Research Team of the Year

The Research team of the year will be judged upon each applicant's 1000 word entry statement, and will be judged on the team's top 3 research projects between 2017 & 2019.

This award is open to all research teams in Irish healthcare services nationwide.

Please note that your document should be no more than 1000 words, which includes your 250 word summary. You may additionally include an appendix of 4 further pages of visuals or photos that you think may be relevant.

Heading	Details Required
1. Summary	In no more than 250 words, summarise why your research team deserves to win this award in 2019
2. Team Leadership	We encourage each applicant to provide information on team leaders and their proven results and why they were chosen for the position.
3. Background Story	Why was each research project conducted?
4. Research methods	Judges will want to hear how the team went about their research to come up with their findings, and how time management was implemented.
5. Positive impact	What positive impact the team's projects have had on patients, services, staff or day to day management.
6. Service User Feedback	Please give details of service user feedback to strengthen your application.

Essential tips for a successful entry

- A successful application must address all of the points above. Marks will be allocated only on the evidence provided.

- Use the above headings shown to highlight your answers to those specific questions.

- Include information on your exceptional successes during the year such as business systems, innovations or techniques that have reaped significant benefits. Concentrate on facts that can be substantiated.

- 4 extra pages (in addition to the original 1000 words) of charts and photographs, which are particularly important for the judges to be able to see your successes or innovations, can be included.

- Don't underestimate the presentation! – the better impression you make with the judges could improve your chances in a tight race. Please remember that ONLY THE FIRST 1000 words of core information (and the 4 pages of visuals/photographs of supporting material that you may have provided as an appendix) of your submission will be assessed.