



Guidance and further information: IPEM Team Award

The IPEM Team Award is awarded to any team, group, or collaboration, for working well towards a collective goal for the betterment of patient care. These teams may be working on a project with a specific end point in mind or have a long-standing good working relationship. Collaborations between clinicians and academics are encouraged.

The teams must be working on something to further IPEMs' charitable objectives (for instance, patient care) either directly or indirectly. This work may be directly and presently impacting patient care, or novel and innovative, with a view to patient benefit in the future.

Regulations

1. The IPEM Team Award is open to any team where at least one team member is an IPEM member, of any age, grade, discipline, or employment. The team, group or collaboration must contain 3 or more individuals.
2. The Team Award is awarded to any team for a specific piece of work or project that benefits patients and IPEMs charitable objectives. This may be directly, for example, designing a bespoke device or indirectly, for example, by producing an information leaflet or providing advice on a website.
3. Teams can self-nominate or be nominated by another member. IPEM will inform nominated candidates that they have been put forward for an award. The nominator can decide in the nomination form whether they wish for their details to remain anonymous.
4. Candidates or nominators should complete the application form and submit evidence to support the application, as detailed on the application form and in this guidance.
5. Applications/nominations for the Award can be made **until the 17th April 2026**.
6. IPEM committees, led by the Board of Trustees (but not involving the Prizes and Awards Panel), will also be asked to nominate potential prize winners.
7. The IPEM Prizes and Awards Panel will review applications and decide the winners. All applicants/nominees will receive an email notifying them of the award outcome.
8. The name of the winning team will be announced in August. Announcements will be made in IPEM's newsletter, on IPEM's LinkedIn page, and on IPEM's website. All unsuccessful candidates/nominators will be notified by email.
9. A representative of the winning team will be invited to the conference dinner and social event at IPEM's Science, Technology, and Engineering Forum (STEF) to receive the award from the IPEM President or their delegate.
10. We particularly welcome applications from newly formed teams and teams that have not previously been recognised for their contributions.
11. Rewards
 - £500 personal award to be shared equally amongst the team.
 - An invitation to the conference dinner at STEF to receive the award from the President.
12. Condition of acceptance
 - The winning team will be asked to provide a brief paragraph and photo to be used in IPEMs media channels. Further details will be communicated when winners are notified.
 - The prize-winner must be prepared to write a 1000-word article in Scope related to their work for submission by the end of September in the year of the award.

Application

1. The candidate or their nominator can fill in the form. If the application is a self-nomination, details of a supporter (senior person in or outside applicant's department) should be given. If the nominator is filling in the form, the nominator should indicate on the application form whether they consent to their name being shared with the team.
2. The citation should describe, in up to 500 words, how the work of the team has benefitted patients, IPEMs charitable objectives or the IPEM community.
3. It is strongly encouraged that relevant evidence is submitted to substantiate contributions the candidate has made as this will enhance the application. Evidence could include, but is not limited to, supporting statements.

Criteria against which the application will be assessed

1. Has the team, group or collaboration made a substantial and sustained contribution towards a collective goal for the betterment of patient care and IPEMs charitable objectives, working well together.
2. Does the application citation and supporting documentation demonstrate and evidence the teams substantial and sustained contributions as outlined above.