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TWO RECENT GRADUATES AWARDED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PRIZE

Two recent graduates will share in \$5,000 worth of financial support and access world-class teaching to further develop their dentistry careers.

Griffith-based dentist Dr Anna-Lise Phoebe and Dapto-based dentist Dr Laurence Doan are joint recipients of the 2019 ADA NSW BOQ Specialist Recent Graduate Bursary. Now in its second year, the bursary supports the career growth and development of a young dentist.

Both bursary recipients demonstrated an unwavering commitment to high-quality ongoing professional commitment and receive \$2,500 each to put towards career development training within the ADA NSW Centre for Professional Development - a cutting edge facility at St Leonards.

Dr Phoebe graduated from Charles Sturt University in 2016 and now practices in her home town of Griffith. She impressed the judges with her commitment to professional development and long term vision to serve the community as a rural dentist.

Dr Doan is a recent 2017 graduate of dentistry and now practices at Brighter Smiles Dapto Dental. He has greatly appreciated being mentored by the initial owner of the practice and would like to pass his knowledge and passion on to mentor others in future.

ADA NSW President Dr Neil Peppitt said the quality of this year's applicants was outstanding though these two joint recipients stood out for their exceptional commitment to professional development that had been undertaken and their vision.

"Both recipients demonstrated a clear path in their applications as to how the bursary will advance their careers as young dentists," Dr Peppitt said.

"We are committed to providing high quality continuing professional development for our members and this will help develop the professional and clinical skills for a dentist of tomorrow."

ADA NSW and BOQ Specialist have had a longstanding relationship supporting the dental profession with the scheme continuing to grow in popularity.

BOQ Specialist CEO Hugh Lander said: "We are proud to partner once again with the ADA NSW to recognise two outstanding recipients in Dr Phoebe and Dr Doan. The bursary not only marks the strength of our partnership, but our organisations' commitment to supporting the next generation of dentists."

"Having worked closely with dentists for over 25 years, we understand the importance of professional development and the benefits and opportunities that this brings to both practices and their patients. We congratulate Dr Phoebe and Dr Doan for their exemplary dedication to continuous education and their focus on delivering the highest quality care to their patients,"

The joint recipients will receive their prizes at the ADA NSW Gala Charity Winter Ball in front of hundreds at Doltone House in Sydney on Friday 9 August.

About: ADA NSW is the peak body representing dentists and dental students in NSW and the ACT, with 4,500 members. We have been supporting dentists and promoting good oral health in the community since 1929.

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