



AUSTRALASIAN ORTHODONTIC BOARD

## **Australasian Orthodontic Board Student Awards (updated June 2014)**

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### **1. Description of Awards**

#### **a. 3M Unitek Postgraduate Clinical Research Award**

This is awarded to each school that submits the required - and properly prepared - cases for the AOB Student Awards

**Award value: \$6000 (total).**

**Each school which fulfills presentation criteria will be eligible to receive award.**

**Award kindly sponsored by 3M Unitek.**

#### **b. TP(Aust) Postgraduate Clinical Award**

This is awarded to the two students from each school represented in that years' awards whose cases accumulate i) the highest score and ii) the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest score given by the Assessors. (scores from **all** assessors count).

**Award value: \$5000 (total)**

**The award will be distributed to the winning students at the AOB Executive's discretion.**

**Award kindly sponsored by TP (Aust).**

### **2. Selection Criteria**

- a. Four (4) cases from each participating school shall be presented at each ASO Foundation Meeting and at each ASO Congress.
- b. These four cases will represent the entry from that school for the 3M Unitek Postgraduate Clinical Research Award and for the TP (Aust) Postgraduate Clinical Award.
- c. **(new criteria – 2012) The cases will be selected from any of the 5 AOB nominated cases of each student. (that is, the selected 2 AOB cases plus the 3 reserve cases).**

- d. The school (**responsibility: Head of Department**) will select the four (4) cases from the above pool as its submission for the next AOB Student Awards.
- e. A strict rule of 4 cases per school will be observed. More than 4, or less than 4, will render that school ineligible for that year's AOB Student Awards.
- f. **Notes: revised guidelines (2012) for selection of AOB Awards:**
  - i. AOB cases should test the clinical skills of the student but do not necessarily need to be highly complex or challenging.
  - ii. A component of assessment for the AOB Student Awards will now include adequacy of Self-Evaluation (pre- and post-treatment)
  - iii. It is proposed that September 30<sup>th</sup> during the student's first year will be the cut-off date for AOB case selection. Failure to have registered with the AOB by that time may render that student's cases ineligible for an AOB Student Award.

### **3. Self-Evaluation comments (new criteria 2012):**

- a. **Each case report for AOB Student Awards must be accompanied by a Self-Evaluation submission by the treating student. This submission is to be no longer than one A4 page and should include comments such as relevant features of the case, its treatment and its outcome as deemed appropriate by the student. (Form available on the AOB web site)**
- b. **The Self-Evaluation submission (pre- and post-treatment) will be part of the assessment of all cases for Student Awards .**

### **4. Eligibility**

- a. For a school to be eligible for an AOB Award, all participating students from that school must have achieved AOB First Stage (Grad Entry stream).
- b. A requirement for eligibility for these awards is that AOB First Stage (Grad Entry stream) **MUST** be achieved no later than **30<sup>th</sup> September in the first year** of that student's course.
- c. For a participant to be eligible for an AOB Student Award, he or she must have been an ASO Student Member or an NZAO Student Member during his or her course.

### **5. Submission details**

- a. Each submitted case must be accompanied by relevant AOB documentation including receipted Form 1, Form 2 and Form 3.
- b. To ensure total fairness in the assessment process, all references to the candidate's name, candidate's school, and patient's name should be removed from the award case submissions (except for Forms 1,2,3 which AOB Executive will remove prior to assessment). The cases will then only be identifiable by the allocated AOB number and each case ID.
- c. These cases must be delivered to the meeting and be set up by the commencement of

Registration.

- d. Delivery of these cases to the Meeting and their set up will be the responsibility of the Head of Department of each school.

## 6. Terms and Conditions

- a. The decision of the AOB in granting the Awards will be final.
- b. No appeal by any school or individual will be accepted.
- c. By entering for these Awards, any school or individual accepts these terms and conditions.
- d. The winning of any student award is not to be used in any way relating to practice or personal promotion
- e. Each participating student will sign a Terms and Conditions form

## 7. Arrangements for Awards (for AOB Executive, Convenors and Assessors)

- a. The AOB will appoint persons for the task of assessing cases at a particular meeting at least one month prior to the Meeting. One assessor will have been previously nominated by each State AOB Convenor.
- b. With the policy of peer review in mind, the assessor should be a Certified Member of the AOB and should not be a clinical instructor at an orthodontic school.
- c. Assessment will be non-graded, peer-performed as per AOB guidelines.
- d. **In assessment of cases for Student Awards emphasis will be placed on standard of presentation, quality of finished result and appropriateness of self-evaluation – but not on degree of difficulty of case (see 4a and 4 b above).**
- e. A check sheet will be produced to assist assessors in evaluating cases.
- f. A suitable area will be set aside for the display of all cases
- g. The area will also be available to the assessors for "after hours" assessment. This means the area will require suitable access and security.
- h. Assessors must complete their task as soon as possible – at the latest by the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> day in the case of Congress and by the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> morning in the case of FRE meeting.
- i. This area will be available for the cases to be viewed by all registrants at the Meeting.
- j. AOB Awards will be announced as early as possible during the Meeting and presentation of the Awards will be presented by the AOB Chairman at a suitable time during the Scientific Program.