

# The Section of Youth Mental Health Excellence Award

## Terms of Reference



<b>Authorising Body:</b>	Board via the Awards and Recognition Committee
<b>Responsible Committee:</b>	Bi-National Committee for the Section of Youth Mental
<b>Responsible Department:</b>	Membership and Events
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## Description

The Section of Youth Mental Health Excellence Award is presented to a RANZCP psychiatry trainee or psychiatrist for outstanding contributions to advancement of Youth Mental Health within Australia or Aotearoa New Zealand (via clinical, research, service delivery or health promotion activities).

## Eligibility Criteria

The award is presented to a current RANZCP trainee, Fellow or Affiliate member, or a team of eligible members, considered to have provided a significant contribution to Youth Mental Health, for example by publishing a relevant article on Youth Mental Health, providing excellence in clinical care of youth, developing innovative youth mental health programs, or providing advocacy for youth with mental health issues.

Previous recipients of the award will not be eligible to receive the award on a further occasion.

## Form of Award

The award comprises:

- a framed award certificate
- A\$500
- invitation to accept the award at the College Ceremony during Congress.

The award does not include travel support or registration for the recipient(s) to attend Congress or the Section Conference.

## Frequency

The award is made available annually in line with the RANZCP awards program. If there are no suitable applicants, the award will not be made in that year.

## Application Process

Applications/nominations for the Award may be made by any member of the RANZCP on their own behalf, or on their behalf by another RANZCP member.

There is no 'application form' for the award. Written applications/nominations should include a curriculum vitae (required for individual applications only), a one-page document detailing their/the nominee's outstanding contributions to the advancement of Youth Mental Health through clinical, research, service delivery or health promotion activities, along with any other relevant supporting material.

Applications/nominations are to be submitted to [awards@ranzcp.org](mailto:awards@ranzcp.org) during the annual awards submission window.

## **Selection Process**

### **Selection Criteria**

The selection panel will review applications on the basis of:

- originality
- overall contribution to Youth Mental Health
- advocacy for Youth Mental Health.

During the selection process the selection panel will take into account the relative opportunity (contribution in relation to years of experience) of each applicant/nominee.

### **Selection Panel**

The selection panel is comprised of the Chair of the Section of Youth Mental Health Bi-National Committee, three (3) members of the Section of Youth Mental Health Bi-National Committee, and the Section Community member.

In the case of a declared conflict of interest, the Chair of the selection panel should advise possible alternate arrangements.

A majority of the Selection Panel will need to agree that one of the submissions is sufficiently meritorious for the award to be given that year. Only one award is generally given each year, but in exceptional circumstances where applicants are of equal merit, the award may be shared by two or more applicant/applicant teams. If necessary, the Chair shall have both a deliberative and casting vote.

The decision made by the selection panel is final and may not be appealed.

## **Contact Information**

Please contact [awards@ranzcp.org](mailto:awards@ranzcp.org).

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