

**PHYSICIANS' SERVICES INCORPORATED FOUNDATION/
CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL INVESTIGATORS
PRIZES FOR RESEARCH BY RESIDENTS
GUIDELINES**

Eligible Work

Only research projects that have been completed (i.e. problem formulation to data analysis) are eligible. For the purpose of this competition completed research includes case reports and case series, reviews of the literature which are carried out according to scientific principles and completed basic or clinical research. **The nominee must be registered as a resident or fellow funded by the Ministry of Health (i.e. one of the two years of CIP) with the Postgraduate Medical Education Office.**

Application

The application for the competition should consist of the following:

1. A summary written by the resident which must state the objectives and describe in concise fashion the methodology, results and conclusions. This summary should have a minimum of 250 words but not exceed a total of 500 words.
2. A letter from the research supervisor detailing the contributions of the resident throughout the different stages of the project including the formulation of the question, the design of the research, the conduct of the work and the data analysis interpretation and writing up. **The enclosed rating form must be completed.**
3. A letter from the Program Director delineating the status of the resident during the research and the amount of time devoted to it. This letter should specify how much time the resident is expected to devote to research in that program at this stage in their training.
4. Nominations for P.S.I. prizes may be made by each Program Director\Subspecialty Program Director. Each department/division may only nominate **one** individual. Guidelines will be circulated to all Program Director and to all residents. The completed application must be received in the Postgraduate Medical Education Office by **May 31**.

Judgment Criteria

Submissions will be judged on originality, problem formulation, methodology, design and data analysis and application of findings. In the final judgement weight will also be given to: a) work which has been submitted for publication; b) work which has reached the manuscript stage; c) work which has been submitted in abstract and accepted at a National Society. Preference will also be given to junior applicants and to applicants for whom a research experience is not a mandated rotation or component of the year. The Committee to be comprised of the Assistant Dean of Postgraduate Medical Education, the Associate Dean of Research or the Program Director of the Clinician Investigator Program and a resident representative.

The Committee will award five - \$2,000 prizes on behalf of Physicians' Services Incorporated Foundation. The Committee will award the top paper with an additional \$1,000 prize on behalf of the Canadian Society for Clinical Investigators.

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P.S.I. AWARDS
RATING FORM FOR RESEARCH SUPERVISORS

The residents performed this research during which of the following:

- Purely clinical year
- Combined clinical/research year
- Pure research year

In comparison with a representative group of residents at a similar level of training, please rate the applicant's qualities:

	Unable	Top	Top	Top	Top
	to	20%	10%	5%	2%
	Judge				

Background work & understanding

Industry/perseverance

Motivation/initiative

Organization

Intellect

Originality

This submitted proposal has reached the following stage (e.g. submitted manuscript, abstract submitted to/accepted at National meeting).

1. _____
2. _____

Please elaborate on resident's contribution to the research question, design, performance and analysis.
