

Award for Innovative Practice

This award has been established to recognize and honour the exceptional contributions of an individual occupational therapist who has shown innovation and leadership in clinical practice. A maximum of three (3) awards may be granted each year. Nominations for this Award will be considered annually but the Award will be made only when recognition is merited in accordance with stated criteria. Nominators whose nomination is unsuccessful in a particular year may allow the nomination to stand for a maximum of three successive years.

Criteria for selection

Nominations must meet the following criteria:

1. Nominees shall be individual or life members of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists.
2. Nominees shall have demonstrated exceptional leadership and innovation in the application of evidence-based principles of occupational therapy to clinical practice.
3. The contributions of the nominees will relate to, but not be limited to, one or more of the following clinical areas:
 - client service
 - consumer advocacy
 - policy development
 - community development
 - education and/or fieldwork
4. The contributions of the nominees shall have had a positive impact on clients, the community and/or the advancement of occupational therapy clinical practice.
5. Nominees must not be a current Board member or employee of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists.
6. Nominees need not be a resident in Canada if the achievements for which they are nominated have relevance to Canadian occupational therapy and they meet the other criteria for the award.



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