

## **NHS Consultant Clinical Excellence Awards for England and Wales**

### **ACCEA 2015 National Awards Round**

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On Monday 13 April the Advisory Committee on Clinical Excellence Awards (ACCEA) announced that the 2015 National Awards Round would be open from :

**Tuesday 14 April 2015** , closing at **1700 hours on Wednesday 17 June 2015**.

Applications received (via the online system) by ACCEA after that time will not be accepted. It is the responsibility of the individual nominee (and not the Faculty or the Trust) to ensure that his/her application is submitted electronically to ACCEA by this deadline. The Faculty's only responsibility is to produce a ranked list of nominations, accompanied by citations for each nominee – also by the above deadline.

With the reduction in the total number of available national awards (down to 300 new awards in England and 18 in Wales last year), competition is intense and only a very small number of applicants will be successful; the success rate across the four levels is broadly similar, at around 21%. It is therefore imperative that we only submit applications of the highest quality which stand a significant chance of success.

Applications for Faculty support for new and renewal of consultants' clinical excellence awards at a national level (Bronze, Silver, Gold) are now invited from NHS consultants in occupational medicine based in England and Wales. In order to meet the ACCEA deadline, and to allow the Faculty CEA Committee sufficient time to score and rank applications, completed forms (as Word documents please) must be submitted to [frances.quinn@fom.ac.uk](mailto:frances.quinn@fom.ac.uk) by **10 00 am on Friday 22 May 2015**, at the latest.

The 2015 guidance is available on the ACCEA website at:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/clinical-excellence-awards-2014-application-guidance>.

The forms are available via the online system. You can download copies of the forms, to refine your responses, before completing the actual forms online. Applicants seeking Faculty support must submit completed Form A (CEA application form) and may submit optional supplementary forms (research and innovation, teaching and training, leadership and management): for bronze and silver awards - one supplementary form; for gold awards - up to two supplementary forms.

In deciding which applications to support, the Faculty takes particular note of contributions to the practice of occupational medicine at a regional, national and international level, not only through work for the Faculty, but also on behalf of other organisations such as the Society of Occupational Medicine, the Association of National Health Occupational Physicians, Department of Health, Health and Safety Executive, etc.

As indicated above, competition will be tight; however, the Faculty will do its best to support deserving occupational physicians.

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