



Douglas Cohen Prize for Paediatric Surgery

Terms and Conditions

1. Background

- a. The Douglas Cohen Prize for Paediatric Surgery is awarded for the best reflective essay on any aspect of paediatric surgery.
- b. This Prize was established in 1985 by the annual donation from the Board of Management of the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children. The Prize is now sponsored by the Children's Hospital at Westmead.

2. Eligibility Criteria

- a. Applicants must be enrolled in Year 3 of the Doctor of Medicine at the University of Sydney.
- b. Applicants must have completed or be in the process of completing the Child and Adolescent Health (CAH) Specialty Block.
- c. Applicants must submit a 1,500-to-2,000-word reflective essay on an aspect of paediatric surgery that they have experienced whilst completing the CAH Speciality Block.
- d. The essay may be based on work from a previous year however a piece of work may only be submitted once for this Prize.

3. Selection Criteria

- a. The Prize will be awarded for the best essay on any aspect of paediatric surgery. The essay must:
 - I. describe the original experience in the CAH Speciality Block (no identifying patient information),
 - II. explain why this experience stimulated them to reflect further from both a personal and professional perspective,
 - III. discuss in detail the aspects they have reflected further on, and
 - IV. outline the impact of the experience on their personal and professional development for the medical studies and future career.
- b. The recipient(s) will be determined by the Head of School and Dean of the Sydney Medical School, on the recommendation of the Head of the Discipline of Child and Adolescent Health.

4. Value

- a. This Prize has a value of \$500.00 and will be paid as a one-off payment.
- b. In the event of two or more applicants being deemed to be of equal merit, the Prize may be shared.
- c. No other amount is payable.



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d. The Prize will be awarded subject to the availability of funds.

5. Ongoing Eligibility

a. None apply.

6. Termination

b. The University reserves the right to withdraw the Prize, if the University determines that the student is guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information that has a relationship to the awarding of this Prize.

c. Once withdrawn the Prize will not be reinstated unless due to University error.