1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy governs the awarding of the Tasmanian Regional Committee Peter Braithwaite Prize. It covers the application and selection criteria as well as the duration, value, frequency and conditions of the Prize.

2. KEYWORDS

Tasmanian Region, award, Peter Braithwaite, prize.

3. BODY OF POLICY

3.1. Background

This is a long standing award in recognition of the runner-up to best paper presented at the Tasmanian Annual Scientific Meeting by a Registrar or intern.

This prize has been awarded since 1988 in honour of Peter Braithwaite who was appointed Surgical Superintendent at the Royal Hobart Hospital in 1948. Peter served as a member of Council from 1967 to 1979, Senior Vice-President between 1977 and 1979 and was also a past Chairman of the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand.

3.2. Eligibility Criteria

The prize is open to all Trainees and Junior Doctors who present papers at the meeting.

3.3. Selection Criteria

The recipient of the prize will be determined by a panel of judges 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 $150 gift voucher, an engraved RACS plaque and information regarding Peter Braithwaite.

The regional office is responsible for budgeting for the prize each year and purchasing the RACS plaque.
3.5. **Frequency of the Prize**

The prize is awarded annually at the Annual Scientific Meeting. The award will be made only if the presented paper is of a standard worthy of the prize. The winner is announced at the conclusion of the meeting.

4. **ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS**

   Procedure: Tasmanian Annual Scientific Meeting

**Approver**  Board of Regional Chairs
**Authoriser**  Council