**COVID-19: Lessons for the future of Anaesthesia and Critical Care**

**Essay Prize – Individual Anaesthetist in Training**

**Background**

Applications are invited for the Lessons learnt from the global pandemic conference essay prize. The prize is open to all Anaesthetists in Training from across the world to write about their experiences from the COVID-19 pandemic. The prize has been donated by a retired anaesthetist who feels that COVID-19 will have provided a tremendous learning experience; enhancing both the clinical and non-clinical skills of individuals and departments, which should be recorded and used to aid the clinical practice and patient care of the future.

**Theme**

The essay should be written on the theme **“*How has the COVID-19 pandemic enhanced my clinical and non-clinical skills”.***

**Eligibility**

The competition is open to all Anaesthetists in Training. The essay should be the work of the named entrant only.

**Prize**

The donated prize of £500. You should include in your essay how you would use the prize to enhance the working lives of you and your team.

**How to enter**

* Supply your essay in PDF format along with this form to [abstracts@rcoa.ac.uk](mailto:abstracts@rcoa.ac.uk?subject=International%20COVID-19%20Conference%20Essay%20Prize)
* The word limit is 1,000 words (excluding references and headings).
* There is the possibility of essay content being published therefore all essays will be checked for plagiarism as part of the submission process.
* Submissions will be anonymised for judging. Author names and contact information should not be included within the essay.
* Previously published work is not eligible. Work that has been presented at hospital, school, or regional meetings will be considered.
* Essays must include references; listed and cited as specified by the British Journal of Anaesthesia as well as a caption if a figure or picture or table is used

**What happens next?**

* Entries will be accepted from the **25 March 2021.**
* The closing date for entries will be **11.59pm on Sunday 16 May 2021**.
* A panel of judges will assess all submissions shortly after the closing date.
* Authors will be notified by **Monday 7 June 2021** if their essay has been shortlisted for the overall prize. The Prize will be presented on the third and final day of the conference 17 June 2021
* Shortlisted essays will be displayed in the resources area on the Lessons learnt from the global pandemic Conference platform

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN WITH YOUR ESSAY

I (print full name)

certify that the essay submitted has not been previously been published or presented at a major meeting and is

all my own work unless otherwise referenced.

**Date:** **Signed:**

**Email:**

**Note:** signatures/electronic signatures are preferred; however typed names in the signature field will be accepted as certification of this statement.