



COPORATE POLICY

AWARDS POLICY

The Executive Board of ISQua will make awards from time to time in recognition of individuals or organisations who have made contributions to ISQua and/or to the field of quality and safety in health care. A regular review of this Awards policy is to be carried to ensure the awards are relevant and appropriate

The ISQua Awards are:

Life Membership of ISQua

This Award recognises eminent achievement and merit of the highest degree of individuals in service to ISQua and through that service to the furtherance of quality and safety in health care at large or such achievement and merit directly to the field of quality improvement.

The Award will take the form of a citation and a testamur.

Distinguished Service Award

This Award recognises conspicuous contributions to the purposes of ISQua or the facilitation of those purposes in any particular activity of ISQua.

The Award will take the form of a citation and a testamur.

Presidential Citation

This Award recognises singularly valuable and dedicated contributions to ISQua.

The Award will take the form of a certificate.

Reizenstein Prize

The Reizenstein Prize is awarded each year to the author(s) of the best paper published in the previous year in the IJQHC.

The award will take the form of a £500 payment and a Certificate.

Annual Conference Poster Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the Annual Conference in each year for the best three posters and best three first time presenting posters.

The prizes will take the form of free registration, 50% reduction in registration fee, 25% reduction in registration fee at next Annual Conference for best, next best and third best poster respectively in each category.

Nomination for the Awards

Nominations must be made by:

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Not fewer than two members of the Executive Board.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD and PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

Not fewer than two members of the Executive Board.

OR

Not fewer than six Institutional Members of ISQua.

OR

Not fewer than twelve Individual Members of ISQua

Nominations must identify the award sought; contain the name, qualifications, positions held currently and within the ten years preceding the nomination of the nominee; a detailed statement of not fewer than 250 words directly addressing the criteria for the award sought; and the names and positions held of the nominators in the case of Individual Member nominators or the names of the Institutional Members in the case of Institutional Member nominators.

Nominations must be lodged with the CEO in an envelope marked.

“IN CONFIDENCE – Award Nomination”.

Or

By email to the CEO marked in the subject field “IN CONFIDENCE – Award Nomination”

REIZENSTEIN PRIZE

See Appendix A (attached)

Selection

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

An award will be made by a two thirds vote in favour of the award by a vote of all Executive Board Members either voting at a meeting of the Executive Board or voting by email in an email vote initiated by the CEO.

REIZENSTEIN PRIZE

See Appendix A (attached)

Annual Conference Poster Prizes

Poster Prize winners will be selected by a panel of judges which is chaired by a member of the Conference Programme and Planning Committee.

Presentation

Awards will normally be presented during the ISQua Annual Conference.

Reizenstein Award Voting Process

February 2012

1st Stage

Each member of the editorial committee nominates top 3 papers from among all the research articles published during the year, excluding methodology papers, reviews, editorials, perspective in quality, letters, and quality-in-practice papers.

- The selection criteria are:
- Importance of the paper to the field of health care quality
- Originality
- Methodological rigor
- Appropriateness of conclusions
- Clarity of writing

2nd Stage

Nominations are tallied and the nominated papers are ranked in descending order of the number of nominations each received. The top 6 papers move to the 3rd Stage.

3rd Stage

The Editorial Committee and deputy editors vote on the 6 papers by secret ballot. A paper must receive at least 3 votes to win the prize, if none of the 6 papers achieves the minimum of 3 votes, then the vote tallies are shared with the group after papers that received no votes are removed. A second round of voting occurs. In the unlikely event that no paper receives 3 votes on the second round, then the committee holds a teleconference to discuss the papers prior to a 3rd round of voting.