The Addiction Psychiatry Prize
Terms of Reference

Description

The Addiction Psychiatry Prize is an annual prize awarded to a Trainee, or a Fellow who has achieved the Certificate of Advanced Training in Addiction Psychiatry within the 12 months prior to the application deadline.

The prize is an incentive award of the College, designed to encourage achievements and excellence in addiction psychiatry.

Eligibility Criteria

Current Trainees, or Fellows who have achieved the Certificate of Advanced Training in Addiction Psychiatry within the 12 months prior to the application deadline, are eligible to apply. Applicants shall have completed meritorious research, a quality improvement project or case review/study in the field of addiction psychiatry. The work submitted should have been completed at least partly in Australasia within the two-year period prior to application for the Prize. Previous recipients of the Prize will not be eligible to receive the Prize on a further occasion.

Form of Award

The Prize consists of A$1500, a framed certificate, a complimentary registration to the Faculty of Addiction Psychiatry’s Conference (International Medicine in Addiction), and an invitation to present their work at the Conference. The Prize may be made to one person, or can be shared amongst two or more if their work is of equal merit. If shared, each recipient shall be entitled to an equal portion of Prize money. The Prize will be formally conferred during the College Ceremony at the RANZCP’s College Congress. The Prize does not include travel support for the recipient(s) to attend Congress or the Faculty Conference.

Frequency

The Prize will be made available annually, in accordance with the Awards Submission Process. The Prize will then be formally conferred at the College Ceremony the following May. If there are no suitable applicants, the Prize will not be awarded for that year.

Application Process

Applicants for the Prize are required to submit a cover letter (1 page) and an anonymised copy of their work (which is subject of the Prize) in accordance with the Awards Submission Process. Submissions for the Prize may take the form of:

- the Certificate of Advanced Training in Addiction Psychiatry Scholarly Project
- the Certificate of Advanced Training in Addiction Psychiatry Quality Improvement Project
- a published article

Authorising Body: Board via the Awards and Recognition Committee

Responsible Committee(s): Bi-National Committee for the Faculty of Addiction Psychiatry

Responsible Department(s): Membership and Events

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• a draft article suitable for publication in a journal equivalent to *Australasian Psychiatry*
• a case review/study.

Applications must be submitted to: **awards@ranzcp.org**.

**Selection Panel Composition**

The Selection Panel shall consist of the Chair of the Subcommittee for Advanced Training in Addiction Psychiatry; the Chair of the Faculty of Addiction Psychiatry; and the Chair of the Committee for Research (or their nominee from their respective committee).

In the opinion of the Selection Panel, the work submitted which is the subject of the Prize shall be judged to be of sufficient merit to warrant the Prize being presented in a given year; and be original work primarily completed by the applicant.

The Selection Panel will review applications on a confidential basis. The criteria for assessment will be:
- originality
- scientific merit
- contribution to the knowledge base of addiction psychiatry.

The Selection Panel shall make a recommendation to the bi-national Faculty of Addiction Psychiatry Committee for approval. The Prize recipient(s) will be advised to the Board.

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