



Introduction

1. The **RADPHARM Technologist Case Presentation Award**, hereafter termed the **Award**, will be held in conjunction with the Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) of the Australian and New Zealand Society of Nuclear Medicine (ANZSNM), hereafter termed the Society. Upon entering the award, participants agree to present at the following ASM.
2. Entrants to the Award will be registered Nuclear Medicine Technologists employed within the field of Nuclear Medicine, or in their final year of study of their Nuclear Medicine program at the time of Part 1 of the Award. Such entrants will be members of the Society at the time of presentation at the State, NZ or Rural RADPHARM Award session. Presentations for the award for both Part 1 and Part 2 can only be made by one individual Technologist and this must be the same person for both presentations. The case submitted cannot be entered into multiple award categories.
3. The Award will be made for an **Oral Case Presentation** (one (1) patient) performed within the Nuclear Medicine workplace.
4. The Award comprises two (2) parts. An initial **Sponsorship** (Part 1) will be made to the winning entrant in their local branch of the ANZSNM. The **Award** (Part 2) will be made at the Technologist Session of the ASM.
5. Previous branch winners may submit and present further case studies, however, they will be ineligible to become the Branch Winning Entrant for a period of two years.
6. Entrants to Part 1 and Part 2 of the Award must present their case study between September and December in the year prior to the ASM. The case should remain unchanged in the intervening period with no new information included regarding the patient case.

Entries for the Award

7. Part 1: Sponsorship

7.1 Entrants for the Award are to present an oral case study at their local branch meeting or at a pre-arranged rural meeting site (as per Appendix A). The local branch or approved rural site shall be the region in which:

- a. The entrant is employed in the field of Nuclear Medicine and,
- b. Where the case study was obtained. The case study must have been obtained by the entrant through their work and/or study.
- c. Students who obtain a case study during interstate placements may choose which branch they wish to present.

* Where multiple Rural entrants are located at different regions/sites, the Part A presentations will be given via Zoom, with external judges selected by the TSIG.



7.2 The local ANZSNM branches in Australia and New Zealand shall be deemed one of the following:

- a. NSW (including ACT)
- b. QLD
- c. SA (including NT)
- d. VIC (including Tas)
- e. WA
- f. NZ

7.3 The Rural entrant must be employed in a department in a rural or remote area as classified by the Modified Monash Category which determines if a location is classified as a city, rural, remote or very remote (see Appendix A). Those Departments located in regions MM2 to MM7 will be considered eligible.

7.4 Entrants to the Award are to present a signed RADPHARM Award Entrant Form (Appendix B), countersigned by the Department Head indicating the extent of assistance received during the course of the case study work to the ANZSNM branch representative prior to their presentation. In the case of an audio-visual presentation this statement should also confirm that the presentation was performed in accordance with the Rules and that the recording has not been edited. The case presentation must be presented by one (1) individual Technologist.

7.5 The local ANZSNM Branch Representative must submit the signed RADPHARM Award Entrant Form for the winning case presentation to the ANZSNM Secretariat within one (1) month of the Part 1 presentation.

7.6 Entrants to the Award (Part 1 and 2), are to present their case study in a maximum of ten (10) minutes. The total presentation time will be divided as:

- a. oral case presentation – seven (7) minutes maximum (presentation will no longer be marked after seven (7) minutes)
- b. question time – three (3) minutes maximum

7.7 The Local ANZSNM Branch Representative will organise a venue and time for the case presentations by entrants for the Award, between September and December in the year prior to the ASM, each year.



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7.8 The Part 1 sponsorships will be judged by a panel of three (3) Nuclear Medicine Technologist members, nominated by the Local ANZSNM Branch committee or TSIG. The judging panel must not be drawn from the same department/workplace/university as an entrant. Any conflicts of interest must be documented on the presentation score sheet (See Appendix C). Judges for the Part 1 sponsorships shall determine the winning case presentation.

7.9 If there is only one case presentation within a State/NZ/Rural, the case study must be presented. The panel of judges must judge whether the presentation is of a suitable standard and hence eligible for the Sponsorship. If judged to be unsuitable, there will be no winner from that State/NZ/Rural.

7.10 The winning entrant for each local branch or rural entrant awarded the sponsorship shall be termed a National Finalist. The National Finalist will be sponsored by RADPHARM/GMS for full registration to attend the ASM, to present their winning case study in the Technologist Session of the ASM. Winners of Part 1 Sponsorship are the only entrant for that local branch to Part 2 of the Award.

7.11 In the event of no entrants being judged suitable, requests by entrants for feedback must be directed to the local State Branch Secretary. A response will be given in writing after review by the State Branch committee and, if needed, by the TSIG.

8. Part 2: The Award

8.1 National finalists must submit an abstract of their winning case presentation for the Technologist Session of the ASM as with any proffered paper. Submission of the abstract must be in accordance with the requirements of the ASM. Those not in accordance with the ASM abstract requirements will be given feedback and five (5) days to resubmit.

8.2 The audience will be informed that the presentation is an entry for the **RADPHARM Technologist Case Presentation Award**.

8.3 The Award shall be judged by a panel of three (3) Nuclear Medicine Technologist members. The panel will be nominated from the TSIG. The panel must be full financial members of the Society. Where possible, the judging panel should not be drawn from the same workplace/department/university as any entry to the award with any conflicts of interest to be disclosed on the presentation score sheet (See Appendix C).

9. The **Sponsorship** and the **Award** will be decided on the following criteria with values specified (See Appendix C for further detail).

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| a. Presentation | (30%) |
| b. Contribution/Impact of Nuclear Medicine to patient management | (55%) |
| c. Questions | (15%) |



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10. The **RADPHARM Technologist Case Presentation Award** will be presented at the ASM Gala dinner.
11. The overall **RADPHARM** winner will receive \$1000 to a CPD event of their choice (to be used within two years of the Award), summary of the case study published in the Gamma Gazette, recorded presentation published on the society website (if available) and plaque awarded at the gala dinner.
12. The recipient of the Award should provide to the Secretariat, an appropriate summary of the case study presentation for publication in the Gamma Gazette following the ASM.

APPENDIX A: Rural Entrant Classification

The Modified Monash Model (MMM) classification was developed to define whether a location is a city, rural, remote or very remote.

The model measures remoteness and population size on a scale of Modified Monash (MM) category MM 1 to MM 7. MM 1 is a major city and MM 7 is very remote.

MMM classifications are based on the [Australian Statistical Geography Standard – Remoteness Areas](#) (ASGS-RA) framework. Analysts review and update the MMM after each Census.

The [Australian Bureau of Statistics](#) (ABS) conducts the national Census every 5 years.

Modified Monash Category (MMM 2019)	Description (including the Australian Statistical Geography Standard – Remoteness Area (2016))
MM 1	Metropolitan areas: Major cities accounting for 70% of Australia’s population All areas categorised ASGS-RA1.
MM 2	Regional centres: Inner (ASGS-RA 2) and Outer Regional (ASGS-RA 3) areas that are in, or within a 20km drive of a town with over 50,000 residents. For example: Ballarat, Mackay, Toowoomba, Kiama, Albury, Bunbury.
MM 3	Large rural towns: Inner (ASGS-RA 2) and Outer Regional (ASGS-RA 3) areas that are not MM 2 and are in, or within a 15km drive of a town between 15,000 to 50,000 residents. For example: Dubbo, Lismore, Yeppoon, Busselton.
MM 4	Medium rural towns: Inner (ASGS-RA 2) and Outer Regional (ASGS-RA 3) areas that are not MM 2 or MM 3, and are in, or within a 10km drive of a town with between 5,000 to 15,000 residents. For example: Port Augusta, Charters Towers, Moree.
MM 5	Small rural towns: All remaining Inner (ASGS-RA 2) and Outer Regional (ASGS-RA 3) areas. For example: Mount Buller, Moruya, Renmark, Condamine.
MM 6	Remote communities: Remote mainland areas (ASGS-RA 4) AND remote islands less than 5kms offshore. For example: Cape Tribulation, Lightning Ridge, Alice Springs, Mallacoota, Port Hedland. Additionally, islands that have an MM 5 classification with a population of less than 1,000 without bridges to the mainland will now be classified as MM 6 for example: Bruny Island.
MM 7	Very remote communities: Very remote areas (ASGS-RA 5). For example: Longreach, Coober Pedy, Thursday Island and all other remote island areas more than 5kms offshore.

The RADPHARM award eligibility criteria refers only to the rural and remote classification zones with MM2-MM7 eligible for rural entrant classification.

Reference:

<https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/rural-health-workforce/classifications/mmm>



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APPENDIX B: ANZSNM RADPHARM Entrant Application Form

Name	
Contact	Email:
	Mobile:
Institution	
Additional Authors	

ABSTRACT TITLE:

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STATE/CATEGORY: Please circle

NSW/ACT	VIC/TAS	SA/NT	QLD
WA	NZ	RURAL*	

I state that this case study entry for the RADPHARM Award has been prepared with the assistance of the above listed authors and the approval of the Department Head**.

Entrant Name: _____ Signature: _____

Department Head Name: _____ Signature: _____

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** The Rural entrant must be employed in a department in an MM2-7 classified rural or remote area (see Appendix A of RADPHARM Rules)



APPENDIX C: ANZSNM RADPHARM Presentation Score Sheet

Entrant Name:	Date:
Panel Member: _____	
Disclosures/Conflicts: _____	
1. Presentation	30
a. Quality of slides	5
b. Continuity and clarity of talk and communication skills	10
c. Originality and interest	5
d. Keeping within time	5
e. Referencing	5
2. Content and Contribution/Impact of Nuclear Medicine to patient management	55
a. Content of Nuclear Medicine Technology	10
b. Description and interpretation of scan appearance or therapeutic affect	10
c. Is it likely to encourage more work or define a role of Nuclear Medicine?	10
d. Have new or improved techniques been introduced?	10
e. To what extent did Nuclear Medicine play a role in the diagnosis and treatment or general management of the patient?	15
3. Questions	15
a. Handling of questions and demonstrated understanding of procedure, pathology and techniques	15
Total Score	/100