

## Wounds Australia Clinical Excellence Award 2020

### Award Suitability Guidelines

#### General Information

The Wounds Australia Clinical Excellence Award will be presented in recognition of a Wounds Australia member's excellence in clinical services that contribute to the delivery of quality patient care.

Wounds Australia has announced that nominations for the 2020 round are now open.

The winner of the award will be announced at the Wounds Australia National Conference held in Brisbane from 4-7 November 2020.

#### Who can apply for this award?

Practicing wound care professionals who are:

1. Providing the majority of the clinical services in wound care in Australia;
2. A financial member of Wounds Australia.

In order to be considered, the consent form ( available on the web site) must be completed and submitted with the following documentation:

1. Up to date Curriculum Vitae, including length of clinical services in wound care
2. A statement addressing the award criteria below (maximum 250 words for each criterion)
3. Two letters of recommendation. One from your manager/employer is recommended showing excellent clinical skills as evidenced by feedback from patients and peers.

#### Award Criteria

To be eligible to apply for this award, the nominee should comply with the criteria below.

Note: not every sub-criteria examples in dot points under each criterion need be met.

1. **Demonstrate the nominee has significantly enhanced clinical effectiveness (the quality, safety, and cost-effectiveness) of services locally and for more widely within the State / Australia. This could include, for example:**
  - Developing and completing relevant audit to implement evidence-based practice;
  - Improved service delivery, with a demonstrable effect, for example, how has their service become more patient-centered and accessible?;
  - Innovation in service delivery, with a demonstrable effect, for example, Improved productivity and efficiency due to service redesign;
  - Development of new health or healthcare plans or policies to modernise health services or professional practice in wound care.

2. Demonstrate the nominee has made a substantial personal contribution to leading and managing a local service, or national/international service or health policy development, could include:

- Evidence of positive outcomes as a result of effective leadership inputs and processes;
- Giving examples of specific achievements in terms of improved -the quality of care for patients;
- Evidence of excellence in leading the development and delivery of preventative initiatives including working with other agencies such as local authorities and the voluntary sector;
- Development of individuals or a team in support of improved patient care. Please provide specific examples e.g. of mentoring or coaching;
- An ambassadorial or change champion role;
- Demonstrating their contribution to removing barriers and positively promoting diversity in the workplace, and achieve equality and inclusion outcomes thus enabling the career progression of clinicians;
- Working across organisational and professional boundaries in support of improved patient care;
- A leadership contribution to developing patient-focused services;
- Membership of a Wounds Australia committee;
- Excellence in team leadership for which they take sole, rotational or shared responsibility.

3. Demonstrate teaching and training provided in a clinical setting form a major part of the contribution that nominee makes, over and above contractual obligations and/ or Wounds Australia, could include:

- Quality of teaching and training provided at the clinical setting;
- Leadership and innovation in teaching i.e. Innovative assessment methods;
- Developing innovative training methods for health promotion and disease prevention;
- Evidence of excellence and innovation in teaching related to providing excellence in wound care and management and preventative wound care measures.

## Nomination Procedure

Nomination submission must include:

- A statement addressing the award criteria (maximum of 250 words for each criterion);
- Up to date Curriculum Vitae including the length of clinical services in wound care, if not, provide a statement of candidate's experience in wound care clinical services and addressing the eligibility criteria above;
- Two letters of recommendation. One from your manager/employer is recommended showing excellent clinical skills as evidenced by feedback from patients and peers.
- Completed candidate's consent form.

Nominations must be received by the National Office on or before 7 August 2020.

Nominations will be reviewed by the Wounds Australia Clinical Excellence Award Review Panel, who are appointed by the Wounds Australia Board.

## Selection and Awarding Procedure

The Wounds Australia Board will appoint a selection committee to review the nominations. Once the review process is completed, the panel will make a recommendation to the Wounds Australia Board.

The successful nominee will be contacted by the CEO of Wounds Australia to confirm that the nominee is attending the conference and the conference dinner.

Should a successful nominee be unable to attend the ceremony in person, there will be an option of a video link-up or pre-recorded message to stream, if technology permits.

The ceremony will include a PowerPoint presentation of no more than 2 slides describing the merits of the successful nominee.

A commemorative certificate and trophy will be presented to the winner of the Clinical Excellence Award.

The winner may choose to use the title "Winner of the Wounds Australia Clinical Excellence Award 2020".

Please click [here](#) to apply for the award. (link to the page on the website)