

BSRM Prizes

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Further information, criteria, marking schemes and application forms (where appropriate) are available at www.bsrm.co.uk or from:

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**** Note new criteria ****

BSRM Philip Nichols Prize

Value: £500

The Philip Nichols Prize is awarded annually on a competitive basis and is awarded for excellence. Trainees and newly appointed consultants (3 years or less) are eligible to apply. In the case of consultants, the work submitted must have been undertaken whilst a trainee.

Submissions must be pertinent to Rehabilitation Medicine and may include case reports, literature reviews and original research. Entries should be between 5,000 & 7,500 words and should demonstrate

- solid understanding of research skills
- scientific rigour including suitable discussion of strengths and weaknesses, a suitable critical appraisal of the existing literature and what steps authors have taken to ensure that their knowledge of the literature is complete, eg details of their search technique.

Submissions will, in the first instance, be peer reviewed by a relevant independent panel member after which feedback will be provided to authors who may wish to revise their submission prior to formal adjudication.

Successful authors will be invited to present their work at a national meeting of the BSRM.

The closing date for submissions is September 28th and the adjudicators will decide to whom the prize will be awarded by December 30th.

It remains the right of BSRM not to award the prize if no application of sufficient merit is made.

BSRM Travelling Scholarship

Value: Up to £600

The BSRM Travelling Scholarship is awarded annually on a competitive basis to facilitate travel for the purpose of furthering experience in Rehabilitation Medicine. It is open to all medical doctors, in training posts, in Non Consultant Career Grade posts, and Consultant posts working within the NHS in the UK.

Applications should be made to BSRM upon an application form, supported by a submission of not more than 1000 words outlining:

- the objective of travel
- potential benefits to the applicant
- relevance of the travel to practice of Rehabilitation Medicine

Applications must be submitted by September 28th and the Education Sub Committee of BSRM will adjudicate and decide to whom the Scholarship will be awarded by December 1st. In the event of two or more applications being of equal merit, preference will be given to applicants with limited access to alternative funding.

The Scholarship has a maximum value of £600. This may not be used to meet the costs of the travel in full. Applicants must indicate from where other funding has been sought.

It is a condition of the award of the Scholarship that the recipient must submit a written report to the BSRM on the travel within 3 months of its completion.

The decision of the Education Sub Committee is final and no communication can be entered into between applicants and the BSRM on this matter. It remains the right of BSRM not to award the Scholarship if no application of sufficient merit is made.

Postgraduate Bursary

Applications should be on the appropriate form, submitted by September 28th, and may be made for a grant of up to £1,500 to support a postgraduate student registered for either a PhD or an MD research degree. The grant is open to trainees in Rehabilitation Medicine who are members of the British Society of Rehabilitation Medicine. Applications will be assessed under three criteria; the applicant, the training environment, and the project.

- Successful applicants will demonstrate evidence of academic potential, judged from their academic record and achievements such as research publications, as well as evidence that their clinical training is proceeding satisfactorily.
- The application must be supported by evidence that the applicant's nominated academic supervisor will provide effective training support within an appropriate University, and that there will be adequate facilities to enable the degree to be submitted within an agreed timeframe.
- The project will be judged mainly for its suitability as a vehicle for the acquisition of a range of research skills, which the applicant will specify.

Further information and application form are available from BSRM.

It remains the right of BSRM not to award the bursary if no application of sufficient merit is made.

Medical Student's Essay Prize

Value: £250

The BSRM Medical Student's Essay Prize is awarded annually on a competitive basis. All UK Medical Students are eligible to apply.

There is no application form but submissions should be

- up to 2,500 words in length
- on a subject pertinent to Rehabilitation Medicine from a medical, biological or sociological point of view
- Include a review of relevant literature.

Particular credit will be given for original thought and accounts of personal experience. Further details of criteria and mark scheme are available from BSRM.

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