POLICY   ROYAL AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

Division:	**Fellowship Engagement**	**Ref. No.**	**POL-3078**
Department:	**Queensland Regional Office**		
Title:	**QLD RACS Papers Prize**		

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy details the awarding of the RACS Papers Prize.

2. KEYWORDS

RACS Papers Prize, Award, Abstracts.

3. BODY OF POLICY

3.1. Background

The award was established in 2013 by the Queensland Regional Committee. It was developed to foster a link between the College and Junior Doctors and also the developing Surgical Interest Groups which are present in all Queensland Universities.

The award is for the best paper presented by a Medical Student or Junior Doctor at the Queensland Regional Committee's Annual State Meeting (ASM). The award is in the form of a certificate and a payment for the amount of $1,000.

3.2. Criteria

- Applicants may be a Medical Student attending a University Medical School based in Queensland

- Applicants can also be a Junior Doctor who is an Intern, Junior House Officer or Senior House Officer working in Queensland at the time of application.

3.3. Award details

- Generally four applicants will present at the ASM. Where overall numbers of applicants are greater than this, heats may be held to select the best applications. The final number will be determined by the Convenor of the RACS Papers Prize in consultation with the Convenor of the ASM and if required can be greater than four applicants.

- The monetary award is sourced via external sponsorship.

- The award will be made only if the presented paper is of a standard worthy of the prize.

- Certificates are produced by a local printing supplier with appropriate badging as per College style guide for all applicants.

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

RACS Papers Prize Procedure
Queensland Annual State Meeting Procedure

Approver   Board of Regional Chairs
Authoriser   Council