

Spirituality and Psychiatry Special Interest Group Prize

The Spirituality and Psychiatry Special Interest Group has established a prize to be awarded annually to the best entry or joint best entries on relevant subject matter.

The Special Interest Group recognises the need to understand further the issue of spirituality as it relates to psychiatry and to enhance psychiatric practice and improve the quality of care delivered to patients and carers.

This prize has been established to promote interest, to harness and disseminate reliable information on the subject and to motivate psychiatrists to build up evidence in the area of spirituality as it relates to patients and practice.

Regulations:

- I. All members and affiliates of the Royal College of Psychiatrists will be eligible to enter.
- II. Submissions will comprise an original study, research, review or essay on spirituality and psychiatry.
- III. Entries will be no longer than 5000 words and should be submitted in hard copy and on floppy disc where possible.
- IV. Short listing will be the responsibility of the Executive Committee of the SIG, or a subgroup of examiners appointed by them from within the Executive, which will include senior academics. Authors of all short listed submissions will be notified and the papers will be eligible for publication on the Spirituality Special Interest Group website.
- V. The winning entry/entries will be agreed at the winter meeting of the SIG and notification will be sent shortly after. The winner/s will be invited to present their work at a SIG meeting at the College AGM.

Closing Date: Submissions should be sent to the Honorary Secretary of the Spirituality and Psychiatry Special Interest Group, at the College, by 1st October each year.