POLICY

Division		Fellowship Engagement	Ref. No.	POL-3048
Departm	ent:	Professional Standards		
Title:		Road Safety Award		

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

In recognition of the Victorian government's world first legislation in 1970 which mandated the wearing of seat belts resulting in a dramatic reduction of road trauma, the Road Safety Award has been initiated.

The Award recognises and rewards either the Roads Minister of the jurisdiction that has shown both the greatest reduction in road fatality rate per capita over a one year period and significant legislative reform in regards to road safety, or an organisation or individual who has shown excellent initiative and results in road trauma prevention

Leadership in New Zealand and/or an Australian state or territory has flow on affects to other jurisdictions. By awarding a jurisdiction (New Zealand or an Australian state or territory) or an organisation or individual and publicising the award and highlighting reasons for the achievement, it is intended to expedite reform in all jurisdictions.

The Award is to be determined on an annual basis.

2. KEYWORDS

Road trauma, Road Safety, Trauma

3. BODY OF POLICY

The Trauma Committee Chair and Road Trauma Advisory Sub-Committee Chair can utilise reports released by the Department of Infrastructrue and Transport's Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics, which contain statistics comparing road deaths per 100,000 population over five years. A jurisdiction, individual or organisation that has played a significant role in legislative reform or change that has a substantial effect on road safety as a result of this change, may be considered for the award. Input from the state representatives on the Trauma Committee and Regional Trauma Committees will be sought with regard to legislative reform. Independent advice, opinion and feedback will also be sought from road safety bodies such as the Australasian College of Road Safety. An Award can take the form of a College Shield, engraved with the name of the awardee, presented at an appropriate even such as (and not limited to) a regional scientific meeting or Annual Scientific Congress.

The Award is to be publicised via the College Media Office highlighting the reasons for the awardee's achievement.

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

Nil

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