

CPA ENID GRAHAM MEMORIAL LECTURE AWARD

PHILOSOPHY

The Enid Graham Memorial Lecture is the most prestigious award that the Canadian Physiotherapy Association can bestow upon a Canadian Physiotherapy Association member.

The profession believes that:

- Professional leadership should be fostered and supported by the Association and the profession by recognizing outstanding contributions.
- A physiotherapist who promotes the profession locally and nationally is a highly valued member of the profession.
- A physiotherapist who is notably involved in professional activities provides other physiotherapists with the essential role model of professional behaviours and practice.

(Nominations may be submitted in English or French)

HISTORY

The Enid Graham Memorial Lecture was established in 1980 to honour Enid Graham. She was a founder of the Canadian Association of Massage and Medical Gymnastics (later the Canadian Physiotherapy Association) and a leader in early years of the Association. Helen Gault presented the inaugural lecture in 1981.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Enid Graham Memorial Lecture is to honour a member of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association who has provided outstanding leadership and made a distinguished contribution to the profession.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The candidate's peers must recognize the individual as being a leader committed to the promotion of the physiotherapy profession. The nominee shall have contributed significantly to the profession at a national level over a period of at least ten years. They must have influenced the growth of the profession in two or more of the following areas: clinical practice, leadership, education, research or administration.

The individual's qualifications and experience may include, but are not limited to:

- development of new and innovative directions for the profession
- promotion and perpetuation of excellence in the profession
- positive influence of others toward higher levels of achievement and/or attainment of professional goals
- influence on the growth of the profession



- demonstrated quality of leadership and professional contribution
- demonstrated ability to present a noteworthy lecture

ELIGIBILITY

The individual must be a physiotherapist with a current CPA membership.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATE

The CPA Awards Committee will select the recipient.

PRESENTATION

One award will be presented at the Enid Graham Memorial Lecture at Congress. The CPA President or past President will be invited to present the Award. The Primary Nominator will be acknowledged in the President's opening remarks.

In a year where Congress is not occurring, the CPA, along with the CPA Awards Committee, has determined that the award will not be given out. This distinguished award should be celebrated in the context of a Congress event where a keynote lecture presentation is included.

FORM OF AWARD

- The honour of presenting the 45-minute Enid Graham Memorial Lecture at CPA Congress
- A framed certificate
- Enid Graham Memorial pin
- Congress registration, travel, and accommodation expenses up to \$2,000.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations may be made by a member of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association (CPA) or by a component of the Association (Specialty Division of the CPA, Provincial/Territorial Branch of the CPA). All nominations will be kept confidential between all nominators and the Awards Committee. Enid Graham nominees who did not win can be carried over for the following awards cycle, if their primary nominators so desire.

The nominations must include:

1. A curriculum vitae of the nominee.
2. One of the nominators identified as the primary nominator.
3. At least three but not more than five letters of recommendation/support, none of which shall exceed four pages. At least two letters of recommendation will be from a CPA member physiotherapist.



4. Each letter must outline the uniqueness of the individual and how they meet one or more of the criteria for the award.
5. The letters must provide supporting evidence of the leadership qualities of the candidate in order for them to be successful in the nomination process.

NOTIFICATION

The CPA President will be requested to call the recipient, to inform them that they have received this award. The CPA President will let the primary nominator know that their nominee received the award.

