

## **Introducing Difficult Airway Society Fellows**

The Difficult Airway Society is delighted to announce the Difficult Airway Society Fellow (DAS Fellow) award. This award recognises and rewards contributions of DAS members to the field of airway management, DAS and the specialty through education, research, clinical leadership and societal involvement. Recipients may use 'DAS Fellow' as a postnominal throughout the duration of DAS Membership. This competitive but exciting opportunity is designed to continue to support our members in their professional development, and we hope to see many emails with DAS Fellow postnominals in the future!

Closing date: 31 August 2025

## Criteria

- A DAS Member in good standing for >5 successive years before application
- Evidence of one or more of the following:
  - Involved in educational, teaching or mentoring activities with commitment to advancing the specialty and subspecialty, with evidence of success.
  - Contribution to innovation related to the specialty and subsecialty
  - o Successfully holding leadership positions related to airway management in their institution or region
  - o Conducted significant research and/or authorship of published works related to airway management (e.g. peer-reviewed publications; book chapters; books)
  - o Contribution to the Difficult Airway Society through Executive or wider Committee involvement
  - Contribution as a Local Organising Committee of a Difficult Airway Society Annual Scientific Meeting
  - Active contribution to production of Difficult Airway Society guidelines
  - Other contributions to the Society or the Specialty as deemed appropriate by the DAS Committee

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## **Application**

- Any DAS Member meeting the criteria may apply. They should:
  - Submit a letter of recommendation from two active DAS Members in good standing, neither
    of whom are applying in the same year, but who may or may not be current DAS Committee
    members, Difficult Airway Society Fellows, DAS Professors, or DAS Faculty of Professors.
  - Submit up-to-date curriculum vitae no longer than four pages in length
  - Submit a 500-word supporting statement demonstrating how they meet the criteria for the Difficult Airway Society Fellow award; and
  - Submit all documentation required by the stated deadline.

## **Nomination**

- DAS Members in good standing may nominate other members who fulfil the criteria for Difficult Airway Society Fellow. Proposers should:
  - Submit a letter of recommendation from two other active DAS Members in good standing, thus totalling three DAS Members supporting the nomination, none of whom are applying in the same year, but who may or may not be current DAS Committee members, Difficult Airway Society Fellow, DAS Professors, or DAS Faculty of Professors.
  - Submit a 500-word supporting statement demonstrating how the nominee meets the criteria for the Difficult Airway Society Fellow award; and
  - Submit all documentation required by the stated deadline.

Further information on this award, criteria and application process can be found here.