

Larry J. Seidman Travel Award – 2020



Following his death in 2017 the board of the IEPA created the Larry Seidman Award to honour Dr. Lawrence J. Seidman, an eminent neuropsychologist and Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. In 2019 the Board decided to continue this award as the Larry Seidman Travel Award to help a clinician or clinical academic who supports mentoring attend the IEPA 12 Early Intervention in Mental Health Conference.

Dr. Seidman was a leader in the area of early intervention and prevention of serious mental illness. His work was instrumental in the development of innovative clinical services for early course psychotic disorder patients, as well as for those at clinical high risk for these illnesses in Massachusetts. He was an astute clinician, and a highly sought-after teacher and mentor. Scores of scientists and clinicians around the world owe their accomplishments to his tutelage. Many of his mentees are leading scientists, professors or department heads around the world.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. The applicant should be a current member of the IEPA as at 31st December, 2019.
2. The applicant should be within 5 years of completing their most recent degree or clinical training program and NOT yet holding a substantive senior clinical or academic position (e.g. not currently at full professorial or clinical consultant level).
3. We recognize that individuals may have started their training at different ages and/or had career breaks. As such, there is no fixed age range for applications.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Please note: your application will be rejected if it arrives after the deadline or it fails to meet the maximum document limit requirements.

To Apply:

Please submit your application via email to LSA2020@iepa.org.au by 30th March 2020.

The documentation should comprise of the following:

- A front sheet with your name, date of birth, postal and email addresses, and details of your IEPA membership (number/status)
- A **brief** statement of intent explaining why you are applying for the award, your career plans and how the award would help you towards this goal, and provide a brief description of your approach to mentoring and give examples of how you implement this in your practice. Please provide objective evidence and metrics where ever possible; this may duplicate evidence provided in the curriculum vitae, below. This document should be a **maximum** of 800 words.
- An up-to-date, **abridged** curriculum vitae (maximum of 3 pages; minimum font 11), this should include details of your qualifications, your current post, and a **list of up to 5 key achievements** (minimum=1; maximum=5) that highlights your work in early intervention e.g. evidence of your clinical expertise in the field; relevant publications on a topic related to early intervention
- A brief letter of support (maximum 350 words) from a sponsor who can attest to your work in early intervention.

Notification:

All applicants will be notified by 15th May, 2020.