

**Call for submissions**  
**Annual Academic Sessions – June 2026**  
**Sri Lanka College of Psychiatrists**  
**D V J Harischandra Gold Medal for the Outstanding Regional Psychiatrist**  
**of the Year 2026**



- Open to consultant psychiatrists serving in regional hospitals in Sri Lanka.
- Psychiatrists working in the following main teaching hospitals are not eligible to apply: National Hospital of Sri Lanka Colombo, National Institute of Mental Health Angoda, National Hospital Kandy, Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children, Colombo South Teaching Hospital, Colombo North Teaching Hospital, Teaching Hospital Peradeniya, Sirimavo Bandaranaike Children's hospital Peradeniya, Teaching Hospital Karapitiya.
- The applicant should have completed at least one year in the station by 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026.
- Previous winners will not be eligible to apply for three years after winning the award.
- A report outlining the work carried out by the applicant in the provision and development of mental health services should be submitted as a PDF file.
- Maximum word count 1500 words. Photographs and web links of activities can be included.
- Covering letter should give the name, designation, and contact details of the applicant.
- Applicants shortlisted for the award will be required to make a short presentation to the panel of judges.
- Please email the report and the cover letter to [contactslcpsych@gmail.com](mailto:contactslcpsych@gmail.com) AND [Psychiatryslj@gmail.com](mailto:Psychiatryslj@gmail.com)
- Please state “Regional Psychiatrist of the Year” as the subject of the email.
- Authors should be MEMBERS of the Sri Lanka College of Psychiatrists if they are eligible for membership. If you are not already a member, please become a member before forwarding your application.
- The decision of the panel of judges will be final.

**The deadline for submissions is 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026**