

# AIDA AWARDS

## THE AIDA AWARDS FRAMEWORK

### Introduction

The AIDA Awards recognise and celebrate our members' outstanding contributions towards improving the health and life outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

### Purpose

This purpose of this framework is to provide clarity around the AIDA Awards categories, eligibility and the awards nomination criteria. The framework also formalises the nominations process and the judging process and advises the responsibilities of AIDA, the nominee, the nominator and the judging panel.

### 1. Award Categories

- [Indigenous Doctor of the Year](#)
- [Indigenous Medical Student of the Year](#)
- [Associate Member of the Year](#)

### 2. Eligibility

#### Nominee

The awards are open to current members of AIDA in the following three membership categories:

- Indigenous doctor members (minimum two years membership).
- Indigenous medical student members (minimum one year membership).
- Associate members (minimum two years membership).

Current AIDA Board members and members of the AIDA Awards judging panel are not eligible for nomination.

#### Nominator

An eligible nominee can be nominated by:

- a current AIDA member;
- a current or former colleague, supervisor or superior; or
- a current or former lecturer or dean.

Nominations will not be accepted by current AIDA Board members, members of the AIDA Awards judging panel, or the nominee's immediate family members.

### 3. Nomination criteria

#### Indigenous Doctor of the Year

Awarded to a current Indigenous medical doctor member who has been a member of AIDA for a minimum of two years. The recipient has made a significant contribution to improving the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples through:

1. service to Indigenous community;
2. service to the medical profession;
3. service to AIDA and commitment to AIDA's vision and values;
4. being a role model; and
5. undertaking research.

#### Indigenous Medical Student of the Year

Awarded to a current Indigenous medical student, who has been a member of AIDA for a minimum of one year. The recipient has made a significant contribution to improving the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples through:

1. service to Indigenous community;
2. health initiatives and health awareness;
3. service to AIDA and commitment to AIDA's vision and values;
4. being a role model; and
5. undertaking research.

#### Associate Member of the Year

Awarded to a current Associate member, who has been a member of AIDA for a minimum of two years. The recipient has made a significant contribution to improving the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples through:

1. service to Indigenous community;
2. service to the medical profession;
3. service to AIDA and commitment to AIDA's vision and values;
4. being a role model; and
5. undertaking research.

#### 4. Nominations process

Nominations will open for a minimum for two months and will be received via the online portal on the AIDA website.

- Each nomination criterion will have a specific individual weighting.
- The first four nomination criteria in each category require a mandatory response, while the fifth criterion is optional. Mandatory responses left unanswered will result in an invalid nomination.
- A minimum of three nominations must be received in each category for the Award to be judged. If there are insufficient nominees the category will be unawarded.
- Nominators must notify the nominee that they are nominating them and the nominee must agree to be nominated.

#### 5. Judging process

The judging panel consists of the three AIDA Board members who make up the AIDA Membership Committee, plus the AIDA President and an AIDA Patron.

- Following the close of nominations the judging panel will be sent copies of all nominations, electronically and by express post. A teleconference will take place approximately seven days later to select three finalists in each category.
- Judging will be based purely on the on the content of the nomination. Should any of the judges on the judging panel have prior knowledge of a nominee, this knowledge will not be taken into account.
- The finalists will be notified two weeks after nominations close.
- The AIDA Award winners will be announced at the Gala Dinner during the AIDA Conference.

#### Key dates for AIDA Awards 2019

**February** – award nominations open.

**Sunday, 28 July** – award nominations close.

**Tuesday, 30 July** – eligible nominations sent to the judging panel.

**August** – teleconference with judging panel to select finalists.

**Friday, 9 August** – finalists notified.

**Friday, 4 October** – award winners announced at Gala Dinner.

#### Judging panel for AIDA Awards 2019

AIDA Membership Committee: Dr Melissa Carroll  
Mr Benjamin Jones and Dr Shannon Springer  
AIDA President: Dr Kristopher Rallah-Baker  
AIDA Patron: Dr Philip Truskett

#### Contact

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