

NICOLE TURNEY MEMORIAL AWARD

Guidelines for Applicants



Nicole Turney began working as a physiotherapist at Bendigo Base Hospital in 1990. She moved into Intensive Care Senior Physiotherapist roles at Bendigo, Box Hill, and the Austin Hospitals, and was an active committee member for Cardiorespiratory Group in Victoria. Nicole passed away at the Austin Hospital in 1998. The Nicole Turney Memorial Award was set up in Nicole's memory in 1999.

PURPOSE OF THE AWARD

The Nicole Turney Memorial Award aims to recognise early- and mid-career cardiorespiratory clinicians who have demonstrated commitment to innovation and excellence in improving patient and health service outcomes.

The award seeks to connect applicants with an appropriate mentor to further develop their knowledge, skills, and/or capacity to address complex problems in health systems, translate robust evidence into practice, and/or test implementation of interventions in real time.

There are no grant monies attached to this award.

ELIGIBILITY

- The applicant is an APA Cardiorespiratory member or APA Rural member. We encourage clinicians who identify as and/or who work with Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to apply.
- The applicant is currently employed in a full- or part-time clinical role.
- The applicant has conducted or is conducting a clinical or implementation science project relating to cardiorespiratory physiotherapy since January 2019 and is able to demonstrate improvement in patient and/or health service outcomes.
- The applicant is willing to give a presentation and/or write a publication for the InMotion, eNews or similar, reporting on their project and experiences with their mentor as part of the award.

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR APPLICATIONS

Applications will be assessed using the selection criteria described below.

1. Clinical or health service problem and aims (25%, up to 500 words)
 - Describe the significance of the clinical or health service problem and the aims that the project has or will address.
 - The application should include background about the evidence-practice gap, including any local data.
2. Feasibility of the research and implementation plan (25%, up to 500 words)
 - Describe the research methods, analysis plan, and project milestones. Applicants are encouraged to refer to a framework, model, or theory from the literature (e.g., Implementation Science or Quality Improvement) to inform the research plan.
 - The applicant should show how they have established or have the capacity to establish a work program of value to the health system and achieve milestones within a 24-month timeframe.

3. Reach and significance of anticipated impacts (30%, up to 750 words)
 - The application should describe the knowledge generated or potential knowledge that will contribute to the area of cardiorespiratory physiotherapy.
 - The application should describe the impact or potential impact on patient, clinical, and/or health service outcomes.
4. Collaboration, including any consumer and primary care involvement (20%, up to 500 words)
 - Describe how the team has or will work together, including activities to build a strong sustainable collaboration.
 - Include any consumer or community representation.

THE ASSESSMENT PROCESSES

- Applications must be submitted using the provided Application Form. Apart from APA membership information, no additional documents are required.
- All eligible applications will proceed to assessment by the APA Cardiorespiratory National Committee.
- Successful recipients will be informed via email and awarded at the APA IGNITE 2023 Physiotherapy Conference.
- Enquiries can be directed to [Jenny Robertson](#)

CLOSING DATE

Email completed application forms to [Jenny Robertson](#) by 24 September 2023.

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2023 Application Form



APPLICANT DETAILS

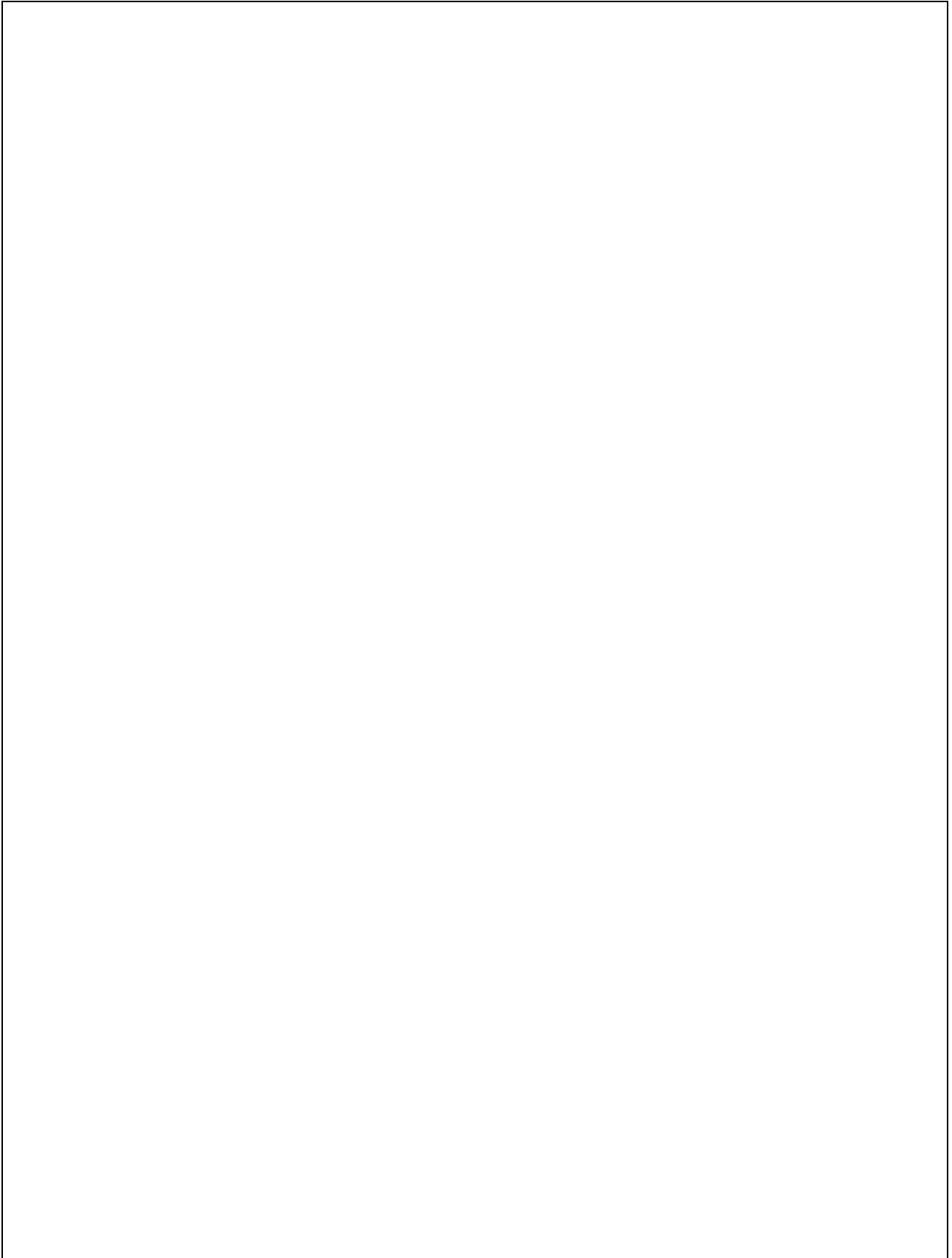
Name	
Email	
APA Membership number	

Cardiorespiratory National Group Member Yes No
Rural National Group Member Yes No

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MENTOR QUALITIES (UP TO 200 WORDS)

Describe the qualities of your ideal mentor that would help to further develop your knowledge, skills, and/or capacity. Specify the role (e.g., clinical, research, academic, executive) or discipline (e.g., clinical research, public health, health technology, laboratory) of your ideal mentor if appropriate.

By submitting this application, I agree to:

- give a presentation and/or write a publication for the InMotion, eNews or similar, reporting on my project and experiences with my mentor as part of the Nicole Turney Memorial Award.

Signature of applicant:

Date: