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BAUS FY & CT Audit/QuIP Competition 2021

The entry criteria are outlined below.

The closing date for receipt of entries is no later than midnight (GMT) on 14 February 2021

The first authors of the two entries judged to be the best nationally will receive a prize of £100 and guest registration for, and a grant towards the cost of attending, the BAUS Annual Conference 2021 where they will be presented with a Certificate of Merit.

Entry Criteria:

- First authors of the audit must be a Foundation Trainee or a Core Trainee at the closing date (14 February 2021).
- Trainees may submit either a Urologically based audit or quality improvement project (QuIP).
- The audit/QuIP must have been completed within the last two years of the 14 February 2021 closing date
- The audit may be process or outcome or both.
- The audit/QuIP must be urologically based.
- If required, ethical approval should have been obtained and evidenced.
- The audit supervisor must be a Urological Surgeon and a member of BAUS in good standing.
- Ideally a re-audit should also have been completed or an assessment performed to show how the changes have improved care or service provision, but this is not essential for entry.

Guidance:

 The report should be submitted as a word document, (Surname.doc) via e mail with a separate cover letter (addressed to Ms Anna O'Riordan, BAUS Education Lead for Foundation and Core Trainees). The cover letter should include the name of the first author, the deanery / hospital where the first author works, contact details (phone and email), names of all the authors who have contributed to the audit report & give details of all the authors individual contributions (note – all authors should have contributed).

- It is regretted that only the first author will qualify for the award of a certificate and additional certificates, for any other contributors, will not be available.
- The name of the institution and authors should be in the cover letter and not in the report.
- The report should be no more than 1500 words (excluding title, abstract (no more than 250 words), tables, figures, authors and references).
- Figures and Tables should number no more than 8 in total.
- All references should be in the Harvard style.
- The report should be in Arial font, size 11 and double spaced.
- The Audit write-up should be in the format Abstract, Introduction, Aims, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusions and Recommendations.
- The QuIP should be in the format Abstract, Introduction, Aims, Measures, Changes, Method, Results, Action, Re-assessment, and Summary.
- Audits will be judged on:
 - Relevance to clinical practice Comparison with existing literature Originality Clarity of the report Appropriateness of methodology Understanding of the audit cycle Analysis of findings Suitability of recommendations Impact on patient care

Further information can be obtained from Ms Anna O'Riordan (BAUS Educational for Foundation and Core Trainees) via <u>hdoyle@baus.org.uk</u>

Cover letters and reports (in Word format only) should be submitted to the email address above by no later than midnight (GMT) on Friday 14 February 2021.

Received reports will be acknowledged. If you do not receive an acknowledgement email, please contact <u>hdoyle@baus.org.uk</u>. It is your responsibility to confirm your entry has been received.