NYSCHP | REF The New York State Council of Health-System Pharmacists
Research and Education Foundation

Excellence in Pharmacy Practice Research Award Application Scoring Rubric
Seymour and Elizabeth Katz Memorial Award

Submissions MUST be for Completed Research

Awarded to health-system practitioners conducting original research, which fosters interprofessional relationships and improves patient care through jointly conceived and implemented services.

	EXEMPLARY (10 PTS)	ADEQUATE (6 PTS)	Will not be considered for this award if the project is scored either of the below		SCORE
Katz Criteria **Must meet exemplary or adequate criteria to be considered**	Innovative project that involves collaboration with at least one additional professional discipline. Demonstrates improved patient outcomes through optimization of the medication use process, medication safety or pharmacy practice. Potential for generalizability to outside health-systems.	Well executed but concept is not unique. Collaboration is evident but roles are vague or not completely described. The concept has potential to benefit patient care but improved outcomes are not demonstrated due to sample size or other methodologic issues. May contribute to the overall body of knowledge or practice at institution where research performed	Collaboration is evident but the project provides incomplete or limited contribution to the medication use process, medication safety or pharmacy practice. Impact on patient outcomes is not evaluated or fails to demonstrate benefit.	Collaboration is questionable and/or there is no appreciable contribution to the medication use process, medication safety or pharmacy practice. Impact on patient outcomes is not evaluated or fails to demonstrate benefit.	

	EXEMPLARY (3 PTS)	ADEQUATE (2 PTS)	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT (1 PT)	MISSING (0 PTS)	SCORE
Introduction & Literature Review	Provides a clear and thorough background and introduction with sufficient supporting literature/references.	Provides a partial or incomplete background and introduction with partial supporting literature/references.	Provides a background and introduction that lacks relevance to the project and limited supporting literature/references.	Introduction and/or background not provided and no supporting literature/references.	
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Purpose and Objectives	The purpose of the work is clearly stated and supported by the background discussion. Presents rationale and significance of the proposed project in a well-structured, logical scientific argument.	The purpose is clearly stated but is not completely supported by the background provided. Arguments for rationale and significance of the proposed work are present but are not robust.	The purpose of the project is vague and/or confusing. Arguments made for the rationale and significance of the proposed work are in the form of a weak and unstructured scientific argument and are not completely supported	There is no clear research question that is posed. The rationale and significance of proposed work is not articulated nor is it supported	
Comments					

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Methodology (Max points = 9)	Research objectives/outcomes are clearly stated and directly related to the purpose of the project	Research objectives are clearly stated but are not entirely related to the purpose of the project	Research objectives are vague, or not related to the purpose.	Explanation of experimental methods are missing and/or there is no clearly defined research objective	
	All of the following are well described: Study design, inclusion/exclusion criteria, definitions, and data collection	Three of the four are well described: Study design, inclusion/exclusion criteria, definitions, and data collection	Two of the four are well described: Study design, inclusion/exclusion criteria, definitions, and data collection	One to none of the following are well described: Study design, inclusion/exclusion criteria, definitions, and data collection	
	Statistical analyses are clearly described and are appropriate for the data described including the statistical analyses platform/software	Statistical analyses are partially described, but are the appropriate tests for the data described. Statistical analyses platform/software may or may not be included	Statistical analyses are described, but are the inappropriate tests for the data described. Statistical analyses platform/software may or may not be included	Statistical analyses are not provided nor are the statistical analyses platform/software.	

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	EXEMPLARY (3 PTS)	ADEQUATE (2 PTS)	NEEDS IMPROVEMENT (1 PT)	MISSING (0 PTS)	SCORE
Results and Discussion	Results and interpretation of data described and presented in final format. Impact of results and external validity are described. Strengths and limitations described. Conclusions support the project results.	Some minor data collection and analysis remains to be completed; strengths, limitations, or external validity not described thoroughly. Conclusion are partially supported by the project results.	Significant data collection and analysis remains to be completed; or statistical analysis, strengths, limitations, or external validity poorly described. Conclusions are not supported by the project results	Results are incomplete or do not match project methods. Data analysis has major flaws. Conclusions are not supported by the analysis.	

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	TOTAL SCORE
Point deductions for spelling and grammatical errors: 2 – 4 minus 2 points; 5 or more minus 3 points	

ID Number_____

Brief Title:_____

Reviewer:_____   **TOTAL SCORE (MAX SCORE = 28)**   **Rev 11-2025**