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 and/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.

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

CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS: 16th June 2018

The winner/s of the award will be announced at the AGM on Thursday 21st June 2018.

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