

**PHILIPPINE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS
COMMITTEE ON SURGICAL INVENTIONS AND INNOVATIONS**

1st ANNUAL INVENTIONS COMPETITION

I. Objectives

1. To recognize Filipino physicians with existing innovations, inventions and creative designs that will contribute to surgical practice.
2. To provide a common venue for submission of inventions, innovative and creative designs from potential inventors.

II. Categories

1. Innovation Category
2. Invention Category
3. Creative Design Category

III. Eligibility

1. The contest is open to all Filipino physicians with existing invention, innovations or creative designs that may help in the surgical practice in the Philippines.
2. Inventions, innovations or creative designs that have won in previous inventions and design contest(s) shall no longer be eligible to join.
3. All contestants must sign the entry form, waivers and other documents.

IV. Categories

1. Invention – a new device, tool, equipment that will help surgical practice in the Philippines
2. Innovation – a modification of an existing device, tool, equipment that will help surgical practice in the Philippines
3. Creative design – a new concept or design for a device or instrument that may help surgical practice in the Philippines.

V. Contest Requirements and Mechanics

1. Contestants are required to submit the following to the Committee on Surgical Innovations and Inventions not later than **SEPTEMBER 15, 2011.**
 - 1.1. Five (5) copies of the completely filled-up Entry & Waiver form including:
 - 1.1.1. Entry & Waiver Form – Annex 1
 - 1.1.2. Certification (Duly notarized)
 - 1.2. Five (5) copies of one (1) page abstract, description/drawings, pictures, certificates for the Creative Design Category entry; video or documentary materials for existing inventions and innovations.
2. Contestants must submit their duly accomplished entries to the Committee on Surgical Innovation and Invention. The Committee will pre-screen the entries based on compliance to the requirements and criteria.
3. All documents submitted are subject to final examination by the Board of Judges
4. Contestants shall certify that their work is their own and that to the best of their knowledge, it is new and original.
5. Contestants may be required to provide additional information to the Judges in order to facilitate the evaluation of their entries during the contest proper.
6. Qualified contestants may be asked to display their official entry. Due to space limitation, the Committee has the prerogative to select which entries are for exhibition/display.

7. Qualified contestants may be required to install their working models/products/exhibit materials at the contest site on the prescribed schedule of the organizers on the specified date of Ingress as announced by the committee on Surgical Innovation and Invention.
8. All exhibit materials should be moved out on the specified date of Egress after the closing ceremonies. Organizers shall not be liable to any losses/damages to the working models/products/exhibit materials. All contestants shall be responsible in manning/supervising their respective exhibits at all times.

VI. Judging and Criteria

1. Judging shall be based on the following:

- 1.1. Outstanding Invention

Degree of inventiveness/ingenuity	30%
Readiness of Commercialization/ Degree of Development	30%
Practical applicability	30%
Presentation & Demonstration	10%
TOTAL	100%

- 1.2. Outstanding Innovation

Degree of inventiveness/ingenuity	30%
Readiness of Commercialization/ Degree of Development	30%
Practical applicability	30%
Presentation & Demonstration	10%
TOTAL	100%

- 1.3. Outstanding Creative Design Category

Originality and Creativity	40%
Usefulness	30%
Market Potential	20%
Presentation & Demonstration	10%
TOTAL	100%

2. Final judging will be held at the contest site on December 4, 2011 at the EDSA Shangri-La Hotel. The Board of Judges has the right to declare no qualifier it deems that there is no deserving entry in the category.
3. The decision of the Board of Judges shall be final and unappealable. The scorecards or rating sheets are considered personal notes of the Board of Judges and are not for public scrutiny and any part of it shall not be given to any contestant or requesting party.
4. Contestants or their duly designated representative shall agree to the immunity of the members of the Board of Judges, PCS and their employees from any legal suit that may arise from or relative to the conduct, results, etc. of the contest by signing the corresponding waiver form (Annex 2). No entry shall be considered officially entered in the contest unless the contestant and his/her witnesses have signed the waiver and submitted the signed waiver to the PCS- CSII.

VII. Announcement/Award of Prizes

There shall be one (1) winner for each category. Certificates will be awarded to all finalists. The winners will be announced during the PCS Annual Dinner & Induction on December 6, 2011 at the Edsa Shangri-La Hotel.