



Canadian
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ENID GRAHAM MEMORIAL LECTURE AWARD

**The CPA awards program runs on a biennial basis, aligning with CPA Congress (even years). Only the Helen Saarinen Rahikka Student Leadership Award will be open for nominations during non-Congress (odd) years.*

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 behaviors 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 founder of the Canadian Association of Massage and Remedial 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. He/she 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 Award Committee will select the recipient.

PRESENTATION

One award will be presented at the Enid Graham Memorial Lecture Reception at Congress.

FORM OF AWARD

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

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

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 nominator(s) and the Awards Committee.

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 he/she meets 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 him/ her to be successful in the nomination process.

To facilitate writing the letters please refer to the following criteria that will be used by the Awards Committee to evaluate the strength of each individual nominated.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations must be submitted to CPA Head Office, typically by mid-October for the following award year. Once the winner has been determined, the CPA President will contact the successful nominee and invite him/her to present the lecture at CPA Congress. When the nominee has accepted the award, an announcement will be made in CPA's publications along with a short biographical sketch. National Office will be notified as soon as the award has been accepted in order to make the arrangements with the nominee, include information in the Congress program and publicize the award. Should the person selected be unable to present the lecture, a person selected by the recipient may read the lecture on behalf of the honoured member.