

Indigenous Health Committee

Scholarship program to attend the 2026 ANZCA Annual Scientific Meeting

ANZCA offers sponsorship packages for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Māori senior medical students and pre-vocational doctors to attend the college's Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM).

Each package includes:

- Full ASM registration from 1 May 5 May 2026.
- Accommodation at a nearby hotel.
- Travel grant of \$1000 AUD
- Option to attend the Faculty of Pain Medicine Symposium (2 May 2026).
- Opportunity to meet college staff and Indigenous Health Committee members.

For more information about this year's ASM please visit the conference website.

Aim

Through attending the college's ASM and engaging directly with anaesthetists and specialist pain medicine physicians, the program aims to foster interest in anaesthesia, perioperative medicine and pain medicine among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Māori senior medical students and pre-vocational doctors.

Objectives

The ASM sponsorship is designed to foster interest in training in anaesthesia, perioperative medicine and pain medicine through providing a stimulating learning opportunity and facilitating communication between potential trainees and college trainees and fellows.

The program provides an opportunity to learn more about anaesthesia, perioperative medicine and pain medicine, talk to fellows and trainees and meet college staff. Participation is designed to help you decide if speciality training with ANZCA is right for you.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- 1. Be a second last year or final year student in an accredited medical school or a prevocational doctor in Australia or Aotearoa New Zealand.
- 2. Identify as a Māori, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.
- 3. Have an interest in specialising in anaesthesia, perioperative medicine or pain medicine.
- 4. Be able to attend the ASM in the calendar year for which the scholarship is offered.



Selection

Applicants should complete and submit the <u>application form</u> to the ANZCA Indigenous Health Committee. Applications will be assessed by the committee and rated on merit consistent with the eligibility criteria outlined above. Not all available packages must be awarded, and this is at the discretion of the committee.

Conditions

- The name and photograph of the recipients of the award may be published in ANZCA media.
- The recipient will be required to supply a brief (maximum 500 words) report to the Indigenous Health Committee within one month of their attendance, reflecting on their experiences.

Applications

Applications must include all information requested and be submitted by 30 January 2026. No late applications will be considered.

Any queries please email lndigenoushealth@anzca.edu.au