**The Professor Helen Christensen Award**

Named after Professor Helen Christensen a ground-breaking Australian mental health researcher, leader and former ASPR (SMHR) President. This award will be for landmark or large-scale studies or breakthrough research that is of high national or international significance.

Nominations from the award can come either from the individual being nominated or any member of SMHR can nominate someone that they believe deserves the award.

Nominee

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| Title  |  |
| Name  |  |
| Institution/s  |  |
| Position/s  |  |
| Current member of SMHR?  |  |
| Is the Nominee aware of the nomination?  |  |

Nominator

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| Title  |  |
| Name  |  |
| Institution/s  |  |
| Position/s  |  |
| Current member of SMHR?  |  |
| Relationship to nominee?  |  |

Criteria for the Professor Helen Christensen Medal

The award is evaluated by a panel of the SMHR Executive Committee. The committee will consider the research/trial/study that has been put forward and consider the impact that the research has had. There is no requirement to include a CV of the nominee for this award. The award recognises the importance of step-change, large vision research to mental health research more generally.

The nominated individual must be a paid-up member of SMHR by the closing date for the award.

SMHR Executive Committee members **are not** eligible for this award while they are on the committee.

Details of Award

The award includes a certificate which will be presented at the SMHR 2025 Conference, $1000 travel support (contingent on attendance) as well as complimentary conference registration. The awardee will be featured on the SMHR website.

Obligations

The successful applicant may be required to present at the 2025 SMHR Conference in Adelaide.

Award Sponsor

Society for Mental Health Research

Nominator’s statement

Description of the research, its impact and the nominee’s role in the research (750 words)

Applications should be uploaded via the website with the file format 2025\_AWARD NAME\_APPLICANT SURNAME.PDF “

**Due date:** **29 August 2025 by 5pm AEST**

*Applications must be made on this form and will not be accepted after the deadline.*

Successful applicants will be advised by late September.