## **Indigenous Allied Health Australia**



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# IAHA Professional Development Scholarship Guidelines for Application

### About the Support

Indigenous Allied Health Australia (IAHA) aims to support the continuing professional, cultural and personal development of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander allied health workforce. The IAHA Professional Development Scholarship is for IAHA Full Member Graduates who wish to undertake a professional development opportunity.

IAHA are pleased to offer a professional development opportunity for IAHA Full Members. The value of the professional development Scholarship will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

Please note:

- this support and/or scholarship cannot be used to attend the IAHA National Conference
- a scholarship can include conference registration, flights from the closest airport and accommodation only (pending funds available)
- All other expenses including meals, transfers\* and related costs will be the responsibility of the recipient and should be considered prior to application.

N.B. Any questions regarding transfers, please contact Head Office or email <u>membership@iaha.com.au</u> to discuss.

(Transfers are from home to the closest airport and return, and/or airport returns to the event. However, support may be considered on a case-by-case basis. Priority will be given to remoteness/distance from the closest airport).

## Eligibility

- a) Scholarships will be available to IAHA Full Member Graduates, as endorsed by the Board of Directors.
- b) Professional Development Opportunities in scope include; Short courses, non-award postgraduate courses, conference support. Other professional development opportunities may be considered upon application.
- c) Recipients of previous IAHA Professional Development Support and/or Scholarships who have failed to submit their report to IAHA are ineligible to apply.
- d) Recipients acknowledge that a scholarship will not or may not cover meals, incidentals, travel to the nearest airport and return.
- e) For international travel, recipients acknowledge the eligibility criteria to travel overseas, and that payment of travel insurances, passport and visa expenses etc are at your own costs and you are able to cover these associated costs.

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f) Applicants must address all criteria in the application form.

#### Selection

Selection for professional development scholarships is a competitive process. In addition to meeting the eligibility criteria and agreeing to the requirements of a scholarship opportunity, applications will be assessed on response to the selection criteria demonstrating how the scholarship benefits you professional, culturally and/or personally.

- a) Scholarship recipients will be selected by the IAHA Secretariat based on merit.
- b) In accordance with the IAHA Conflict of Interest policy any member applying for a scholarship must declare any conflict of interest.
- c) IAHA will notify successful applicants in writing. Recipients must advise their acceptance of the scholarship and agree to all the terms and conditions, Code of Conduct in writing within the timeframe provided.
- d) IAHA will notify unsuccessful applicants in writing.
- e) If an applicant forfeits or declines a scholarship offer, that place may be offered to another applicant.
- f) Applications received after the closing date (where applicable) will not be eligible or considered.

The selection process is managed by the IAHA Secretariat and decisions made are final and not subject to any appeals process.

#### **Application Process**

- a) Members must apply in writing to IAHA by completing the application form supplied.
- b) Applicants will be required to provide a written statement addressing (up to 500 words each):
  - How the scholarship will benefit the applicant in their professional, cultural, and personal development.
  - Clearly identifying your location of residence and region you work/study within and your future aspirations within your career, profession, or workplace.
  - How the applicant will share their learning and experiences gained from this opportunity with others working in allied health and/or Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, including giving back to IAHA.
  - Your engagement with IAHA
- c) Applications are to be submitted online on completion of the application form.
- d) Must agree to the Terms and Conditions provided.