

Award for Leadership in Occupational Therapy

This award has been established to recognize and honour the exceptional contributions of an individual occupational therapist who has been in the forefront of activities which provide strategic leadership and direction for developing the profession. Only one (1) award will 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 be providing, or have provided, exceptional contributions with national implications to leadership of the profession of occupational therapy in one or more of the following areas:
 - clinical activities
 - education
 - administration
 - legal and ethical practice
 - government policy
 - health and wellness
 - community development
 - prevention
 - delivery of health and social services
 - research which advances occupational therapy by affecting policy, education, clinical practice, etc.
3. Nominees must not be a current Board member or employee of the Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists.
4. 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.