

BHUTAN HEALTH JOURNAL AWARDS 2019

1. Definitions

Awards	BHJ Awards 2019, Bhutan.
Applicant	Any individual that sends in an application to participate in the Awards
Editorial Committee	Bhutan Health Journal is a responsible for the conduct of the “Awards”

2. Objective of the Awards

This event is instituted primarily with the aim of identifying and encouraging all those health professionals whose work have a great potential or have contributed immensely in advancement of Bhutanese health systems through Research, utilization of innovative ideas in delivery of health care services and quality Medical Education. It is anticipated that the winners will demonstrate potential to influence change and improve healthcare systems in Bhutan.

3. Award categories

For the year 2019 awards the categories will be (with provision to add more categories in the subsequent years).

a. ***Research publication of the year:***

This award recognizes research publication that has the potential to contribute significantly to improving health of the Bhutanese population.

b. **PG thesis of the year**

This award recognizes the thesis work of Postgraduate Courses that are offered in Bhutan. This is primarily aimed at encouraging the young health professionals to take up research in the future.

c. **Young researcher of the year:**

This award recognizes the young researcher (under 35 year) for his or her contribution to research in Bhutan. This is primarily aimed at encouraging the young health professionals to take up research in the future.

4. CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

- The call for application for the awards will be announced on the BHJ, KGUMSB, JDWNRH, MoH and all constituent faculties' websites.

- Applicants can apply in more than one award categories.
- If separate application forms are received for the category from different individuals/organizations, such entries will be treated as one entry.
- The organizers have the right to reject any application in any category if false/misleading information is found to have been submitted in the application process.
- The organizers has the right to reorganize/reclassify application forms from one category to another, at its discretion.

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

5.1 GENERAL CRITERIA

- The awards are open to any Bhutanese.
- Any Health Professionals can apply for the awards, provided they fulfill the requirements set out in the Rules & Regulations.
- The teams can participate in the awards.
- A project/work should have been active during last 3 years and should have been based within Bhutan and should be related to Bhutanese Health systems.
- The Organizers may modify the eligibility criteria from time to time to suit the needs and keeping in mind the best interest of the awards.
- The Organizers holds the right to disqualify any application which does not meet the eligibility criteria.

AWARDS:

1. Certificate and Cash prize

5.2 SPECIFIC CRITERIA:

A. Best Postgraduate thesis of the year (For KGUMSB only): (Max. of 300 words for each question)

1. Please tell us why you chose this research problem. How is it relevant to Bhutan?
2. Kindly share with us the challenges and successes you faced in pursuing this research problem and how you overcame those.
3. What do you plan to do next with the outcomes of the research?
4. Please share with us your strategy to improve awareness of your work.
5. How do you think your research and publication is going to impact clinical care?
6. Please summarize your work (i.e. write an executive summary/abstract) focusing on what, why, how and what next.

B. Research publication of the Year (Max. of 300 words for each question)

1. Please tell us why you chose this research problem. How is it relevant to Bhutan?
2. Kindly share with us the challenges and successes you faced in pursuing this research problem and how you overcame those?
3. What do you plan to do next with the outcomes of the research?
4. Please share with us your strategy to improve awareness of your work.
5. How do you think your research and publication is going to impact clinical care?
6. Please summarize your work (i.e. write an executive summary/abstract) focusing on what, why, how and what next.

C. Young researcher of the year: (Max. of 300 words for each question)

*** Age = less than 35 years as of 3rd Sept 2019

1. Please tell us why you choose to take up research.
2. Kindly share with us the challenges and successes you faced in pursuing research and how you overcame those?
3. What do you plan to do next with the outcomes of the research?
4. Please share with us your strategy to improve awareness of your work.
5. How do you think your research has made impact country's health system?
6. Please summarize your work (i.e. write an executive summary/abstract) focusing on what, why, how and what next.

6. RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS

Application will be opened from 3rd September 2019 for the interested applicants. Participation in the **Awards** in any manner will be construed as an acceptance to the Rules and Regulations stated herein. Applicant can apply for the **Awards** by submitting the completed application form in the following manner:

Fill the application form and send via mail:

Step 1: In the application form, fill in the following details;

PERSONAL DETAILS

- Title
- First name
- Last name
- Email and Mobile number
- Institution/ affiliation
- Additional team members, if any.
- Curriculum Vitae

Step 2: PROJECT DETAILS

- Project title
- Executive Summary of the work/project/initiative for the category. In not more than 300 words (please provide following information) ;
 - About yourself (and your team)
 - About your work and why it is novel
 - How is your work relevant to Bhutanese context
 - Some key challenges that you faced and how you overcame those
 - How will winning the BHJ 2019 award impact your work
 - Your future plans

7. CONFIRMATION

The applicant(s) will receive an email confirming their submission, if the documents are complete as per the criteria set here.

The application process will close on 6th October, 2019. The organizers shall not be held liable for application forms which are in incorrect format or without declaration or received late.

8. SCREENING OF APPLICATIONS

Internal Editorial committee will screen applications by ensuring adherence to the eligibility criteria and rule and regulations:

- Entry forms must be filled in English only
- Applications that are received incomplete shall be disqualified by the organizers
- If at any time, any information provided by any application is found to be false or misleading, then the applicant will not be permitted to continue participation in the Awards.
- The organizers have the right to ask for proof of information provided or audit the information provided in the application form. If such a request is made and the applicants does not comply, the applicant could be disqualified.

9. SHORT-LISTING IN EACH AWARD CATEGORY

- Applications received would be categorized under each award category for evaluation by the Editorial Committee, BHJ.
- Determination of the Award category to which an application belongs is at the discretion of organizers. The organizers reserves the right to make the final judgment in case of any ambiguity in Rules and Regulations / disputes over suitability.
- There will be a selection of few applicants as per the Award category based on predefined evaluation parameters

10. VERIFICATION OF THE INFORMATION

- The Organizers will contact the applicants, for any clarifications needed regarding the information provided in the application form and to conduct a verification of information submitted.
- The Organizers will make the best efforts possible to contact the applicants, but shall not be responsible if the person does not participate in or does not agree to the conduct of the verification, or are not contactable.
- In the event that it is not possible to conduct a verification of the applicants for any reason beyond its control, organizers may, at its discretion, disqualify the applicant or continue in such other manner as deemed fit.

11. SELECTION OF WINNERS:

- The Editorial Committee shall carry out the selection of winners.
- The Editorial Committee shall meet on 15th October 2019.
- The selection of winner rests with the Editorial Committee.
- The Editorial Committee's decision is final and binding.
- There could be one or more winners in each award category, at the discretion of the Editorial Committee.
- The Jury Panel may also decide, in order to adhere to the standards of the awards, that there could be no winner in a particular category.

2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- Applicant understand and agree that merely by applying for these Awards does not entitle the applicant to any other form of consideration.
- Applicant & winners shall permit BHJ to use the information provided by them in the application form(s) for promotional features about the Awards in future.
- Additions, deletions and / or modifications to these Rules and Regulations are at the discretion of the Jury Panel and the Internal Editorial Committee may make such additions / deletions / or modifications, at any time.

3. APPLICATION PROCESS

The applicants can apply to the categories by visiting the BHJ website and download the "*application form*"

The awards short listing process will be conducted in two phases. Please follow the process outlined here.

The application will commence on 3rd Sept, 2019, the eligible participants can forward their applications to *bhjawards@gmail.com*

The application process will close at midnight, 6th October, 2019. The Editorial office of Bhutan Health Journal will screen the documents and shortlist the applicants.

Editorial Committee shall evaluate the applications on October 15, 2019. A Prize and certificate of commendation will be awarded to the winner(s) on October 25, 2019 during the inaugural ceremony of 5th ICMH 2019.

Correspondence:

- For further information please write to bhjawards@gmail.com/karmatenzin@kgumsb.edu.bt
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Important Milestones for BHJ awards

Application Open	3 rd Sept -19	Tuesday
Application close	6 th Oct -19	Sunday
Selection by committee	15 th Oct -19	Tuesday
Award ceremony	25- Oct-19	Friday