



## **Media Release**

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### **‘Now more than ever we need to recognise our top achievers in pharmacy’**

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This is the sentiment of the 2019 Pharmacy Assistant of the Year (PATY) Award Winner, Brianne Lowe, about this year’s ‘Virtual PATY’.

The award, which in 2020 is being contested entirely online, allows outstanding pharmacy assistants to showcase their frontline leadership, knowledge and skills, particularly during the coronavirus pandemic.

“Pharmacy assistants have certainly demonstrated their resilience in recent times, working through floods, fires and the coronavirus pandemic and proving the vital role they play in healthcare,” Brianne said.

“Although the coronavirus pandemic means that we will be moving the awards online, this isn’t going to stop us from recognising and celebrating our passionate pharmacy assistants who are working on the frontline.”

This year’s award features a People’s Choice Video Award, where the top five shortlisted videos showcasing how the nominee’s pharmacy has supported customers during the COVID-19 pandemic will be open to public voting. The winner will receive a complimentary APP2021 registration and three nights’ accommodation at The Star Gold Coast.

‘Virtual PATY’ is now open to all Australian pharmacy assistants with a minimum of two years’ industry experience. Prizes include \$5,000 cash and a Guild Training course for the National Winner.

Nominate yourself or an outstanding pharmacy assistant that you know at [www.pharmacyassistants.com/paty](http://www.pharmacyassistants.com/paty). Third party nominations close on 17 August, with self-nominations and responses closing on 7 September.

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