POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR THE HENRY O AND FLORENCE P KENDALL PRACTICE AWARD BOD Y06-08-02-02
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History

In 1976, the Henry O. Kendall and Florence P. Kendall Award for Outstanding Achievement in Clinical Practice were established by the Maryland Chapter to recognize excellence in clinical practice. In 1980, the award gained national recognition through Anna Kendall Nading's gift to the Foundation for Physical Therapy in honor of her brother Henry and his wife Florence. In 1981, the first national award recipient was recognized during the Association's annual awards Recognition Luncheon. Between 1980 and 1992, the award was administered by the Maryland Chapter and the Foundation for Physical Therapy, which provided for the continued recognition of an award recipient at the national level. In November 1992, APTA’s Board of Directors adopted the Kendall Award criteria as the Association's first award dedicated to clinical practice, and named it the Henry O. and Florence P. Kendall Practice Award.

The award is named in honor of Henry O. Kendall (deceased 1979) and Florence P. Kendall (deceased 2006). The Kendalls were outstanding physical therapist clinicians in Maryland for more than 50 years. They shared their expertise with their colleagues and the public through their many publications, films, and workshops on muscle testing and posture, and through their advocacy of proper measurements and exercise regimens for physical fitness. Both Kendalls served the Maryland Chapter of APTA as President and in other offices and/or committee chairmanships, and each has served as a member of the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners. The Kendalls' example of clinical excellence and service to their profession has truly been an inspiration to their colleagues.

Purpose

To acknowledge an individual who has made outstanding and enduring contributions to the practice of physical therapy as exemplified in the professional careers of Henry O. and Florence P. Kendall.

In addition to the information provided in the APTA Board of Directors’ Policy and Procedures Regarding APTA Honors and Awards, the following criteria apply to this award:

Criteria for Eligibility

Nominees must have:

1. Engaged in extensive clinical practice for at least 15 years.

2. Positively and substantially affected the shape, scope, and quality of physical therapy practice.

3. Had an impact on other physical therapists in a manner that has significantly increased their abilities to practice physical therapy.

4. Contributed to the overall and widespread development of physical therapy as a caring profession.

5. Demonstrated contributions to the Association.
6. Current members of the APTA Board of Directors and members of the APTA Awards Committee - Practice and Service Awards Subcommittee are not eligible to be nominated for this award and shall not nominate, write letters of support, or endorse an individual for this award.

Criteria for Selection

1. Duration of clinical practice.

2. Effect on shape, scope, and quality of physical therapy practice.

3. Effect on other physical therapists' ability to practice.

4. Effect on the development of physical therapy as a caring profession.

5. Quality and quantity of contributions to the Association.

Procedure for Nomination

1. Nominations must be submitted electronically via APTA’s website (www.apta.org). All materials completed and submitted for each nomination must be received by the APTA Honors and Awards Program by 5:00 pm Eastern time on December 1, for consideration for the award.

2. The nominator is responsible for reviewing and ensuring the completion of all steps and compliance with the eligibility criteria within the online nomination submission process before its final submission. During the online process, the following documents will be required for upload:

   A. Current curriculum vitae or resume of the nominee.

   B. A letter of nomination (from the nominator) that specifically focuses on the strengths of the nominee in relation to the award criteria, not to exceed 3 pages. Two (2) letters of support, not to exceed 2 pages each, obtained from individuals upon whom the nominee has had an impact, which specifically address one or more of the criterion for selection.

Notification of Award

1. The award recipient and nominator will be notified promptly after selection by APTA’s Board of Directors.

2. The nominators of individuals not selected will receive a letter thanking them for their participation.

Nature of Award

A plaque will be presented to the awardee and a $500 contribution in honor of the recipient will be sent to a charitable or educational institution or an established scientific or literary project selected by the recipient. The award will be presented by APTA’s Board of Directors at the NEXT Conference and Exposition and an official announcement will appear in an Association publication.

(Member Services Dept., ext 8082)
Explanation of Reference Numbers:
BOD P00-00-00-00 stands for Board of Directors/month/year/page/vote in the Board of Directors Minutes; the "P" indicates that it is a position (see below). For example, BOD P11-97-06-18 means that this position can be found in the November 1997 Board of Directors minutes on Page 6 and that it was Vote 18.