The Cochrane Prize Regulations

Purpose

The prize is awarded each year to an undergraduate student to support an educational activity in the field of public health. Candidates must be bona fide students at a school of higher education in the United Kingdom at the time of application.

Value

The value of the prize will be determined by the Board of the Faculty depending on the funds available and the merits of the application but will not normally exceed £250 to any one individual or for any one project.

Funding

Applications are invited to provide funds in support of a relevant educational activity, including for example:

- overseas travel to undertake a public health elective
- expenses of a public health research project
- a scholarship for a student undertaking an intercalated BSc (or similar) degree course in public health science
- other innovative and imaginative educational projects in public health or related sciences

Application

The application must provide clear statements of:

- the aim(s) and/or expected benefits of the project for which support is requested
- the methods by which these will be achieved
- the precise intended use of the funds

The application statement should not identify the candidate by name or by medical school. The applicant’s full name and address should be supplied on a separate sheet of paper (to maintain anonymity).

It should be accompanied by:

- a brief curriculum vitae of the candidate
- a statement of support from the relevant Head of Academic Department of Public Health
• a statement on whether or not funds for the same project have been sought from other sources

Assessment

Applications will be assessed by adjudicators appointed by the Faculty’s Education Committee who will recommend awards to the Board. Entries will be assessed on the following criteria:

• relevance to public health
• originality of proposed work
• scientific quality
• evidence of commitment
• effective use of funds

Recipients of awards will be expected to submit a report to the Faculty within two months of completing their project and will be encouraged to offer suitable reports for publication in the ‘Journal of Public Health’ or other suitable journals. Reports should not normally exceed 2,500 words.

Applications should be submitted to educ@fph.org.uk.

For further information please contact the Education Team via email at educ@fph.org.uk, or by phone 0203 696 1451.

Closing date

Please see here for closing date for entries.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT APPLICATIONS COMPLY WITH ALL THE REGULATIONS FOR THE PRIZE.

Footnote: this prize is open to all universities and medical schools