



Conference Scholarship Scheme

Application and Criteria

Massage & Myotherapy Australia, under the National Conference Scholarship Scheme will provide funding for a scholarship to support a professional therapist to attend the 2024 National Conference to be held at Twin Towns, Tweed Heads, (Northern) NSW. The scholarship will support existing Massage & Myotherapy Australia qualified members and Massage & Myotherapy Australia student members seeking to develop their professional capacity in the massage therapy and myotherapy industry.

Applications are invited from members from all states and territories who:

- » have not attended the Conference previously;
- » is a current member of Massage & Myotherapy Australia;
- » is either currently a student of Cert IV Massage Therapy Practice or Diploma of Remedial Massage or Advanced Diploma Myotherapy or Bachelor of Health Science and are a current Student Member;
- » who are employed in the profession or who are an owner operator.

Benefits

The scholarship will be awarded to an individual and will take the form of payment of, or reimbursement for, agreed applicant costs for travel, accommodation, and conference registration, including the conference dinner and hands on practical workshops, to a maximum value of \$2000. All other costs, including any necessary leave to undertake the 2-day National Conference must be met by the applicant. The Association is not responsible for change of flights or cancellation costs.

The successful applicant will be entitled to state the following on their curriculum vitae:

'Massage & Myotherapy Australia National Conference Scholarship Scheme Winner 2024'

The successful applicant will be required to provide a summary of their conference experience and how winning the National Conference Scholarship Scheme contributed to their professional development. The review will be published in the *Massage & Myotherapy Journal*.

Application and Selection Process

The eligibility and selection criteria must be completed for the application to be valid. The application must be received in a typed format, adhere to the word count and be presented in the same structure as the criteria on the following page.

- » Applications will be received in softcopy (electronically) or hard copy and must not be handwritten;
- » Applications must have a copy of the applicants professional curriculum vitae attached;
- » Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

Selection criteria will be weighted as indicated on the application form by the maximum score possible for each criterion. A selection panel will independently assess all applications according to the eligibility and selection criteria.

Non-adherence to any part of the application process will result in a 10% reduction on the overall score achieved.

The successful applicant will be notified in writing at least three weeks prior to the event.

Please email your CV, application and coversheet to: 'Conference Scholarship Selection Panel' at ea@massagemyotherapy.com.au.

Collection Statement

To assist Massage & Myotherapy Australia (the Association) in processing your membership application, managing your membership, providing you with services, processing your complaints form, investigating complaints against members and former members, and in otherwise conducting the Association's functions and activities, the Association needs to collect personal information about you. By providing your personal information, you agree that it will be used and disclosed by the Association in accordance with this statement and Association's Privacy Policy, available [here](#). If you do not agree, you must not provide your personal information, and the Association may not be able to process your membership application, communicate with you or provide certain products or services to you.

The Association may disclose your personal information to other parties, including third parties who provide products and services to the Association or through the Association in the ordinary operation, administration or promotion of the Association's business including investigating complaints (including to private health funds, other professional associations, the police or regulatory bodies such as the Health Complaints Commissioner) and otherwise in accordance with the Association's Privacy Policy. From time to time, these third parties may be located (and therefore your personal information may be disclosed) overseas, including the Philippines, Canada, Singapore, United States of America, Fiji, and other countries from time to time as set out in AAMT's Privacy Policy.

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Application Coversheet

Closing date: Friday 22 March 2024 at 5.00pm (AEDT)

Applicant Details

Full Name: _____

Email: _____

Mobile: _____

Member No.: _____

Signature: _____

Eligibility Criteria (tick the box if applicable):

- I am a current financial member OR student member of Massage & Myotherapy Australia
- I have current insurance cover
- I hold a current First Aid certificate
- I have **NOT** attended a conference previously
- I have attached my curriculum vitae (resume)
- I have addressed and included the following criteria in this application.

Selection Criteria (All criteria must be responded to)

Criteria 1	The applicant's level of experience, massage therapy qualifications and work role. <i>Example: A description of my current role within the workplace, especially as it relates to massage therapy (Maximum 150 words)</i>	15%
Criteria 2	How the scholarship will assist the current work/study role of the applicant. <i>Example: How would winning the Massage & Myotherapy Australia National Conference Scholarship enhance your work/study role? (Maximum 300 words)</i>	35%
Criteria 3	The degree to which the applicant can promote massage therapy to the broader massage therapy sector and future opportunities to do so. <i>Example: My potential to contribute to promotion of massage therapy within my community (Maximum 150 words)</i>	15%
Criteria 4	How the scholarship will assist the applicant's professional and future career development. <i>Example: The degree to which the National Conference Scholarship Scheme is likely to develop, enhance or sustain my career as a massage therapist (Maximum 250 words maximum score)</i>	30%
Criteria 5	Commitment to attend the scheduled two days of Conference. Agreement to provide promotional material post Conference including an article for the <i>Massage & Myotherapy Journal</i> about the experience. Agreement to give a brief 'thank you' speech at the dinner.	5%