

**WEST MIDLANDS DIVISION  
REGULATIONS FOR  
RESEARCH PRESENTATION PRIZE**

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The West Midlands Division of the Royal College of Psychiatrists has established a prize for the best presentation of a piece of research relevant to any field in psychiatry by a foundation doctor, trainee psychiatrist or consultant psychiatrist in their first year of employment working within the West Midlands region.

**Prize:** £100 and certificate. All short-listed entrants will receive complimentary admission to the West Midlands Division Spring/Summer Academic Meeting.

**Frequency:** Annually

**Eligible:** Foundation doctors, trainee psychiatrists and consultant psychiatrists in their first year of employment working within the West Midlands are eligible to enter. The Executive Committee reserves the right to restrict the number of entries and to refuse those considered inappropriate.

**Where Presented:** West Midlands Division Spring/Summer Academic Meeting

**Regulations:**

- I. The research should be original and entrants should have made a major contribution to it.
- II. Three short-listed entrants will be expected to present their presentations at the spring academic meeting where a prize will be awarded to the best presentation as decided by a panel of three judges constituted by the West Midlands Executive Committee.
- III. When judging the entries consideration will be given regarding the trainee's direct contribution to the project. It is expected that the trainee has taken lead in designing and conducting the research. This includes leading the study from conceiving the idea, designing the study and playing a substantial role in collecting and analysing the data. The trainees in academic training posts will have dedicated time and training for research, which is not available to other trainees. The judges will be mindful of this when judging the research outputs.
- IV. The decision of the panel of judges will be final.
- V. Abstracts may be published in the West Midlands Academic Meeting Programme Booklet and/or the West Midlands Division e-Newsletter.

**Submissions To:** Entrants will be asked to submit an abstract of approximately 300 words to the divisional office.

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