

2019 IAN O'ROURKE SCHOLARSHIP IN PATIENT SAFETY

Applications are invited for the Ian O'Rourke Scholarship in Patient Safety commencing in July 2019.

The Scholarship is named in honour of the late Dr Ian O'Rourke AO, Chief Executive Officer of the Institute for Clinical Excellence (2002 – 2004). Dr O'Rourke was a surgeon, educator, academic and researcher and was passionate about the work he undertook with Aboriginal communities at the Redfern Medical Centre, in far north Queensland, and the Northern Territory.

The Scholarship is designed to allow participants to develop better skills in integrating evidence from research in health care quality and safety policy and programs. Under the guidance of a nominated local mentor, Scholars will investigate an issue of interest, based on improving quality and safety in health care.

The aim of the Scholarship is to enable successful applicants to:

- Have advanced skills in using research to improve quality and safety in health care
- Develop expertise in evidence-based practice and policy
- Network with national and international experts in quality and safety and patient-based care who will be available for ongoing cross-national exchange and collaboration
- Become future leaders of quality and safety in patient care.

The Ian O'Rourke Scholarship is open to all employees of NSW Health facilities and/or agencies and employees of NSW-based academic institutions. Applicants should be undertaking or intending to undertake a relevant PhD, Masters or other degree or diploma at an accredited academic institution during the period of the Scholarship.

The Scholarship study plan MUST include a visit to a nominated national or international agency with expertise in the chosen field.

Successful applicants will receive funding, up to a maximum of \$10,000. Applicants can use the Ian O'Rourke Scholarship as a supplement to an existing or prospective scholarship.

For further information and application forms

www.cec.health.nsw.gov.au

Applications close

11:59pm Sunday 24 February 2019

For informal enquiries, please contact

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