# The RANZCP Psychotherapy Research Award

Terms of Reference



## **Description:**

The RANZCP's Faculty of Psychotherapy established the RANZCP Psychotherapy Research Award in 2009, to encourage research in psychotherapy amongst psychiatry trainees and Fellows in Australia and New Zealand. The Award is made available annually to facilitate research projects in psychotherapy.

## **Eligibility Criteria:**

The Award is open to psychiatry trainees, recent Fellows within five years of admission to Fellowship, or Fellows undertaking RANZCP Advanced Training in the Psychotherapies.

The Award may be made to one person, a team, or multiple applicants. If there are no suitable applicants, the Award will not be made in that year. Previous recipients of the Award will not be eligible to receive the Award on a further occasion.

#### Form of Award:

The Award comprises an award certificate and provision of funding (in line with the research project budget) for the proposed research, to a maximum of AUD\$10,000. The Award will be formally conferred at the College Ceremony during RANZCP's Annual Congress.

#### **Application process:**

The Award is made on the basis of a research protocol submitted by applicants. Work performed partly in Australia/New Zealand and partly elsewhere is acceptable.

Applications must be made on a prescribed form (available on the RANZCP website), and must outline (among other things) the background, research plan, ethical issues, and budget.

Applications must be made by researchers on their own behalf, and submitted to: awards@ranzcp.org.

#### **Selection Process:**

In making a recommendation the Selection Panel will consider the research protocol submitted, and the addition to the body of knowledge in psychotherapy following the completion of the applicant's research.

# **Selection Panel Composition:**

The Selection Panel shall consist of the Chair and one other member of the Faculty of Psychotherapy, and the Chair of the Committee for Research.

# **Special Conditions:**

The recipient should submit a report to the RANZCP's Faculty of Psychotherapy at the completion of the research that is supported by the Award. It is envisaged that the research will also be presented for publication in either the *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Psychiatry* or *Australasian Psychiatry*.

#### **Contact Information:**

For further information, please contact awards@ranzcp.org or 1800 337 448 (from Australia) or 0800 443 827 (from New Zealand).

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