

The Pat, Toni and Peter Kinsman Research Scholarship

Terms of Reference



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| Name of the award | The Pat, Toni and Peter Kinsman Research Scholarship |
| Purpose | To encourage research into perinatal mood disorders in Australia and New Zealand. |
| Funding source | <p>The Pat, Toni and Peter Kinsman Postnatal Depression Fund was established in 1989 to support the Pat, Toni and Peter Kinsman Research Scholarship, thanks to the generosity of the Kinsman family.</p> <p>Since its establishment, the scope of this area of study has expanded to include all perinatal mood disorders.</p> |
| Number offered | One award is made available every two years. |
| Interest area | Perinatal mood disorders. |
| Form of the award | <p>The Award comprises a sum of A\$50,000 paid over two years to be used in aid of the submitted research proposal.</p> <p>The Scholarship recipient will receive a formal letter of offer and an invitation to accept the Scholarship at the College Ceremony during Congress.</p> |
| Eligibility | Applications are open to RANZCP Fellows, Affiliates or Trainee (Associate) members who are in good standing with the RANZCP. |
| Special conditions | The recipient(s) will be required to submit an abstract on their funded research at a RANZCP scientific conference, or to a RANZCP journal. |
| Applications | Applications must be submitted via the online portal by the due date. |
| Checklist to apply | <p>The following documentation is required to complete an application.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Proof of ethics - approval, or evidence of a pending application, to carry out your research from the Human Research Ethics Committees (HREC), or the Health and Disability Ethics Committees (HDECs, NZ) or another approved ethics committee. If you are unable to provide this, please submit a letter from your supervisor confirming that you are in the process of obtaining ethics approval.- A letter of support from your Supervisor, Research Group Leader, or Head of Institution. |
| Selection criteria | <p>Applications are assessed basis of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Originality- Scientific merit- Feasibility- Clinical relevance and benefits that will accrue to the field of perinatal mood disorders, and |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any other criteria determined by the RANZCP Foundation Committee. <p>In respect to the proposed budget, the portion of costs to be allocated to administrative functions should be minimal, and travel costs must be reasonable.</p> |
| Selection process | <p>The selection panel will comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chair (or nominee), RANZCP Foundation Committee - Chair (or nominee), RANZCP Committee for Research - Chair (or nominee), RANZCP Section of Perinatal and Infant Psychiatry, - A community member from the Committee for Research or nominee from the Community Collaboration Committee. <p>The selection panel members will first review all blinded applications, then assess the unblinded applications before making a recommendation to the Foundation Committee. The decision must be endorsed by the Foundation Committee and ratified by the RANZCP Board.</p> <p>The RANZCP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - will decide to award scholarship funds commensurate with the amount it determines is necessary for the applicant to complete the proposal assessed, - reserves the right to make no award of the Scholarships if it does not receive any suitable applications that, in its opinion, are capable of achieving the objectives of the Scholarship. |
| Terms | <p>Scholarship applicants will be required to accept the RANZCP Scholarship Funding Rules to apply.</p> <p>The scholarship recipient(s) will be required to enter into a tripartite agreement with both the RANZCP and their administering institution, before receiving funding. The agreement will set out the terms and conditions to receive the funding and the obligations of the recipient.</p> |

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