



# RADPHARM AWARD RULES

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- The **RADPHARM Technologist Case Presentation Award**, hereafter termed the **Award**, will be held in conjunction with the Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Nuclear Medicine (ANZSNM), hereafter termed the Society.
- Entrants to the Award will be registered Nuclear Medicine Technologists employed within the field of Nuclear Medicine. Such entrants will have been financial members of the Society for at least 3 months at the time of presentation at the State, NZ or Rural RADPHARM Award session. Presentation for the award for both Part 1 and Part 2 can only be made by one individual technologist and this must be the same person for both presentations.
- The Award will be made for an **Oral Case Presentation (one (1) patient) performed within the Nuclear Medicine workplace**.
- The Award comprises two (2) parts. An initial **Sponsorship** (part 1) will be made to the winning entrant in their local branch of the ANZSNM. The **Award** (Part 2) will be made at the Technologist Symposium of the ASM.
- Previous State (branch) Winners may submit and present further case studies, however, they will be ineligible to become the State Winning Entrant for a period of two years.
- Entrants to Part 1 and Part 2 of the Award must present their case study within 7 months, the case unchanged in the intervening period.

## Part 1 - Sponsorship

- Entries for the Award are to present an oral case study at their local branch meeting or at a pre-arranged rural meeting site (as per Appendix A). The local branch or approved rural site shall be the region in which:
  - (a) the entrant is employed/studying in the field of Nuclear Medicine and,
  - (b) where the case study was obtained.
- The local branches in Australia shall be deemed one of the following:
  - (a) NSW
  - (b) QLD
  - (c) SA (including NT)
  - (d) ACT
  - (e) VIC (including Tasmania)
  - (f) WA

- The **Rural entrant must fulfil *one (1)* of the following eligibility criteria:**
  - (a) employed in a department in an RRMA (Rural Remote Metropolitan Area) classified rural or remote area (see Appendix A);
  - (b) a department more than 200km from their state capital;
  - (c) a department more than 100km from any other Nuclear Medicine Department;
  - (d) a department more than 200km from their relevant ANZSNM branch meeting.
  
- Entrants to the Award are to present to the local ANZSNMT representative a signed RADPHARM Award Entrant Form (Appendix B), countersigned by the department head indicating the extent of assistance received during the course of the case study work. In the case of a video presentation this statement should also confirm that the presentation was performed in accordance with the Rules and that the video has not been edited. The case presentation must be presented by one (1) individual technologist.
- The local ANZSNMT representative must submit the signed RADPHARM Award Entrant Form for the winning case presentation to the ANZSNM secretariat within one (1) month of the part 1 presentation.
  
- Entrants to the Award {Part 1 and 2}, are to present their case study in a maximum of ten (10) minutes. The total presentation time will be divided as:
  - (a) Oral Case Presentation      7 Minutes - Maximum
  - (b) Question Time                      3 Minutes - Maximum
  
- The local branch representative of the ANZSNMT will organise a venue and time for the presentation of case by entrants for the Award, in the year prior to the ASM of the Society each year. Entrants to the Award who are normally located remotely from the presentation venue may submit a video presentation, performed before an audience of professional healthcare colleagues, to be viewed by the audience and judges at the presentation meeting. The current entrant will be available via telephone link to answer questions from the presentation meeting.
- Judges for the Part 1 sponsorships shall determine the winning case presentation. The winning entrant for each local branch or Rural entrant awarded the sponsorship shall be termed a National finalist.
- The Part 1 sponsorships will be judged by a panel of up to three (3) Nuclear Medicine Technologists, each nominated by the ANZSNMT committee. The judging panel must not be drawn from the same department/workplace as an entry to the Award.
- If there is only one case presentation within a State/NZ/Rural, the case study must be presented to a panel of three (3) Nuclear Medicine Technologists at a presentation night or Branch meeting. The panel of judges must judge whether the presentation is of a suitable standard and hence eligible for the Sponsorship. If judged to be unsuitable, there will be no winner from that Home State or NZ.
- The National finalist will be sponsored by RADPHARM/GMS for full registration to attend the Technologist Symposium of the ASM, to present their winning case study. Winners of Part 1 Sponsorship are the only entrant to Part 2 of the Award.
- In the event of no entrants being judged suitable, requests for feedback must be directed to the local State branch secretary. A response will be given in writing after review by the State branch committee and if needed by an independent member of the ANZSNMT committee.

## Part 2 - The Award

- National finalists must submit an abstract of their winning case presentation for the Technologist Symposium as with any proffered paper. Submission of abstract must be in accordance with the requirements of the ASM.
- The audience will be informed that the presentation is an entry for the **RADPHARM Technologist Case Presentation Award**.
- The Award shall be judged by a panel of three (3) Nuclear Medicine Technologists. The panel will be nominated by the State Branch representative of the ANZSNMT. The panel must include the nominated State representative of the ANZSNMT. All panel members are to be full financial members of the Society. Where possible the judging panel should not be drawn from the same workplace/department as any entry to the award.
- The Sponsorship and the Award will be decided on the following criteria with value specified,

(c) Presentation	40%
(d) Content (Correlative Investigations may be used)	35%
(e) Interest/Value of paper to Nuclear Medicine	10%
(f) Contribution of Nuclear Medicine to patient management	15%
- The **RADPHARM Technologist Case Presentation Award** will be presented upon conclusion of the Conference.
- The recipient of the Award should provide to the Secretariat, an appropriate summary of the case study presentation for publication in the *Gamma Gazette*.

## Appendix A:

The Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area (RRMA) classification was developed in 1994 by the Department of Primary Industries and Energy, and the then Department of Human Services and Health, which is now the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. <sup>(1)</sup>

Seven (7) categories are included in this classification – 2 metropolitan, 3 rural and 2 remote. The classification is based on Statistical Local Areas (SLA) and allocates each SLA in Australia to a category based primarily on population numbers and an index of remoteness. The index is used to allocate non-metropolitan SLAs to either the rural or remote zone.

<b>Zone</b>		<b>Category</b>
Metropolitan Zone	M1	Capital cities
	M2	Other metropolitan centres (urban population > 100,000)
Rural Zone	R1	Large rural centres (urban centre population 25,000 – 99,999)
	R2	Small rural centres (urban centre population 10,000 – 24,999)
	R3	Other rural areas (urban centre population < 10,000)
Remote Zone	Rem1	Remote centres (urban centre population > 4,999)
	Rem2	Other remote areas (urban centre population < 5,000)

The RADPHARM award eligibility criteria refers only to the Rural and remote classification zones.



# RADPHARM ENTRANT APPLICATION FORM

APPENDIX B

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Abstract Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Authors: \_\_\_\_\_

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State/Category:     NSW                       VIC/TAS                       SA                       QLD  
                                  WA                       ACT                       NZ                       Rural

I \_\_\_\_\_ state that this case study entry for the RADPHARM Award has been prepared with the assistance of the above listed authors and the approval of the department head\*\*

Entrant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Dep. Head Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* The Rural entrant must fulfil one (1) of the following eligibility criteria:

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