

## Scoring Criteria for ACDHS Awards

### Allied Health Education – Innovation Award

#### 1. Originality and Creativity (30%)

- Degree of innovation in the approach.
- Uniqueness of the educational methods or tools used.
- Evidence of creative problem-solving in education.

#### 2. Impact on Learning (30%)

- Effectiveness in improving learning outcomes.
- Demonstrated positive feedback from students and educators.
- Measurable improvements in knowledge retention and application.

#### 3. Implementation and Sustainability (20%)

- Feasibility of widespread adoption.
- Cost-effectiveness and resource efficiency.
- Plans for sustaining the initiative over time.

#### 4. Contribution to the Field (20%)

- Advancements made in allied health education.
- Potential for the initiative to be a model for others.
- Contributions to professional development within the field.

### Allied Health First Nations - Leadership/Engagement Award

#### 1. Leadership in Advocacy (25%)

- Evidence of strong leadership in promoting First Nations health issues.
- Initiatives taken to advocate for the health needs of First Nations communities.
- Recognition received from peers and community members.

#### 2. Engagement and Collaboration (25%)

- Degree of engagement with First Nations communities.
- Collaborations with First Nations organisations or groups.
- Inclusive and respectful approach to community involvement.

### **3. Impact and Outcomes (30%)**

- Tangible improvements in health outcomes for First Nations communities.
- Success stories and testimonials from community members.
- Measurable impact of the initiatives led by the nominee.

### **4. Cultural Competence (20%)**

- Demonstrated understanding and respect for First Nations cultures.
- Integration of cultural knowledge into healthcare practices.
- Efforts to educate others about cultural competence.

## **Allied Health Research – Impact Award**

### **1. Research Quality and Rigor (30%)**

- Methodological soundness and innovation.
- Thoroughness and reliability of the research process.
- Peer-reviewed publications and citations.

### **2. Impact on Practice (30%)**

- Practical application of research findings in the field.
- Evidence of changes in clinical practice or policy.
- Adoption of research outcomes by health professionals.

### **3. Contribution to Knowledge (20%)**

- Advancements made in the allied health sciences.
- Filling of gaps in existing knowledge.
- Influence on future research directions.

### **4. Community and Stakeholder Engagement (20%)**

- Involvement of community and stakeholders in the research process.
- Dissemination of findings to relevant audiences.
- Impact on public awareness and understanding of health issues.