



### **SIRS 2024 Early Career Awards:**

The Early Career Award application deadline is **Thursday, 7 December 2023**. The program is intended to sponsor individuals who have through their research, teaching or clinical activities demonstrated professional and scientific interest in the field of schizophrenia research. Candidates must indicate their interest in schizophrenia research and, if possible, provide evidence of continuing and future involvement and activity in the field. **Accepted awardees will be notified by early January 2024.**

Individuals must be graduate students, residents, fellows, or new/young faculty members who have completed their last training within 5 years. Candidates who are members of an underrepresented group in biomedical science areas are strongly encouraged to apply.

Awardees are required to submit a poster or oral presentation abstract. It is the belief of the Society that the opportunity to attend its scientific meeting will stimulate the interest of young scientists in schizophrenia research by affording them the opportunity to attend an outstanding scientific program in clinical and basic research. The program will also allow awardees the opportunity to become aware of the most recent, and often unpublished, advances in schizophrenia research, meet international distinguished researchers and clinicians, and interact with world authorities working on the frontier of this field.

When you submit a poster/oral presentation, you will click “Yes, include award submission”, or “No, do not include award submission”. Clicking yes will add the required Early Career Award questions to your submission. These questions will need to be completed to be considered for an Early Career Award.

**\* Past Early Career Awardees (formerly Travel Awards) are NOT eligible to apply**

Each award will include:

- Waived registration
- A SIRS member mentor for the meeting
- Invitations to Early Career Award functions throughout the meeting
- A portion of hotel and/or travel to the meeting site from residing country.

A committee of senior investigators will select the awardees based on the following application materials required:

- A short statement about applicant’s career goals
- Curriculum Vitae
- Supporting letter from that applicant’s Director of Training or Department Chair AND proof of Student/Post-Doc status

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