

# 2019 RACGP AWARDS

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Islander Health Award

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## What is the Standing Strong Together Award?

The Standing Strong Together Award is presented by the RACGP Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health to any Fellow/s or member/s of the RACGP who have worked together with any Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person or community group to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

## Who can nominate?

Any Fellow or member of the RACGP or group of GPs (one of whom will need to be a Fellow or member of the RACGP) who has worked in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Any Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person or community group who has worked with a GP/s (the GP needs to be a Fellow or member of the RACGP) to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

It is important the nomination involves a partnership between GP/s and an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person or community group.

These partnerships could include:

- providing quality health care, access to health care, and/or continuity of care to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people
- running an event or program that encourages better health outcomes
- educating others to enable them to provide high quality, culturally appropriate healthcare
- introducing changes to healthcare services that result in better health outcomes
- conducting research into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health for the purpose of improving health outcomes.

For example, previous winners are noted below.

Dr Kishan Pandithage was awarded the Standing Strong Together Award in 2018 for working in partnership with Indigenous registrars, Fellows and organisations such as the Indigenous General Practice Registrar Network (IGPRN) to help grow the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander GP workforce.

Dr Kishan Pandithage is a GP, medical educator and general practice supervisor who has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to supporting Indigenous doctors as they work towards Fellowship.

**The Aboriginal Medical Service Western Sydney – Chronic Care Team** has worked together for over 20 years to support Aboriginal patients with chronic diseases; overseeing Aboriginal health checks; conducting research, preventative health activities and group programs; delivering education programs; and providing cultural mentorship to staff at the Aboriginal Medical Service.

### Can I nominate myself/my organisation?

Yes, but you will need two independent referees to support your nomination.

## How do I go about nominating myself/someone for the award?

1. Read this information sheet
2. Fill in the nomination form

### OR

Fill in page 2 of nomination form including two referees and answer questions on pages 3–5 using other methods such as: videos or voice recordings (time limits apply).

3. Include two referees for the nomination
4. Attach any supporting documents
5. Send in your nomination as per the detail on page 6 of this form

After your nomination has been submitted:

- the Awards Committee will create a shortlist from the nominations
- the faculty may be in touch with the referees of the short listed nominees to find out more information to help them with their decision.

## What if I have trouble filling in my nomination form or have other questions about the award?

Please contact RACGP Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health on **1800 000 251** or on [aboriginalhealth@racgp.org.au](mailto:aboriginalhealth@racgp.org.au)

## What do Standing Strong Together Award winners receive?

Winners of the award receive a commemorative trophy which will be presented at GP19 in October 2019. The RACGP will cover the cost of the winners' (two representatives) return economy class airfare and accommodation to attend the RACGP Academic Session, Fellowship and Awards Ceremony at GP19 to receive their award.

## What is supporting evidence?

Supporting evidence is additional information that tells more about the story of the partnership/project. Examples include written documents such as testimonials, tables, graphs, evaluation reports, as well as photographs, paintings, poems, videos, sculptures, songs or animation.

Please send supporting evidence in a digital form if possible, for example, please send us a good quality, digital photography of your painting rather than the painting itself.

Nomination form

Referee

I,

Of

phone

Referee 2

I,

Of

phone

Nominate/support the nomination of:

Nominee's name

RACGP no.

Street address

Suburb

State

Postcode

Country

Telephone

Fax number

Mobile number

Email

Who has worked with:

Name of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person or community group

Street address

Suburb

State

Postcode

Country

Telephone

Fax number

Mobile number

Email

Please write responses to the following questions or answer them using other methods such as: videos or voice recordings (time limits apply)

To improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people in the following way.

Briefly describe the work of the nominees (maximum 150 words or 2 minutes)

Describe how the partnership between the GP and the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person or community group contributed to the partnership's success (maximum 200 words or 3 minutes)

**Describe the positive health outcomes the partnership has achieved.** (maximum 500 words or 4 minutes)

Please attach to your nomination any supporting evidence you wish, such as testimonials, tables, graphs, photographs, paintings, poems, video or evaluations. (Supporting evidence will not be counted in the 500 words)

List the three most important lessons that you have learnt from this partnership or project. (maximum 200 words or 3 minutes)

Where do you see this partnership or project being in a year from now? (maximum 200 words or 3 minutes)

If your nomination is successful, are you willing to participate in promotional/media opportunities?

Yes

No

Please return the completed nomination form and supporting documentation via one of the following two methods by Friday 17 June 2019, 5.00 pm AEST:

- Via email to [aboriginalhealth@racgp.org.au](mailto:aboriginalhealth@racgp.org.au) or
- Via post\* to:  
The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners  
National Faculty of Aboriginal and Torres Strait  
Islander Health  
RACGP House, 100 Wellington Parade  
East Melbourne Victoria 3002

\*Entries must be postmarked on or before 17 June 2019.

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