

Medicines New Zealand



Medicines New Zealand *Value of Medicines Award 2017*

Medicines New Zealand has been offering an annual award since 2011 to reward an outstanding piece of research into the *Value of Medicines*. Medicines New Zealand is the industry association representing companies engaged in the research, development, manufacture and marketing of prescription medicines.

Purpose

The *Value of Medicines Award* aims to support continuing advancement in medical science within the context of the healthcare system. The *Award* recognises innovative research which improves the understanding, effectiveness or safety of the use of medicines or vaccines in New Zealand within the context of public health or the healthcare system. The *Award* is to be used to support the continuation, or development of a new research programme into a related area of research.

Value

The *Award* will take the form of a single cash payment of \$20,000.

Eligibility

- Researchers who are undertaking research in New Zealand.
- Individuals or research teams may be considered.
- The research must have been recently completed and published within the last 24 months.
- Research initiated by or financially sponsored by Medicines New Zealand or by pharmaceutical companies is not eligible.

Selection Criteria

- The prime criterion for the prize will be consideration of one nominated paper arising out of research carried out in New Zealand.
- The completed research will have to demonstrate a benefit to public health or the health care system, through improving the understanding, effectiveness or safety of the use of medicines in New Zealand.
- There must be evidence of peer review.

Special Requirements

1. The winner agrees to participate in all reasonable publicity associated with the *Value of Medicines Award*.
2. Completed research and proposed research will be presented at a mutually agreed meeting with Medicines New Zealand within six months of receiving the *Value of Medicines Award*.
3. The winner agrees to update Medicines New Zealand on the progress of the research one year following receiving the Award.

Terms & Conditions

1. The applicants must complete the application form.
2. Applications should include an executive summary of no more than 400 words with supporting documents attached.
3. The application should describe how the research improved the understanding, effectiveness or safety of the use of medicines in New Zealand.
4. The application must describe how the *Award* is to be used to support further research.
5. Applications open 31 July 2017.
6. Entries can be made online at www.medicinesnz.co.nz/our-work/value-of-medicines-award/ or by posting the application form and supporting documents to PO Box 10-447 Wellington 6143.
7. Entries close at 9am on Friday 6 October 2017.
8. All entries will be acknowledged by email.
9. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the *Award* entry has been received by Medicines New Zealand.
10. All applicants must meet the eligibility criteria.
11. The judging panel will be comprised of two Medicines New Zealand representatives and up to three independent research clinicians.
12. Ownership of the research must be established to the judges' satisfaction.
13. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
14. The winner will be notified by Medicines New Zealand not later than Friday 27 October 2017.
15. The winner will be announced at a Medicines New Zealand Parliamentary Cocktail event in November 2017.
16. The winner is eligible to have their travel expenses within New Zealand to attend the *Award* presentation covered by Medicines New Zealand, if they are based outside of Wellington.

Value of Medicines Award Application Form

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____
Title *First* *Last*

Address: _____
Street Address

_____ *City* *Postcode*

Phone: () _____ Email: _____

Organisation: _____

Position: _____

Checklist

Please attach hard copies of the following documents to this application form.

Curriculum Vitae

Executive Summary - no more than 400 words

Peer Reviewed Publication

Supporting Documents

Explain in no more than 250 words how the Value of Medicines Award would contribute to continued research or a related area of research.

Signature

Date