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Title	DR Leslie Prize		

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy details the awarding of the Victorian Regional Committee DR Leslie Prize and commemorates Douglas Robert Leslie AM, ED, MID, MS, FRCS, FRACS, FACS.

2. KEYWORDS

Douglas Robert Leslie, Clinical Registrar Paper, Vic ASM, Victorian Regional Committee

3. BODY OF POLICY

3.1. Background

Douglas Leslie (23 February 1914 – 7 November 1994) served in the Australian Army. He was mentioned in Despatches for his service and later awarded Efficiency Decoration. He was appointed Honorary Surgeon to Her Majesty the Queen in 1967 and made a Member of the Order of Australia in 1974.

Douglas Leslie believed that a job well done merited appropriate recognition and that he had a responsibility to give back to the community as much of his wisdom as possible. He was involved in various committees and boards of hospitals around Melbourne. Mr Leslie held appointments on several RACS Boards including Board of Examiners, Chair Court of Examiners, Member of Council and Chair Division of General Surgery.

The DR Leslie Award was established in 1986 and is in the form of a Medal.

3.2. Criteria

This award is presented for the best clinical paper presented by a Victorian based registered Surgical Trainee or for a Surgical Trainee who presents Victorian based research at the Victorian Annual Surgical Meeting (Vic ASM). The Convener and the Coordinator of the scientific meeting appoint two judges to the panel.

The Judges score the participants under a 9 point set of criteria score sheet:

- Abstract
- Idea, novelty, importance of study
- Is study based within Victorian Health?
- Personal effort
- Background, Introduction and Literature Review
- Study Design and Protocol
- Results and Statistical Analysis

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- Discussion, Conclusions, Question Handling
- Presentation, Timing, Audio visuals

The panel may choose not to award the Prize, if, in their opinion, no presentation is of sufficient standard.

3.3. Medal

The winner of the award is announced at the Vic ASM. The Medal is engraved with the name of the award, recipients name and the date.

3.4. Budget

The Regional Office budgets for the medal.

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

The following documents form part of this policy:

- Judges Score Sheet
- Victorian ASM Prizes and Awards Procedure

Approver: CEO
Authoriser: Council