

Division	Fellowship Engagement	Ref. No.	POL-3084
Department	NSW Regional Office		
Title	Annual Medical Students Award and Medal		

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This Policy describes the awarding of the Annual Medical Student Medal essay competition organised by the NSW Regional Office.

2. KEYWORDS

Essay, award, Medical Student, medal

3. BODY OF POLICY

3.1. Background

In 2010 the NSW Regional Committee introduced an essay competition for medical students in their final year at the NSW Medical School in order to promote a career in surgery.

3.2. Objectives

- To increase interaction with Medical Students and Universities.
- To promote the College to Medical Students.
- To encourage Final Year Medical Students to write an appropriate Essay.
- To put out a topic which calls for Medical Students to think about surgery in a positive light.

3.3. Composition

3.3.1 The essay should be:

- a. Written by a final year medical student of a NSW medical school.
- b. Meet the topic specified by the NSW Regional Committee.
- c. Within the word limit of 2500 – 3000 words.
- d. Submitted by the due date.

3.3.2 Judging

- a. The essays will be assessed by a panel of members of the NSW Regional Committee of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons
- b. The Winner will be announced after all essays have been considered by the panel and a decision has been made
- c. The award will be acknowledged in the NSW Chair's Newsletter and presented to the winner at an official function where the Chair can present the award and there are senior surgeons present e.g. Regional committee meeting.

3.3.3 Publication

The Winner's essay will be published on the College website on the NSW Region page.

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

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