

COSA New Investigator in Psycho-Oncology Award 2014

Australia has a proud history of excellence in psycho-oncology care and research. The Clinical Oncology Society of Australia (COSA), the Australian Psycho-Oncology Group (OZPOS), and the Psycho-Oncology Cooperative Research Group (PoCoG) have fostered this field of oncologic care and ensured its place as part of multi-disciplinary care. Consequently, our organisations are strong with many dedicated individuals contributing to ongoing development and excellence in this field. This award is an opportunity to recognise an investigator, early in their career, for outstanding research contributions in the field of psycho-oncology.

SELECTION CRITERIA

In choosing the recipient of the New Investigator in Psycho-oncology Award, regard is given to the nominee's research achievements and potential for ongoing contribution to the discipline of psycho-oncology in Australia.

The selection criteria are:

- No more than five years from completion of post-graduate, fellowship or equivalent specialist training (PhD, DCP, MD or equivalent)
- Demonstrated excellence in their field
- Contribution to the discipline of psycho-oncology in Australia
- Have worked in Australia in the field of psycho-oncology
- Membership of COSA, OZPOS and PoCoG

Note: the award is linked to professional attainment rather than to age

The selection panel will also give consideration to the following in assessing and comparing nominations against the above criteria:

- Quality of research output in the field of psycho-oncology at early career stage
- Demonstrated innovation and creativity
- Community involvement
- Potential for future contribution and likely impact
- Country of residence
- Voluntary work beyond paid employment in the field of psycho-oncology

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

- Individuals more than five years from completion of post-graduate, fellowship or equivalent specialist training (PhD, DCP, MD or equivalent)
- Self-nominations will not be accepted
- Members of the selection panel are not eligible

An individual need only be nominated once to be considered. The number of nominations received per nominee bears no weight in their selection.

TIMELINES

Nominations close Friday 5 September 2014

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations must be made by a member of COSA, OZPOS and PoCoG.

Each nomination should include:

- Nominee's curriculum vitae, with details of specific completion dated of degrees and post-graduate training
- Letter of nomination specifying why the nominee meets the award description above
- Two letters of support from other individuals to whom the nominee is known, also specifying why the nominee meets the award description above
- Copies of up to four publications that represent the nominee's research work

Nominations should be emailed to cosa@cancer.org.au with "COSA New Investigator in Psycho-Oncology Award nomination" in the subject line.

AWARD

In recognition of the significance of the Award it will be formally presented during the COSA Annual Scientific Meeting (in line with other COSA Awards). The recipient will receive a statuette along with announcements in each organisations' newsletters

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about this award and how to apply please contact:

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