

Research Action Awards

Instructions for completion of the Verification Form

You have been nominated as a research user for a Research Action Award application. Thank you for your time. Please submit the completed Verification Form to the Sax Institute by email to communications@saxinstitute.org.au before **5pm 10 September 2018**.

About the Sax Institute

The Sax Institute aims to improve health and wellbeing by driving the use of research in policies, programs and services. We work with our members, drawn from public health and health services research groups and their universities, to achieve this aim.

About the Research Action Awards

The Sax Institute Research Action Awards recognise individuals whose research has significantly impacted on policy, programs or service delivery. Up to three Awards will be granted, each carrying a \$5000 prize.

Applicants may describe either a specific project, or a program of research, in which they played the leading role. Where the research program was undertaken by a team, the applicant must clearly identify the aspects of the program or project they led. Policy, programs or service delivery impact can be in the government, non-government or private sectors. Applicants need to provide evidence that their research has had an impact in the past five years.

Assessment of applications

Applications will be assessed by an independent Assessment Committee consisting of international and national leaders in the field. Applications will be ranked according to Contribution (50%) and Significance (50%). The Assessment Committee will be chaired by Professor Nicholas Mays.

Completing the Verification Form

You have been invited to complete the Verification Form as a research user, defined as a policy maker, program designer, service provider or similar who can independently confirm that the applicant's research has had an

impact on policy, programs or service delivery.

Section 1: Details of nominated research user

Please describe your connection to the applicant's research and its impact on policy, programs or service delivery? (i.e. How do you know the applicant? What is your knowledge of the policy, program or service delivery detailed in the applicant's submission?).

Section 2: Details of the applicant for whom you are providing verification

Please note that the Verification Form will not be shared with the applicant and will be treated confidentially.

Section 3: Verification of the impact of the research on policy, programs or service delivery

Please indicate whether you agree with the applicant's description of the research impact and provide justification. Please assign a rating to the overall contribution of the applicant's research to policy, programs or service delivery (i.e. Would there have been an impact without the applicant's research? Did it make a major or minor contribution to the overall impact?).

Confidentiality

All submissions will be treated confidentially and will only be viewed by the Assessment Committee and Sax Institute staff. Please refer to the privacy statement in the Verification Form for more details.

Enquiries

For all enquiries, please contact the Sax Institute.

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