The RCGP Research Paper of the Year Award 2014 (awarded in 2015)

**Background**

The [Research Paper of the Year (RPY)](www.rcgp.org.uk/circ/) award gives recognition to an individual or group of researchers who have undertaken and published an exceptional piece of research relating to general practice or primary care.

This award will be presented at the RCGP Annual Conference in October 2015. The overall winner will be selected from category winning research papers.

**Award Categories**

Entries must be submitted under one of the following categories.

The RCGP RPY category prize for:

**Category 1: Cancer**

Cancer

**Category 2: CVD, Renal, Respiratory, Oral, ENT & Ophthalmology**

Cardiovascular, Ear, Nose & Throat, Renal, Respiratory Health, Stroke & Hypertension, Oral & Dental Health, Ophthalmology

**Category 3: Children, Reproduction, Genetics, Infections**

Antimicrobial Resistance, Children, Genetics, Infectious Diseases and Microbiology, Maternal Health, Rare Diseases, Reproductive Health and Childbirth

**Category 4: Neurology, Mental Health and Dementia**

Autism, Dementia & Neurodegeneration (DeDRNoN), Intellectual disabilities, Mental Health, Neurological Disorders

**Category 5: Health Service Delivery and Public Health (includes generic primary care topics)**

Ageing, Anaesthesia, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Management, Care Planning, Carers, Domestic Abuse, Effectiveness of Interventions/ Quality of Care, End of Life Care, Generalist Care, Health Communication & Behaviour Change, Health Inequalities, Health Service & Delivery Research, Medicines, Management & Polypharmacy, Multimorbidity & Complex Needs, Online Access, Patient Safety, Preventing Over Diagnosis & Overtreatment, Primary Care, Public Health, Service Delivery, Social Inclusion, Surgery

**Category 6: Endocrinology (inc Diabetes), Gastroenterology, Musculoskeletal & Trauma, and Dermatology,**

Critical Care, Dermatology, Diabetes, Endocrine, Gastrointestinal, Herpetology, Injuries and Emergencies, Musculoskeletal Disorders, Nutrition for Health

A research paper will be selected from each category as the winner of that category. The overall award winner will be selected from the category winners.
Submissions Process
To submit a research paper for RPY please complete this form. You will be asked to provide:
- Research paper title, journal
- PubMed link to the paper
- Nominate a category for the entry
- Confirm that the paper meets the eligibility criteria outlined below
- Names of authors who were practising GPs at the time of publication
- Provide contact details (we will only contact you regarding the RPY if we have difficulty obtaining the research paper)

Eligibility
Category
A research paper may only be entered in one category.

Dates
The paper must have been published between 1st January and 31st December 2014, in a peer-reviewed English language journal, published in any country. This includes research papers that are only available online. For papers that are “epub ahead of print” the date of first online publication of the final version will specify the publication year.

Location
The research study must relate to a research project which has been undertaken within the United Kingdom (UK) and/or the Republic of Ireland (ROI). For papers describing research involving other countries, the lead author must be based in UK or ROI, and the UK or ROI must have been the main or joint main site for conducting the research.

Findings
The findings of the paper should be directly applicable to general practice and/or primary care.

Authors
At least one of the authors must have been an active General Practitioner within the UK or ROI at the time the study was undertaken. The award is open to all General Practitioners and is not restricted to members of the RCGP.

Deadline
Deadline for submissions: 12pm, Monday 2 March 2014
Should you have difficulty submitting research papers using the format please contact CIRC:
Email: RPY@rcgp.org.uk / Telephone: 0203 188 7594.

Please note that we are unable to confirm submissions by email on an individual basis.