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## DELANEY MEDAL 2026

Competition guidelines

CAI Annual Congress  
20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

- A medal, commemorating the late **Dr Edmund Delaney**, will be awarded by the Council of the College of Anaesthetists of Ireland for a presentation on a research subject related to anaesthesia, intensive care or pain medicine practice, submitted by a non-consultant hospital doctor (to include post CSCST clinical or research fellows) for work carried out in Ireland. Previous winners of the medal may not submit an application, and no individual may submit more than one application.
- Three judges examine the applications and to maintain anonymity they must have been submitted under a 'non de plume' abstract form and a normal abstract form. The abstract must be written in such a way as to avoid giving any clue as to the name or place of work of the author.
- Abstracts should be 250 words or less and be structured as follows: Importance of the Subject, Methods, Results (which must give actual summary data of the main finding) and Conclusion.

### ELIGIBILITY:

- Applicants must be CAI SATs or NCHDs who have worked at least 3 years in Ireland.
- Applications must be submitted on the understanding that it is original investigation.
- If the abstract has been presented previously outside the department where the work was done, this must be stated at the end of the abstract (name of congress, date of presentation, location city, country).
- Material which has been published as a manuscript within one calendar year of the date of the Delaney Medal presentation is also eligible.
- The author must have played a major role in the study.
- Following a shortlisting process top ranking entrants will be required to make presentations at a meeting to be held by the council of the College of Anaesthetists of Ireland. Time available for each presentation will be limited to 8 minutes. The presentations will be held during the Annual Congress of Anaesthesiology 2026. The judges may then ask questions to elucidate the paper, for a further 5 minutes. The meeting will be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> of May 2026.
- In all matters concerning the competition the JUDGES DECISION WILL BE FINAL

Applications to be submitted by email to  
[congressabstracts@coa.ie](mailto:congressabstracts@coa.ie) by **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2026, 4pm**