



The Association
for Child and Adolescent
Mental Health

Call for nominations

6th Annual ACAMH Awards



The ACAMH Awards aim to recognise high quality work in evidence-based science, both in publication and practice, in the field of child and adolescent mental health. Nominations will be evaluated by a panel of leading figures in the field, along with ACAMH trustees and the Editors-in-Chief of our journals; JCPP, JCPP *Advances* and CAMH.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS Wednesday 31 July. The awards will be presented at an online ceremony on Friday 7 November, with details announced closer to the time.

You can complete the nomination on this PDF or [online here](#). Terms and conditions are on the last page.

If you are completing the form online, once the process is started it cannot be saved and revisited. The nomination form includes an 800 word supporting statement, so please have all the information collected before starting the nomination process.

If you have any questions, or make an error with your form, please email: awards@acamh.org

Winners of the 2023 ACAMH Awards can be found www.acamh.org/blog/acamh-awards-2023-results

Categories for the 2024 ACAMH Awards

Self-nominations are allowed, unless stated.

Nominations will be judged on the 'Required Information' criteria as stated for each award.

Nominations must cover all the criteria to be successful.

Digital Innovation Awards

Research on Digital Impact

Nomination Criteria: A researcher who has published the best paper on an information/data/IT/digital topic relating to child and adolescent mental health, which can include online assessment innovations.

Required Information

1. A description of the relevant paper and its merits.

Digital Intervention

Nomination Criteria: A clinician who has put evidence base into practice within the information/data/IT/digital fields of child and adolescent mental health. This could be the use of information or technologies in the delivery of care or service design etc.

Required Information

1. Evidence of use of information/technology in delivery of care.

Educator Award

David Cottrell 'Education of CAMH Professionals'

Nomination Criteria: Someone who has had a significant impact upon the education or training of child and adolescent mental health professionals. This is open to all disciplines, but education or training must relate to children's mental health.

Required Information

1. Description of regular, sustained teaching of child and adolescent mental health professionals.
2. Evidence of evaluation of own teaching including the collection of, and response to, learner feedback.
3. Evidence of dissemination of education activities through presentations, workshops, or publications.

Trainee Awards

Postgraduate Research Trainee of the Year

Nomination Criteria: Trainee or student who is less than two years post PhD who has shown initiative or made a significant contribution to child and adolescent mental health.

Required Information

1. List of relevant publications demonstrating academic potential.
2. Any examples of oral/poster presentations at regional, national, or international conferences.
3. Grant income.

Research Trainee of the Year

Nomination Criteria: Open to any individual undertaking postgraduate training as a practitioner working with children in relation to mental health from any background (e.g. clinical psychology, educational psychology, child and adolescent psychiatry). This could include candidates currently in a clinical training working towards a professional qualification, or teaching, for example, an individual undertaking an MEd who is able to demonstrate a clear commitment to evidence-based clinical practice.

Required Information

1. Demonstrable involvement in academic work by reviewing papers for ACAMH or through Publons.
2. Information on involvement in training / advocating for evidence-based practice (i.e. quality improvement).
3. Demonstrable involvement in publications through research or audit (through publications).

Clinical Trainee of the Year

Nomination Criteria: Open to an individual undertaking their first qualification as a practitioner working with children in relation to mental health from any background (e.g. nursing, social work, occupational therapy, physio) and working towards a clinical qualification and who demonstrates a clear commitment to evidence based clinical practice.

Required Information

1. Evidence of involvement in training/advocating for evidence-based practice (i.e. quality improvement).
2. Evidence of involvement in research or audit (through publications).
3. Letters from supervisors or feedback from courses.

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Research Into Practice Award

Eric Taylor 'Translational Research Into Practice'

Nomination Criteria: An individual with a sustained contribution to translating research into practice over a number of years, whose work involves both research, and either clinical or educational involvement in practice. And/or a researcher or clinician who has published translational science (evidence base into practice) with evidence of impact on clinical service provision. This could involve the establishment of new interventions, or improvement of existing ones, with evidence of impact on clinical service provision.

Required Information

1. A link to a key published paper - No more than three other papers may be submitted in support.
2. An assessment of the sustained body of work/Impact on health or education service.
3. Evidence of impact.
4. Answer to the question: Why now?

Rising Star Award

Kathy Sylva 'Rising Star'

Nomination Criteria: *Please note that this award cannot be self-nominated.* Open to any person who has made a significant scientific contribution to child and adolescent mental health literature, within 10 years of their first peer reviewed journal publication.

Required Information

1. Number of journal articles.
2. Number of citations on Google Scholar.
3. H index on Google Scholar.
4. Full List of publications.
5. Full 1-page CV to be attached.

Team Awards

Only teams can be nominated for these two awards.

Lionel Hersov Memorial Award

Nomination Criteria: A practice team that has demonstrated the use of evidence base (research, audit or service evaluation) into clinical practice. Or a team that has evaluated the outcome or measures either the clinical impact or demonstrated quality improvement (can be efficiencies of time, money or reduced 'waste'). The nominations will be accepted from researchers, investigators, clinicians, and educationalists.

Required Information

1. Evidence of demonstrable and sustained outcomes over a period of time exceeding at least a year.
2. Explanation of value to the community.
3. Demonstration of replicability.
4. List of all team members.

Innovative Research, Training or Practice in Low and Middle Income Countries (LMICs)

Nomination Criteria: Team based in a country classified by the World Bank as LMICs* in the preceding year, and whose work involve research, clinical or educational activities in that country. The work shows innovation in research, training, or practice/service delivery in child and adolescent mental health.

Required Information

1. The level of innovation and applicability across other LMICs or potential for application in High Income Countries (reverse innovation).
2. Underpinning evidence base/science.
3. Impact.
4. Sustainability.

* Eligible countries; Afghanistan, Angola, Algeria, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Burundi, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, El Salvador, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kenya, Kiribati, Kyrgyz Republic, Lao, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Micronesia, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, North Korea, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Rwanda, Samoa, São Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Vietnam, West Bank and Gaza, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe. [Link to World Bank](#)



ACAMH Awards 2024 Nomination Form

Supporting Statement

In no more than 800 words explain why you think the nominee meets the award criteria and why they should be shortlisted for the above award. This may be used for promotional purposes if the nominee wins the award. Please include all the required information for your chosen award. Any entry over the word limit or not containing all the necessary information will not be considered. **For the Kathy Sylva 'Rising Star' please remember to also upload a 1 page CV.**



ACAMH Awards 2024 Terms and Conditions

1. Each entry should not exceed the word limit specified and must address the required information for the award.
2. Completed entries should be sent by email to awards@acamh.org
3. All nominations and information supplied in the supporting material will be treated as confidential.
4. Details of the Awards event will follow in due course.
5. Please note the nominee must have given their permission to be nominated prior to the entry being submitted.
6. A person can be nominated for several categories.
7. Multiple nominations **DO NOT** carry more weight. If there is more than one nomination for the same person (for the same award), only the first nomination submitted will be considered.
8. The judges reserve the right to withhold any award should they feel the entries are below the required standard.
9. The verdict of the judging panel is final.
10. Entries may be based on activities undertaken in the last five years.
11. All entries must include full name and valid contact details.
12. Evidence of the examples/publications given, and/or references maybe be asked.
13. Closing date for nominations is **Wednesday 31 July midnight UK time.**