



# MULLIGAN CONCEPT RESEARCH AWARD



GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

## **1.0 MULLIGAN CONCEPT TEACHER ASSOCIATION RESEARCH AWARD BACKGROUND**

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The Mulligan Concept Teachers Association (MCTA) has identified the need to promote the undertaking of significant research projects and the dissemination of research findings relative to the Mulligan Concept and thus have established a Mulligan Concept research fund to assist in achieving this goal. The primary goal of the Mulligan Concept research fund is to provide financial assistance for quality research of a high academic standard that investigates the efficacy or scientific basis for Mulligan Concept treatment techniques. Furthermore, the awards will encourage the spread of knowledge gained from such research to physiotherapists worldwide through presentations at conferences and publications in relevant journals.

The research fund is reliant on contributions from participants of Mulligan Concept courses held worldwide. From January 1<sup>st</sup> 2002 a levy of participants gross course fee has been charged to fund the Mulligan Concept Research Award. It is the preference of the Mulligan Concept Teachers Association that funding is awarded to major projects (for example randomised controlled trials).

The Award shall be available for award to any person undertaking research into the Mulligan Concept of high academic merit. The Scientific Committee of the MCTA reserves the right to determine whether or not a particular application fits the criteria, whether any or a modified number of scholarships/grants will be awarded, or whether it considers a particular application deserves support in relation to any criteria it may determine from time to time.

The Scientific Committee will select appropriate applications. A panel made up by the Executive of the MCTA and the Scientific Committee of the MCTA will be responsible for the final determination of successful application.

## **2.0 DATES FOR CONSIDERATION**

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Applications for funding must be made on the Mulligan Concept Teachers Association Research Award Application Form and be in the hands of the Scientific Committee by the 1<sup>st</sup> May of the funding year.

The Guidelines for Applicants together with Application forms are available from the Mulligan Concept Website: <http://www.bmulligan.com/research/award.html> or directly from the Scientific Committee members.

Applications should be emailed to the chair of the Scientific Committee (see below). It takes approximately 10 weeks for applications to be processed. Applications will only be accepted on the designated and properly completed application form, supported by the required documents.

Applications are not considered for late or retrospective activities.

### **3.0 WHO CAN HELP AND GIVE ADVICE**

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The current Chair of the Scientific Committee is Grant Mackay. Grant can be contacted at [grant.mackay@graduate.curtin.edu.au](mailto:grant.mackay@graduate.curtin.edu.au).

### **4.0 APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

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### **5.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS**

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Awards not taken up within the agreed time will be deemed to have lapsed. If a project is not completed within the agreed time frames an extension of time or partial refund may be determined by the MCTA Scientific Committee.

No awards will be made for projects which are purely intended as profit making ventures.

Successful applicants will be sent a formal acceptance notice requiring them to subscribe to the terms laid down by the MCTA Scientific Committee. This must be returned completed to the satisfaction of the Scientific Committee prior to funds becoming available.

Publications or other presentations that result from the Research Award are encouraged. Any publications resulting from work done during the tenure of a Research Award shall include an acknowledgment of support provided by the Mulligan Concept Teachers Association by a suitable statement of acknowledgment. In addition the successful applicant will be required to provide the Mulligan Concept Teachers Association with any publications arising from the research supported by the research Award.

All information supplied will be treated in confidence. Only: the names, topic of the award, the year for which the award was taken up, and the amount of the Award will be published.

### **6.0 REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS**

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Reports on progress may be requested by the Scientific Committee of the Mulligan Concept Teachers Association at any time, but in any case, the Applicant shall submit to the Scientific Committee an annual

and final written report on the work/use of the Research Award and receipts where applicable

## **7.0 DISPUTES AND APPEALS**

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In the event of a dispute concerning the administration or other matters pertaining to an application or research Award the Scientific Committee will establish an appeal procedure which will incorporate:

- a) Provision for a request to the committee to formally reconsider the matter in question (in the case of a declined application this would normally be at the time of the next application round).
- b) If the decision of the Scientific Committee stands their decision is final and no review procedure is possible.

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