## **POLICY**

Division:	Fellowship Engagement	Ref. No.	POL-3072
Department:	Tasmanian Regional Office		
Title:	Joe Shepherd Prize		

## 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This procedure details the awarding of the Joe Shepherd Memorial Prize by the Tasmanian Regional Committee. The criteria for the award is the best presentation overall at the Tasmanian Annual Scientific Meeting by a consultant.

#### 2. KEYWORDS

Tasmanian Region, Award, Joe Shepherd, Prize.

### 3. BODY OF POLICY

### 3.1. Background

This is a long standing award in recognition of the best paper presented at the Tasmanian Annual Scientific Meeting by a consultant.

This prize has been presented since 2006 in memory of Joe Shepherd (1928-2002). Professor of Surgery at the University of Tasmania, 1978 – 1993. Joe was recognized as a world authority on MEN-1 (a rare inherited disease of endocrine glands) and vigorously campaigned for public education against cigarette smoking.

## 3.2. Eligibility Criteria

The prize is open to all surgical consultants who present a paper at the meeting.

#### 3.3. Selection Criteria

The recipient of the prize will be determined by a panel of judges (Trainees) chosen by the Tasmanian Regional Committee to judge the papers being presented. The prize is awarded for the overall best presentation, papers being scored from 1 to 5 on each of the following criteria:

- Presentation Skills
- Use of audio visual
- Research Content
- Originality
- Clinical Relevance

#### 3.4. Value of the Prize

The prize consists of a RACS desk clock and information regarding Joe Shepherd.

The regional office is responsible for budgeting for the prize each year and purchasing the RACS desk clock.

# 3.5. Frequency of the Prize

The prize is awarded at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

The award will be made only if the presented paper is of a standard worth of the prize.

The winner is announced at the conclusion of the meeting.

## 4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

Procedure: Tasmanian Annual Scientific Meeting

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