

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD (ACT) 2026

Call for Nominations



The Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists

Australian Capital Territory Branch

The RANZCP ACT Branch Committee recognises service to the mental health of the people of the Australian Capital Territory. The **Meritorious Service Award (ACT)** is awarded on an occasional basis, to acknowledge outstanding contribution to the function of the RANZCP or the practice of psychiatry in a clinical, academic or administrative capacity.

The Award recognises the achievements of “unsung heroes”, i.e. those psychiatrists who have made significant contributions without having received formal acknowledgement or accolades in the usual course of their work. The Award is also intended to acknowledge the achievements of those who have gone “above and beyond” the duties of their job, having made important contributions to psychiatry (often unpaid or voluntary) that go outside their job description.

The nominee is usually a Fellow of the College in the Australian Capital Territory, but in some circumstances the award may be presented to an agency or individual who is not a College member who has contributed to the improvement of mental health in the Australian Capital Territory.

The ACT Branch Committee is responsible for this award. The Award shall comprise a certificate presented at the annual dinner of the ACT Branch by the Chair of the Branch.

Nominations can be from an individual fellow, or from a College group. The nomination must address the selection criteria and provide evidence of outstanding contribution to the function of the RANZCP or the practice of psychiatry in the ACT in a clinical, academic or administrative capacity. Nominations may be supported by the provision of additional reports from others, or by providing names of referees who give testimony in support of the nominee.

To nominate, please complete the following and return to: ACT Branch Coordinator
Email: ranzcp.act@ranzcp.org. Enquiries: 02 6229 2800

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I (Name of nominating ACT Fellow or College group)

Nominate (Name of person or agency)

for the Meritorious Service Award because (address the selection criteria and provide evidence of outstanding contribution to mental health in the ACT; attach additional reports if required).

Signature: Date: Member ID:

Please provide names of referees who can give testimony in support of the nominee:

Name: Name:

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