

Kimberly-Clark Health Care

KINGGUARD® Sterile Wrap Scholarship 2009

What is it?

The KIMBERLY-CLARK KINGGUARD® Sterile Wrap scholarship program has been developed in conjunction with FSRACA to provide special recognition for innovative change improvement programs developed by Sterile Service professionals.

Our 2009 Scholarship Program contributes AU\$5,500 to members of SRACA and NZSSA who are either Managers of CSSD or Technicians working in CSSD, to investigate and document innovative change improvement programs that have been developed. A total of eight opportunities are available throughout Australia and New Zealand to contribute to recognition of the powerful contribution that CSSD brings to patient care.

CSSD Managers Scholarship: The Australian National winner and the New Zealand National winner of the CSSD Manager's Awards will each be awarded AU\$2,000 / NZ\$2,500 towards attending a sterilisation conference.

CSSD Technicians Scholarship: Australian winners of the CSSD Technician's Poster Prize will each receive AU\$250 and New Zealand winners of the CSSD Technician's Poster Prize will each receive NZ\$300, to attend a local sterilisation conference.

All entries will be judged independently of Kimberly-Clark and should be received by your State SRACA or NZSSA Representative by Friday 24 April 2009.

We welcome your participation in the Scholarship Program.

Who can apply?

To qualify for entry into the KIMBERLY-CLARK KINGGUARD® Sterile Wrap Scholarship Program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Member of SRACA or NZSSA
- Currently employed in a Sterile Services facility or Laundry
- Must have completed a Sterilisation Technology or related course
- Agree to present their entry at a State or National Sterilisation Conference
- The applicant must not have previously been awarded a State or National KINGGUARD® Sterile Wrap scholarship within the past two years
- A condition of entry is that the winning entries will be published in the 'Sterilisation in Australia' journal and that, if you win, you authorise the reproduction of your entry in the journal and the editing of your entry prior to publication without consultation.
- Assessment of whether an applicant fulfils these entry criteria is to be determined at Kimberly-Clark's (or its representatives') sole discretion
- This scholarship submission cannot have been entered for another supplier's scholarship program.
- Scholarship prize must be realised 12 months from the date of the award.

An Application Form is provided (see over). Contact your SRACA or NZSSA representative listed below for more information.

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CSSD Managers:

Requirements

Submit a paper on a **Sterile Service Change Improvement** of which you have been one of the principal project organisers.

The project needs to be submitted in a report format and should not be more than 2,000 words. Please send these in Australia to the SRACA President in your state or in New Zealand through NZSSA. All entries must be received by Friday 24 April 2009.

The Australian and New Zealand winners will be announced at a relevant upcoming conference and contacted by mail and phone.

Assessment Criteria

1. The project needs to be relevant to general practice in a health based sterilisation facility.

Examples of possible topics for improving practice or processes could include:

- **Validation**
- **Implementing Event Related Sterility Management**
- **Standardising Practice**
- **Improving OH&S practices**
- **Implementing a training and education program for CSSD staff**
- **Overcoming wet pack issues**
- **Processing of anaesthetic items**

2. The layout of the paper needs to be in report format as follows:

- Abstract
- Discussion
- Introduction
- Conclusion
- Methodology
- References
- Results

All entrants' papers will be individually judged by an independent judge appointed by Kimberly-Clark. All entries will be judged with regard to the overall quality of the project, including contribution of knowledge, degree of project innovation and project methodology. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Prize

Two (2) prizes of AU\$2,000 / NZ\$2,500 (one for Australia and one for New Zealand) towards attendance at a sterilisation conference. Travel will be booked via Kimberly-Clark. Scholarship prize must be realised within 12 months from the date of the award.

CSSD Technicians: (exclusive to CSSD Technicians)

Requirements

Submit a 1 sided poster on **One Improvement** that has helped you as a CSSD professional or your facility.

The project needs to be not more than 750 words and in a layout under the three headings below:

1. Background

Information as to why you or your facility looked to make this improvement.

2. Action Taken

The actual improvements that were made to help you as a CSSD professional or your facility.

3. Results

A short summary with the outcomes and benefits that have resulted due to these improvements.

The posters need to be submitted in a report format and should not be more than 750 words. Please send these in Australia to the SRACA President in your state or in New Zealand through NZSSA. All entries must be received by Friday 24 April 2009.

The Australian and New Zealand winners will be announced at a relevant upcoming conference and contacted by mail and phone.

Assessment Criteria

The project needs to be relevant to general practice in a health based sterilisation facility. All entrants' papers will be individually judged by an independent judge appointed by Kimberly-Clark. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Prize

Six (6) prizes will be awarded to attend a local sterilisation conference: Australian winners (1 per State) will each receive AU\$250 and New Zealand winners will each receive NZ\$300. Travel will be booked via Kimberly-Clark. Scholarship prize must be realised within 12 months from the date of the award.

Scholarship Application Form

Name: _____

Role: _____

Department Facility/Hospital: _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____

State: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone: () _____

Fax: () _____

Email: _____

Project Title: _____

SRACA/NZSSA Membership No: _____ State: _____

Sterilisation Technology Course and Date Completed: _____

Please attach a photocopy of each of the following:

- Sterilising Technology or CSSD Technician's Certificate / Qualification or Foundation Course Certificate
- Current SRACA / NZSSA Membership receipt or statement of Membership
- Hospital / Laundry Service Identification.

Closing date for applications: Friday 24 April 2009.

Please send your entry to your SRACA or NZSSA Representative listed overleaf.

