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Australian Association of Gerontology (AAG)  
Northern Territory Division



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**NEWSLETTER**

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**The 58<sup>th</sup> AAG Conference - "Ageing at the Centre"**  
**11-14<sup>th</sup> November 2025, Alice Springs, Northern Territory.**



[www.aagconference.asn.au/program/speakers](http://www.aagconference.asn.au/program/speakers)

come and hear invited speakers

***Aimee Spector: professor of clinical psychology of ageing at university college London (UCL)***

***Sarah Brown: AM – CEO of Purple House***

***Dr Michael Lowe: Geriatrician NT Health***

**+ many local, interstate and international programs - during concurrent sessions representing- research, practical innovation and opportunities for us to learn and grow in our care for our senior Territorians**

**AAG NT Division BURSARY**

**contribution of \$500 to support attendance at the 2025 AAG conference**

**SELECTION CRITERIA ~ Current AAG membership ~ Current enrolment in a field of study directly related to ageing, aged care or gerontology OR current employment in the field of aged care ~ A demonstrated interest in issues of ageing and career aspirations relating to ageing, aged care or gerontology**

Describe in 250 words or less why you should receive this bursary, how it will benefit you and your future career and how you meet the selection criteria

Applications must be received by 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025 to [mary.ingram@nt.gov.au](mailto:mary.ingram@nt.gov.au) or [judy.ratajec@nt.gov.au](mailto:judy.ratajec@nt.gov.au)



**NEWSLETTER**

**AAG NT Division -  
Invites nominations for Outstanding Contribution to Gerontology in the NT -  
Aged Care Worker Award 2025**

The Australian Association of Gerontology (AAG) NT Division is offering a prize of \$500 and complimentary membership of AAG for the following year.

Nominations are invited from AAG members, members of the public and the aged care sector to recognise an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to Aged Care in the Northern Territory.

Examples of criteria for nomination include:

- Sustained and significant contribution to the study of ageing and/or aged care in the Northern Territory
- Outstanding contribution in the practice of aged care (roles can include coordination, managerial, training and caring)
- Significant contribution to quality aged care service provision and advocacy
- Enhancing understanding of the particular needs of older people in the NT (for example Indigenous, rural and remote, ethnic groups)
- Significant contribution to a positive public perception of ageing in the NT

When nominating please address one of the above criteria in a short letter or email to NT AAG Division by:  
**3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025** - [judy.ratajec@nt.gov.au](mailto:judy.ratajec@nt.gov.au) or [mary.ingrames@nt.gov.au](mailto:mary.ingrames@nt.gov.au)

Please include name and contact details of person being nominated, nominator and seconder

*Congratulations!*



**Judy Ratajec**

Chair - NT AAG

For winning the **NT Administrator's  
Medal for Lifetime Achievement**  
NT Nursing Midwifery Excellence Awards  
2025

And Taryn Carson

Recipient of the aged care nurse of the year award  
2025

Wadeye Aged Care TDC



**For all you do for aged care in the NT**