



## **AWARD: BOB SMITH LECTURE**

### **History**

This Lectureship is awarded in the name of Dr Robert Bernard William Smith, MB ChB (NZ), MRACP, FRACP was born in Auckland in 1936 and educated in Palmerston North before attending Medical School at the University of Otago. His training continued at Palmerston North, Wellington and Canberra, Australia. After completing physician training he worked in the British Solomon Islands then Wellington. After further specialist training in diabetes in London in 1975 he returned to Wellington where he spent the rest of his career until retiring in 2002. From 1976 to 2002 he was Physician-in-Charge of the Diabetic Services at Wellington Hospital. He is universally respected and fondly remembered by patients and staff, and is responsible for educating and inspiring a whole generation of diabetes clinicians across multiple disciplines as they came through the Wellington diabetes service. He is particularly remembered for his inclusive approach to multidisciplinary care of people with diabetes.

Dr Smith was one of the founding members of NZSSD in 1976 and served on the executive on more than one occasion including as the first secretary and then president in 1981 and 1982. Dr Smith was also responsible for the production of the society newsletter "Newsweet" for many years including the very first edition in 1977. He always attended and contributed to the annual scientific meeting unless clinical responsibilities precluded this. Dr Smith was made a life member of the society in 1995.

The first recipient of the award, in 2016, was Dr Paul Drury.

### **Intention**

This lectureship is to recognise an individual's leadership and outstanding contributions to the advancement of knowledge and/or clinical practice in the field of diabetes mellitus and related metabolic diseases in New Zealand.

### **The Lecture**

The recipient will deliver the Dr Bob Smith Lecture at the NZSSD Annual General Meeting.

## **General criteria**

1. The Lectureship will be awarded at most once per year. It need not be awarded in any given year.
2. The Lectureship will be awarded only once to any one person. It will typically recognise a longstanding or lifetime contribution.
3. The recipient must be a longstanding member of NZSSD. The number of years is at Executive discretion but there is no requirement for current membership.
4. There is no payment with the award, except that the award will cover costs of registration for the NZSSD Annual Scientific Meeting and reasonable associated travel and accommodation.

## **Nomination and Selection**

1. All members of the NZSSD are eligible for nomination.
2. Any member can nominate a candidate. The nomination needs a sponsor within the Executive. The nominator and the sponsor will write a letter of recommendation, of not more than 1,000 words.
3. Nominations and support letter should be available by the end of November of the year prior to the award.
4. Selection will be solely by consensus of the Executive.
5. The Executive can change any process or criterion by consensus.

## **Criteria to Guide Assessment of Contribution**

The criteria set out below are indicative only, are not exhaustive, and are to be interpreted at the discretion of the NZSSD Executive. These criteria indicate an exemplary standard in one or more of teaching and mentoring, research, or service and leadership. No candidate is expected to meet all criteria.

Separate from these criteria, the Executive should consider a special category to recognise what might be called the 'unsung heroes', that is, those who have contributed substantively 'behind the scenes' to the work of the diabetes community.

Executive members will expect that they, and colleagues, would consider that a recipient 'obviously' meets the relevant criteria.

(Indicative criteria on following page)

### Teaching and mentoring

	<b>Indicative criteria</b>
<b>General criteria</b>	International recognition as a leader in teaching and learning, publications of peer reviewed journals. E.g. editorial board, accreditation committees/ advisory groups, invited speaker at conferences, professional meetings.
<b>Delivery of teaching to facilitate learning</b>	National / international standing in furthering understanding of and improving of teaching and learning.
<b>Addressing diversity</b>	Contribution to Equal Education Opportunity beyond the level of their institution.

### Research

	<b>Indicative criteria</b>
<b>Research Publications</b>	Sustained production of publications, including in higher impact journals of the field area.
<b>Research Presentation / Communications</b>	Invited symposium or plenary lecture(s) at significant international meeting of wide attendance.
<b>Research Leadership / Capacity Building</b>	Leader of research team. Evidence of wide collaboration with international partners

### Service and Leadership

	<b>Indicative criteria</b>
<b>Disciplinary / Professional Group</b>	Significant leadership of profession beyond New Zealand e.g. President of College.
<b>Community Engagement</b>	Leadership in major community health development projects. Leadership in projects in developing nations.
<b>Policy Influence</b>	Contributes significantly to advising government, community and other organisations. Expertise sought by international bodies.
<b>Responsiveness to Maori</b>	Leadership at a national level and/or key roles at an international level with clear evidence of international recognition.
<b>Critic and Conscience</b>	Influential publications of social and health criticism. Evidence that contributions to advocacy are having a significant impact