

Johnson & Johnson MedTech Scholarship – Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders Learning and Development Grant Guideline GDL-4982

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Governing Policy: POL-4914 Learning and Development Grant Policy

Eligibility summary	SET Trainees and Junior Doctors who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
Number offered	Variable
Interest area	Pursuing a career in surgery

This scholarship, sponsored by Johnson and Johnson (J&J) MedTech, supports activities undertaken by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander SET Trainees as they pursue their surgical training, or by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Junior Doctors to support activities to strengthen their surgical career pathway.

Conditions

This guideline outlines information specific to the respective scholarship's purpose, duration, conditions and recipient eligibility. For all the conditions for this scholarship it is essential that you also read the Learning and Development Policy and the Indigenous Grant Program Policy.

Applicant eligibility

Applications are open to:

- SET Trainees currently enrolled in the SET program
- Junior Doctors registered in Australia or Aotearoa New Zealand

Where two applications are of equal merit, preference will be given to enrolled SET Trainees.

Eligible activity

This scholarship could cover one or more of the following:

- SET registration, course and examination fees
- Travel and accommodation to attend surgical skills training workshops
- Attendance or presentation of a paper and/or poster at a medical, surgical or Indigenous Health conference (preference will be given to research project results and outcomes)
- Surgical-related research projects
- Course fees
- Professional development opportunities as deemed beneficial by the Indigenous Health Committee (IHC) and/or selection panel
- Mentoring programs

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Recipient obligations:

- 12 months post-grant activity, the recipient is encouraged upon invitation to attend a speaking engagement with J&J (either virtually or in-person as agreed by the recipient and J&J) to provide insight into how the grant has impacted their career.
- The recipient has the option to act in an advisory role to the J&J Reconciliation Action Plan Committee.

Application criteria

Applications which are to be made via the Unlock system are to include the following:

- The applicant's aspirations and interest in pursuing a surgical career
- The relevance of this application to their current stage of training or medical career
- A breakdown of the proposed use of the grant
- Where relevant, details of travel, professional development, study and/or research to be undertaken
- Envisaged benefits of the activity
- Current and future commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
- Their contribution to advancing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and contributing to the elimination of health inequities between these populations and non-Indigenous populations
- Confirmation of eligibility for membership to the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA)

Selection panel

The selection panel must include the Chair (or nominee) of the Indigenous Health Committee (IHC) and include at least three of any of the following (or their nominees) as is most relevant to the applicant:

- Members of the IHC
- Chair, Committee of Surgical Education
- Training Chair, Prevocational and Skills Education Committee
- Censor in Chief
- President, AIDA

Financial arrangements

The scholarship funding will be paid to the successful applicant following receipt of a valid tax invoice as requested by the Scholarship and Grant department. Payment will be made in one instalment before 1 March in the Scholarship year.

Funding Source

The scholarship is funded from sponsorship received from J&J MedTech.