

FRAN MORRIS AWARD GUIDELINES – STUDENT

This award is named after Fran Morris, in recognition of her contribution to, and promotion of, maternal and child health nursing.

Purpose

For the continued recognition of outstanding contributions to maternal and child health nursing practice by maternal and child health nurses.

To promote maternal and child health nursing practice and encourage student maternal and child health nurses to aspire to a career in maternal and child health nursing practice.

Criteria

An annual prize of \$250 is awarded to the student nurse who has clearly demonstrated an interest in the promotion of the professional, educational, economic or social interests of maternal and child health nurses.

Eligibility

Nominations will be accepted for students undertaking a course that will lead to practice as a maternal and child health nurse in Victoria and should be accompanied by a recommendation from one of their course lecturers at the tertiary institution.

The nominee must be a current financial member of the Victorian Association of Maternal and Child Health Nurses.

Conditions of the Award

Nominations must be made on the Victorian Association of Maternal and Child Health Nurses 'Fran Morris Award Nomination Form' and be received by the designated closing date. Late nominations will not be considered.

Award nominees are **required** to submit a 3,000 word essay. Submissions will not be returned, please keep a copy.

Submissions are required for publication in the VAMCHN Newsletter or on the website.

Selection Criteria

Assessment and selection of the winner/s will be made by the Executive Committee based on how well the submission meets the criteria above.

The decision of VAMCHN Executive Committee will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS: 30 April 2012

The winner/s of the award will be announced at the AGM in June.

If VAMCHN Executive Committee believes there are no suitable nominees, the prize will be held over until the following year.