

The Ian Simpson Award

Terms of Reference



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Description

The Ian Simpson Award was established in 1976 to honour Dr Ian Simpson (SA) who was a foundation member of the ANZCP and who became ANZCP President in 1966. The Award acknowledges the most outstanding contributions to clinical psychiatry as assessed through service to patients and to the community.

Eligibility Criteria

The Award is made to a person who has made an outstanding contribution to clinical psychiatry, such as contributions to the development of a special unit, or area of special expertise or lengthy involvement in a clinical area which has earned the respect of colleagues and/or publications. Work performed partly in Australia/New Zealand and partly elsewhere is acceptable. The Award may be made to only one person in any one year other than in exceptional circumstances or, 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 a framed citation and the recipient is invited to attend the College Ceremony at the RANZCP Congress where the Award will be presented.

Frequency

The Award is presented annually, if there is an appropriate nomination.

Application Process

The Ian Simpson Award is given by nomination only. Nominations may be made by any two Fellows of the RANZCP, setting out their reasons for such nomination.

Nominations must be submitted to: awards@ranzcp.org.

Selection Panel Composition

The Selection panel shall consist of the Chair of the Awards and Recognition Committee (Convenor), the President and three Past Presidents (if such a number be available) and shall have the power to co-opt other senior members, if necessary, to total an odd number of at least five members. At least one member of the Selection Panel must be from Australia and at least one from New Zealand.

In the case of a declared conflict of interest, the Chair of the Selection Panel should advise possible alternate arrangements. In the case where the Chair of the Selection Panel declares a conflict of interest, and it is not possible/feasible to make alternate arrangements, the decision should be

deferred to the rest of the Selection Panel.

The Selection Panel will consider the nominee's contributions to clinical psychiatry, as assessed through service to patients and to the community. The panel is responsible for recommending to the RANZCP Board a person for receipt of the Award and will only do so if they are unanimous in their recommendation. The recommendations should be in writing and should outline the reasons for such nomination. The Board will have final determination for this Award.

Revision Record

Contact: Senior Manager, Membership Services (Membership and Events)			
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