



FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY RESEARCH & INNOVATIONS AWARD PROGRAM

DESCRIPTION:

Forensic Psychiatry Research Poster Presentation Award

Financial award presented to the successful interdisciplinary team member in the SJHH forensic psychiatry program, who develops a poster presentation reflecting a research project aimed at improving clinical outcomes for patients in the forensic mental health system. The successful award recipient will demonstrate high quality and innovative research, contributing to new knowledge in the field of forensic mental health. The poster presentation will clearly outline key research components, be well organized, clearly written and visually appealing. The poster presentation will be displayed during the annual Radical Collaborations Research Day and/or at the annual Risk & Recovery Forensic Conference.

McMaster Psychiatry Resident's Travel Bursary Award

Financial award presented to a McMaster Psychiatry Resident in the SJHH forensic psychiatry program, who intends to attend the annual Canadian Academy of Psychiatry and the Law Conference taking place in February/March. Attendance at the conference is intended to increase Resident's knowledge in the field of forensic psychiatry. The award will support costs associated with tuition, travel and accommodation. The applicant is required to submit in writing his/her interest in Forensic Psychiatry, and learning goals, demonstrating how knowledge gained from conference participation will inform his/her interventions to improve clinical outcomes with patients in the forensic mental health system. The written proposal will be well organized, and reflect writing that is clear and succinct. The successful recipient will deliver a formal presentation to team members within the forensic psychiatry program in an effort to disseminate knowledge regarding effective interventions.

Forensic Psychiatry Research Award for Trainees

Financial award presented to a trainee affiliated with SJHH, McMaster University or Mohawk College in the SJHH forensic psychiatry program, toward costs associated with the completion of a research project aimed at improving clinical outcomes for patients in the forensic mental health system. The applicant is required to submit in writing an outline of his/her planned research project, clearly describing the following: defined project scope, question to be investigated, ethics board approval, data collection methods, data analysis, budget, timeline, and dissemination of results. The successful award recipient will demonstrate the following: value of the research in contributing to new

knowledge in the field of forensic psychiatry; research that reflects original, innovative work, of high quality based on standard research protocols and ethical guidelines; research that reflects collaboration among interdisciplinary team members; a written submission that reflects superior writing ability, and innovative thinking that will contribute to leading best practices in the field of forensic psychiatry. The successful award recipient will disseminate new knowledge gained from research findings through a formal presentation to team members within the forensic psychiatry program, in an effort to share learnings regarding effective interventions that improve clinical outcome for this patient population.

Forensic Psychiatry Conference Travel Bursary

Financial award presented to interdisciplinary team member in the SJHH forensic psychiatry program, who intends to attend a conference, in order to increase knowledge in the field of forensic psychiatry. The award will support costs associated with tuition, travel and accommodation. Applicant is required to submit in writing his/her interests, demonstrating how knowledge gained from conference participation will inform his/her interventions with patients in the forensic mental health system to improve clinical outcomes. Knowledge gained from conference participation needs to be aligned with the applicant's learning and professional development goals. The successful award recipient will disseminate new knowledge gained from research findings through a formal presentation to team members within the forensic psychiatry program, in an effort to share learnings regarding effective interventions that improve clinical outcome for this patient population.

St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Forensic Psychiatry Program Research Award

Financial award presented to an interdisciplinary team member in the SJHH forensic psychiatry program (\$2000), affiliated with SJHH, McMaster University or Mohawk College, toward costs associated with the completion of a research project aimed at improving clinical outcomes for patients in the mental health forensic system. External applicants are welcome to apply for a dedicated research award in the amount of \$2500.

PROCESS

Please go to the Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton [website](#) to access the application. The Forensic Psychiatry Research and Innovation Award competition is a single-tiered process for eligible applicants. The deadline to apply is by 11:59 pm on April 30th.

All applicants will be notified of the application results in July.

FUNDING

The value of each award is outlined below:

- Forensic Psychiatry Research Poster Presentation Award - \$250.00 (CAD)
- McMaster Psychiatry Resident's Travel Bursary Award - \$500.00 (CAD)
- Forensic Psychiatry Research Award for Trainees - \$1000.00 (CAD)
- Forensic Psychiatry Conference Travel Bursary - \$1000.00 (CAD)
- St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Forensic Psychiatry Program Research Award: (A) Internal Applicants \$2000.000 (CAD) (B) External Applicants \$2500.00 (CAD)

Funding would generally start in September, unless otherwise indicated. The number of awards on offer for any given year's competition is dependent upon funding availability and will be communicated through the Research Institute of St. Joe's [website](#). For some awards, proof of payment is required before funds will be dispersed.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

Forensic Psychiatry Research Poster Presentation Award:

Any staff, clinician, trainee affiliated with the SJHH forensic psychiatry program is eligible to apply for this award.

McMaster Psychiatry Resident's Travel Bursary Award:

Any McMaster Forensic Psychiatry Program Resident is eligible to apply for this award.

Forensic Psychiatry Research Award for Trainees:

Any trainee affiliated with McMaster University, Mohawk College, and the SJHH Forensic Psychiatry Program is eligible to apply for this award.

Forensic Psychiatry Conference Travel Bursary:

Any staff member or clinician in the SJHH Forensic Psychiatry Program is eligible to apply to this award.

St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton Forensic Psychiatry Program Research Award:

Any trainee affiliated with McMaster University, Mohawk College, and the SJHH Forensic Psychiatry Program is eligible to apply for this award.

PREPARATION OF APPLICATION

Go to the Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton [website](#) to access the application. **Applicants must submit their application no later than 11:59pm on April 30.**

Late or incomplete submissions will not be accepted under any circumstance.

REVIEW PROCESS

Applications will be reviewed by the committee struck by the Lead of the Forensic Psychiatry Program ("Committee"). The composition of the Committee will be at the discretion of the Lead of the Forensic Psychiatry Program.

NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS

The following conditions will be observed when notifying candidates on the status of their application:

- The recommendations of the Committee will be forwarded to the Lead of the Forensic Psychiatry Program, who is the final authority for approval
- The deliberations of the Committee are confidential.
- All awardee(s) will be required to sign a terms and conditions agreement prior to receipt of funding.
- All applicants will be notified of the results of their application in July

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The award recipient must complete and submit an annual progress report on the anniversary of their award funding. This report will be reviewed by the Lead of the Forensic Psychiatry Program and the recipient will be notified accordingly. A final report will be due to The Research Institute of St. Joe's Hamilton upon completion of the project or activity.

Award Recipients will disseminate new knowledge gained from research findings or conference participation, through a formal presentation to team members within the Forensic Psychiatry Program.