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Subject: Congratulations to our SoHS End-of-year HDR showcase winners

Dear HDR candidates and academic staff members,

Yesterday we were honoured to hear some brilliant research presentations from 43 HDR candidates in a series of 7-minute oral presentations and 3-minute rapid-fire presentations.

The quality of the presentations was first-class and a real credit to all the presenters and their efforts in explaining their current research.

Thank you to all presenters, and to the judges that kindly helped score the presentations throughout the day.

In the 7-minute oral presentations, the winners were as follows:

1st place - [Ed Leahy](#) - *Does online professional development for physiotherapists enhance clinical practice and patient outcomes? Progress report.*

2nd place - [Karen Hayes](#) - *How do occupational therapists practice in non-urban (regional, rural, or remote) areas in Australia?*

Most engaging presentations (tie) - [Dragana Cepnja](#) - *Physical activity in Australian women during pregnancy.*
[Rashmi Pithavadian](#) - *Health professionals' assessments to support women's help-seeking for vaginismus: A systematic review.*

In the 3-minute rapid-fire presentations, the winners were as follows:

1st place - [Zainab Al-Modhefer](#) - *Understanding factors of choice of footwear, as well as adherence and non-adherence of therapeutic and retail footwear in people with diabetes.*

2nd place - [Rusty Moran](#) - *The longer-term effect of surf therapy on PTSD, depression, and anxiety among Australian military veterans - A nonrandomised controlled longitudinal study in a community setting.*

Most engaging presentation - [Jamie Sherson](#) - *How can we enhance readiness to teach PDHPE in primary school? A qualitative examination involving NSW pre-service teachers.*

Certificates and gift cards will be sent to the winners above later this week.



Thanks again to all who participated and attended!

Kind regards,
SoHS HDR Team