicants.
- The grant is made to applicants commencing courses at the time the application is submitted.
- Retrospective applications for courses already commenced will not be considered.
- The grant is made available to all RANZCP trainees and College Fellows in the first five years of Fellowship.
- The grant is made to individual applicants.
- There is no limit on the number of people who can receive the grant each year. The number of awards given in each year will depend on the suitability of applicants. If there are no suitable applicants, the grant will not be made in that year.
- Previous recipients of the grant will not be eligible to receive the grant on a further occasion.

### Form of Award

- The grant comprises a sum of up to A\$3000 paid upfront to assist in covering course fees only.
- Travel, accommodation or living away from home expenses will not be considered.

### Frequency

The grant is made available every year, until such point as the bequest has been fully expended.

### Application process

- Applications must be in writing and made on the prescribed form. Applications for the grant should be made by applicants on their own behalf.
- Submit application via email to: [research@ranzcp.org](mailto:research@ranzcp.org)

### Application deadline

The application deadline will be set each year as advertised. The deadline for this round of applications is **midnight on Sunday 17 February 2019**.

## Selection Process

In making a recommendation the Selection Panel will consider the application forms submitted and take into account the benefits that will accrue to the field of infant/perinatal psychiatry, and the benefit to the individual concerned.

Once confirmation is received that the successful applicant has been accepted into the course applied for, formal notice of the grant will be given, and payment made to the successful applicant.

## Contact Information

Please contact the Committees team on [research@ranzcp.org](mailto:research@ranzcp.org) or +61 (3) 9640 0646.

## Previous Recipients

2009	Dr Emma Adams and Dr Deeta Kimber
2010	Dr Nicola Beamish and Dr Tram Nguyen
2011	Dr Alice Dwyer, Dr Samari Johnston, Dr Lucinda Smith and Dr Adaobi Udechuku
2012	Dr Karen Gwee, Dr Laura Kean and Dr Andrew McKensey
2013	Dr Christina Richardson and Dr Monique Mason
2014	Dr Virginia Loftus, Dr Tiba Maloof, Dr Benjamin Hoadley and Dr Gabrielle Hart
2015	Dr Dawud Meeran, Dr Alice Chang, Dr Oyewale Oyewopo and Dr Jessica Kuc
2016	Dr Imogen Wang, Dr Jarrod Holst and Dr Lux Ratnamohan
2017	Dr Brendan Daugherty
2018	Dr Christine Kilcawley, Dr Wen Hui Daphne Law, Dr Jennifer Dancer and Dr Shuichi Suetani