

The SHPA Medal of Merit

The SHPA Medal of Merit (formerly known as the GlaxoSmithKline Medal of Merit) is awarded annually to an SHPA member in recognition of outstanding recent contributions and exemplary effort in hospital pharmacy practice.

The recipient of this honour is invited to receive the medal and provide an oration at SHPA's annual [Medicines Management Conference](#); the oration is subsequently published in SHPA's member journal, [Pharmacy Growth, Research, Innovation and Training](#).

Recognising exemplary contributions

Any SHPA member who has made an outstanding recent contribution or contributions to the practice of hospital pharmacy or the professional development of pharmacy in the past three years, through involvement in a particular activity or range of activities, is suitable for nomination.

A medal with meaning

The SHPA Medal of Merit symbolises the selection process that must be made between prescription and patient: 'Each horizontal row represents one of the four selection criteria: the first row is quality; the second is quantity; the third the means of administration and the assurance that the medication is given to the correct patient; and the fourth is the frequency of administration and the assurance that adequate dosage is delivered to the patient. The gold insert on each row symbolises the drug's critical path.'

Nominate now!

Nominations are accepted from Branch Committees; or any group of five financial SHPA members who submit and sign a recommendation.

Email nominations to awards@shpa.org.au by **Sunday 30 June**, including:

- a **letter in support** of the nomination
- the **signed approval** of the nominee (via an email or letter of acceptance)
- a **curriculum vitae** of the nominee
- signed references from two referees addressing the selection criteria.

Nominations will be considered by a voting panel chaired by the SHPA Federal President including the Board of Directors, with the recipient announced at [Medicines Management 2018, SHPA's National Conference](#).

**For selection criteria and nomination information,
visit shpa.org.au/awards**

