

Regulations Governing Young Surgeon's Award

Preamble

The First Joint Meeting of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh and Chapter of Surgeons, Academy of Medicine, Singapore in November 1984 inaugurated a Surgeon-in-Training Award. The Award was presented to the best original unpublished paper read by a Surgeon-in-Training. Surgical trainees from Singapore and other countries submitted excellent and commendable work. The six papers which were subsequently shortlisted for presentation at the Award session were of remarkable standard and quality. The College of Surgeons, Singapore (then Chapter of Surgeons) agreed that the Award should be perpetuated to encourage young surgical trainees to continue pursuing surgical research and producing papers of the highest standards.

Frequency of Award

The Award will be presented biennially at the Annual Combined Surgical Meeting / Annual Scientific Meeting or in the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine when it is held in Singapore.

Eligibility for Selection

The Award will be given for the best original unpublished paper read by a young surgeon. Submissions must be of first authorship. A Young Surgeon is defined as someone below 35 years of age who has not yet attained a hospital Consultant position on the date of submission of the paper.

Submission consists of the full text and an abstract of not more than 300 words. Submission of both full text and abstract are to be in both Word Format and PDF files. They must be received by The College Secretariat, College of Surgeons, Singapore by 1500hrs, 31 March 2017 for short-listing. Shortlisted paper(s) will be presented and delivered by the author(s) at the Meeting / Congress for judging by an invited panel of judges. Author(s) have to submit their presentation power point slides one week before the presentation date. Author(s) will be asked questions pertaining to the research described in the paper by the judging panel. The Award will be granted to the best selected unpublished paper after all shortlisted paper(s) are presented. The Award is confined to young surgeons practising in Singapore. The Award presentation will be held at the Singapore-Malaysia Congress of Medicine Gala Dinner.

Only original work carried out in the Singapore-Malaysia region by the doctor that has not been previously published will be considered. This does not exclude papers read at Conferences outside the Singapore-Malaysia region that might have been published in proceedings or abstracts.

The Panel of Judges adjudicating the Young Surgeon's Award will comprise the following:

- a. College President
- b. THREE judges representing the different sub-specialties

The President of the College of Surgeons shall chair the panel.

Terms of Award

The Award winner will be eligible to apply to the Council of the College of Surgeons, Singapore for funds to attend an international meeting of his/her specialty. The sum for the Award is capped at S\$4,000.00. The winner will also receive a Certificate for the Award. The award is valid for two years from the date of the letter of notification of winning and must be claimed with the following supporting documents:

- a. Brochure of the international conference that the Award was used for.
- b. Original receipts of actual expenditure incurred relating to the conference attended.

Incomplete submissions will render the claim not being processed or result in a delay in processing.

Publication of Lecture

The College reserves the right to publish, in full, the paper selected for the Young Surgeon's Award in the Annals of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore.