Dietitians Australia General Policy and Procedure Manual

Awards

Chester Goodsell Memorial Award

# Rationale and Purpose of Award

This award honours the contributions of the late Chester Goodsell (1956 -2020) who was the creator of FoodWorks (Xyris), the leading software package for nutrition analysis in Australasia. Chester considered developing innovative nutrition analysis solutions for the good of all to be his life's work. Thousands of dietitians and nutritionists as well as the Australian public have benefited from his passion for using technology to make accurate and empowering nutrition analysis readily available.

The *Chester Goodsell Memorial Award* is a tribute to his life and contribution to the profession and public health, proudly sponsored by Xyris Pty Ltd and Rob Clifton-Steele.

# Form of THE AWARD

The successful award winner will receive:

* The award presented at the Dietitians Australia awards ceremony
* A *Chester Goodsell Memorial Award* certificate
* Subscription to FoodWorks for 12 months
* Financial contribution based on sponsorship support
* Their name listed in the Annual Report
* Their name listed in the Awards section of the Dietitians Australia website
* Promotion as the winner through various member communication channels (I.e., social media, Share Plate and/or direct email)

# selection criteria

When submitting a nomination, address all criteria, in enough detail, so the response can be scored. To be eligible for the *Chester Goodsell Memorial Award*, the following criteria **must** be met.

The eligible candidates must have made outstanding contribution to the use of technology in the field of evidence-based nutrition analysis for health and wellbeing, in **one or more** of the following areas:

* the empowerment of individuals to manage their own health and wellbeing
* Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health
* client-centred care
* public welfare

Commercial initiatives will not be eligible.

# nomination process

Members may nominate annually any number of candidates for the Chester Goodsell Memorial Award.

1. Nominations must be submitted on the official Nomination Form (Appendix 1).
2. Nominations and supporting documentation must be in electronic form and in Word format for the preparation of reports.
3. Save this document in a different name: that of the person being nominated   
   (eg: JONES\_Mary – 2023 Chester Goodsell Memorial Award).
4. Nominations and supporting documentation must address the selection criteria.
5. Names of nominators (proposer and seconder) including signatures must be supplied on the Nomination Form.
6. Add electronic signature where available. Where not available, a signed copy will need to be scanned and emailed to the Award and Recognition Advisory Committee (ARAC) Secretariat with the nomination submission.

Nomination documentation as outlined above must be submitted to the ARAC Secretariat, [awards@dietitiansaustralia.org.au](mailto:awards@dietitiansaustralia.org.au?subject=2022%20Barbara%20Chester%20Memorial%20Award%20Application) by **COB Monday 16 January 2023.**

**Late applications will not be accepted.**

# Method of selection

The Chester Goodsell Memorial Award is a tribute to his life and contribution to the profession and public health.

* The ARAC will consider nominations in accordance with the selection criteria.
* The ARAC along with Amanda Davis APD (Chester’s sister-in-law) and Erica Lee (Chester’s wife) will be responsible for the selection.
* Only one Chester Goodsell Memorial Award may be awarded in any one year.

# notification and award Presentation

* The successful nominees and the member/s who made nominations will be notified in March 2023 of the ARAC’s decisions regarding their particular nominations.
* The successful nominee will receive the award in an official presentation at the Dietitians Australia Awards Ceremony at the Conference Dinner in July 2023, and invited to give a short oration.
* The successful nominee will need to submit a high-resolution professional photo for publishing in Dietitians Australia awards promotions and Annual Report.

## Appendix

1. Chester Goodsell Memorial Award

# Appendix 1: Chester Goodsell Memorial Award Nomination Form

**Nominations will only be considered if submitted on this Form**

Nominee’s Title and Name:

Nominee’s Employer (organisation):

Nominee’s Manager’s Name:

Demonstrate how the nominee has met the mandatory selection criteria. Attach additional information if necessary.

Provide a brief (maximum 100 words) citation **suitable for publishing in the Annual Report** summarising the nominee’s relevant achievements.

Provide a short biography (maximum 200 words) **suitable for publishing in the Annual Report**.

Proposer’s name (1): Seconder’s name (2):

Employment Position: Employment Position:

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Signed by:

Proposer: Seconder:

Date: Date:

Email completed nomination forms to ARAC Secretariat [awards@dietitiansaustralia.org.au](mailto:awards@dietitiansaustralia.org.au?subject=2022%20Barbara%20Chester%20Memorial%20Award%20Application)

**Completed forms must be received at the National Office by 5pm AEDT Monday 16 January 2023**