

Dr. RS Bhatti Award

Dr. RS Bhatti award has been instituted in the memory of Dr RS Bhatti, Former Professor & Head, Department of Psychiatric Social Work and Consultant, Family Psychiatry Centre, NIMHANS, Bangalore.

The award rules are as follows:

The Award would be given to the best paper among those submitted for consideration of this award, in the field of **Family Mental Health**.

In order to compete for this award:

1. The first author (who will be the presenting and corresponding author) must submit the full manuscript of the paper and he/she shall be a life member of Association of Psychiatric Social Work Professionals (APSWP).
2. The first author should present the paper in the National Conference of APSWP.
3. Submission must be original qualitative or quantitative research studies. Metanalysis, systematic reviews and case studies/case series will be accepted. Submitted paper should be made as per "instructions for manuscript preparation"
4. A panel of judges (minimum three members from the field of Psychiatric Social Work) constituted by the organising committee of the conference shall examine and take decisions on the paper.
5. Paper submitted for consideration of Award must not have been presented, published, accepted for publication or submitted for consideration elsewhere.
6. Only one submission is allowed from a member as first author for this award.
7. Soft copies of the full written version of the paper must be submitted to the Organising Secretary (or any other person notified on the website of APSWP/ Organising Institute or in Conference Brochure) on or before the stipulated date decided by the Executive Council (and as displayed on the website of the APSWP / conference website).
8. The manuscript submitted will be judged on the basis of written manuscript and paper presentation; the weightage will be 75: 25 respectively.
9. Members of the judging panel shall not be contestant for this Award nor should be a co-author in the award paper submitted. Judging members are allowed to contest for any Awards in other categories.
10. A cash award of Rs. 5000/- and a certificate will be given as prize. All authors will be issued certificates.
11. The award winning paper shall be published in reputed journals by the authors with due acknowledgement of the award status.
12. The announcement of all the Award will be made in the valedictory function.
13. The decision of the Judges / Executive Council shall be final and binding on all the matters related to AWARDS.

Instructions for manuscript preparation

Systematic Review & Meta-analysis – follow PRISMA guidelines

Case Studies / Case Series

- Case Presentation
- Management & Outcome
- Discussion
- Reference (Vancouver Style)

Original Research (Quantitative)

- Title of the paper
- Abstract
- Background
- Methodology
- Results, Discussion, Conclusion
- Reference (Vancouver Style)

Original Research (Qualitative)

- Title
- Abstract
- Problem formulation and research question
- Research design and methods of data collection and analysis
- Results, interpretation, discussion, and integration
- Reference (Vancouver Style)