

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Award Criteria

Introduction

The New Zealand Veterinary Association Te Pae Kīrehe (NZVA) recognises that certain individuals, or organisations, accomplish extraordinary achievements on behalf of the profession and as such need to be acknowledged. The Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Award was established in 2021.

Award Criteria

This award category is open to all veterinarians within New Zealand. The Award will recognise individuals or teams who;

- Show innovative approaches to reducing Antimicrobial Usage (AMU)
- Show successful implementation of an AMU reduction approach
- Actively show support of the NZVA 2030 Statement

Eligibility

Nominees are not required to be members of the NZVA.

Nominations

Nominations for the award will be called for annually with information advertised in VetNews and on the NZVA website. Nominators **must** be a member of the NZVA.

At a minimum each nomination must be accompanied with the following;

1. The name, email, telephone number of the nominator as well as your relationship to the nominee.
2. A cover letter with a brief statement outlining how the individual has demonstrated excellence through the above criterion.

Nominations may also be accompanied with the following;

1. Media articles written about the nominee (in pdf format or by web link).
2. Letters of support (maximum of 500 words in each).
3. Articles written by the nominee (in pdf format or by web link).

Nominees should **not** be made aware of their nomination, to avoid disappointment in the event that their nomination is unsuccessful.

Selection and Presentation

The Awards Committee of the NZVA will consult the AMR Committee who will make a recommendation on each nomination. The Committee's decision on who will receive awards is final and binding, and no correspondence will be entered into about the decision. The award is presented at an appropriate occasion chosen by the President.