Awards

Conference Awards | Oral Award Category: New Conference Presenter Award

RATIONALE AND PURPOSE

Dietitians Australia present several awards for Conference presentations each year, across a number of categories to promote nutrition research within the profession, with a focus on new researchers, to encourage practice-based research by all members and to encourage participation and contribution to the Dietitians Australia Conferences.

The New Conference Presenter Award is awarded to a presenter who has never presented at a Dietitians Australia Conference before.

PRESENTATION FORMAT

A standard 10 minute (8mins + 2mins Q&A) oral research presentation by one speaker at Conference in a Theatre format, reporting one of the following:

- original research or project findings
- papers reporting work-in-progress
- methodological papers
- case presentations
- professional practice issues

Key feature:

- Sharing findings from research or other projects

FORM OF THE AWARD

The successful award winner will receive:

- The award presented at the Dietitians Australia Conference Awards Ceremony
- A New Conference Presenter Award certificate
- A voucher to attend a Dietitians Australia Education Centre CPD event or Centre for Advanced Learning course (other than the Conference) to the value of $120
- Highly commended certificates will be issued to the second ranked paper, and in the event of a tie, two certificates may be issued
- Their name listed in the Annual Report
• Their name listed in the Awards section of the Dietitians Australia website
• Their name promoted through various member communication channels as part of overall award promotions (i.e., social media, Share Plate and/or direct email)

SELECTION CRITERIA & APPLICATION PROCESS
Awards are presented to individuals and to be eligible for a New Conference Presenter Award, the following criteria must be met by the author:

• Nominate for an oral presentation at the time of abstract submission
• Must be the presenter and the first author
• Must be a financial member of Dietitians Australia after member renewal close of the Conference year
• Must be registered to attend the Dietitians Australia National Conference

METHOD OF SELECTION
1. Following conference abstract scoring, the abstracts selected for oral presentation, who have ticked the oral presentation box, will be short listed for the prize. A minimum of three (3) and maximum of six (6) abstracts will be short-listed provided there are three suitable abstracts.
2. The Conference and Awards Support Officer will check the eligibility of the abstract for the award.
3. A judging panel comprising Scientific and Social Program Committee members, Advanced APDs and/or Fellows will score the poster presentations against the Evaluation Criteria (Appendix 1) at the Dietitians Australia Conference.
4. No award will be presented if the standard of abstracts and presentations is considered unsatisfactory by the panel.

AWARD PRESENTATION
• The successful presenter will receive the award in an official presentation at the Dietitians Australia Conference Awards Ceremony on the final day of the Conference.
• The Dietitians Australia President or representative will present the award.
• If present, the recipient may collect their award; otherwise, it will be posted to them.

Appendix
1. Conference Awards Evaluation Criteria
## APPENDIX 1: CONFERENCE AWARDS EVALUATION CRITERIA

**Presenter's Name:** ____________________________  **Presentation Title:** ____________________________  **Presentation #** ______

**Presentation format:** ____________________________  **Presentation Session (Theme/Date/Time/Room):** ______

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<td>Explanation of Methods and Results&lt;br&gt;Fair overview using mostly justifiable</td>
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<td>Appropriate Discussion and Conclusion&lt;br&gt;Mostly relevant discussion and</td>
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<td>Audio visuals, Presentation Skills and Response to Questions&lt;br&gt;Audio-visual aids</td>
<td>Good audio-visual aids, some engagement via presentation skills; including</td>
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<td>Clarity of overall presentation, internal consistency and time keeping&lt;br&gt;Fair</td>
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**Reviewer's Name:** _______________________

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