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## **NOMINATIONS FOR PRIZES:**

### **JOHN DEWAN PRIZE PAUL CHRISTIE MEMORIAL PRIZE**

The Foundation invites nominations for prizes available to researchers in the sciences bearing on mental health:

#### **1. John Dewan Prize**

The John Dewan Prize was established in honour of Dr. John Dewan who held the position of executive consultant to the Foundation from 1964 to 1974. The prize is intended to recognize an outstanding researcher whose work has been, or is presently, supported by the Foundation. The decision of the Foundation shall be based upon an assessment of the originality and uniqueness of either laboratory or clinical research and the contribution to significant new knowledge or concepts bearing upon mental health. The prize consists of a cheque for \$2,500 together with a suitably inscribed scroll.

##### **Method of nomination**

Nominations for the prize shall be accompanied by 1) a two-page summary highlighting the candidate's work; 2) an updated curriculum vitae; 3) selected reprints of published work, or preprints, which describe the candidate's activities and scientific achievement.

#### **2. Paul Christie Memorial Prize**

The Paul Christie Memorial Prize was established in memory of Dr. Paul Christie to give recognition to a young researcher who holds, or has held, a Fellowship or Research Studentship from the Ontario Mental Health Foundation. To be eligible a candidate must have held a Fellowship for at least two years or a Studentship for three years. The Paul Christie Prize shall consist of a cheque for \$1,000 together with a suitably inscribed scroll.

##### **Method of nomination**

In proposing a recipient the nominator shall provide a statement justifying the choice and citing evidence of the candidate's scientific ability, personality, and promise. The candidate shall provide the nominator with a summary of about 500 words outlining the work carried out, the results obtained and future plans for a research career. In addition to the candidate's report, the nomination should be accompanied by an updated curriculum vitae, and a maximum of three reprints (or preprints) which illustrate the candidate's work in the field of mental health.

The Foundation requires **six collated sets** of the application and **sixteen copies of the C.V.** for distribution to members of the review committee. Applications must be sent directly to the Grants Officer at the above address, on or before **Friday, October 30, 2009**. The Fellowships Committee will review nominations for the prizes and make recommendations to the Foundation.

# **GUIDELINES FOR JUDGING THE JOHN DEWAN PRIZE and the PAUL CHRISTIE MEMORIAL PRIZE**

1. The Committee of judges shall consist of the Fellowships Committee and the Executive Director. Nominations for the Dewan and Christie Prizes will be dealt with in much the same way as individual award applications and rated according to a rating scale developed for each prize.
2. All material submitted on behalf of a candidate (e.g., supervisor's statement, candidate's report, reprints, etc.) will be reviewed by two members of the committee who will be responsible for giving a report to the committee. External appraisals will be used if the Fellowships Committee decides they are needed.
3. Factors to be taken into account are shown on the rating scale.
4. The procedure is as follows:
  - i) If the committee does not feel that at least one candidate is worthy of the award then no award is made;
  - ii) If more than one candidate is found worthy, all the members of the committee who are not from the same university or institution or who may for other reasons be considered to have no conflict of interest shall rate the candidate;
  - iii) The ratings will be announced by each member and recorded on a rating sheet. The scores will be tallied by staff and the candidate having the highest rating shall be recommended for the prize.

## **Eligibility requirements:**

John Dewan Prize The work of the candidate is presently, or has been, supported by the Foundation.

### Paul Christie Prize

- The candidate
- a) holds, or has held, a Research Fellowship (for at least two years)
  - b) holds, or has held, a Research Studentship (for at least three years)
  - c) is nominated by his/her supervisor

## **General considerations:**

### John Dewan Prize

The work of the candidate must be laboratory or clinical research exhibiting originality and uniqueness of approach leading to new and significant knowledge or concepts to do with mental health.

### Paul Christie Prize

This is a junior award and, as such, takes into consideration performance, present orientation and future promise.

## RATING SCALES

### John Dewan Prize

**Circle one:**

- 7** A candidate who meets all the expectation of the general considerations, so far as quality goes, and has produced a quantity of such work
- 6**
- 5**
- 4**
- 3**
- 2**
- 1** A candidate who sometimes meets the general considerations but whose work is inconsistent or slight
- 0** Work which fails to meet the general considerations and therefore does not merit an award

### Paul Christie Prize

**Circle one:**

- 7** An outstanding candidate whose best work matches that of an established investigator in making an original contribution to knowledge
- 6**
- 5**
- 4**
- 3**
- 2**
- 1** A strong candidate whose work indicates investigative ability and a stirring of independent power
- 0** A marginal candidate whose work although sound does not merit a prize for want of evidence of originality and method