

## **Academy of Physical Therapy Education Awards**

### **\$2,500 Adopt-A-Doc Scholarship Award**

The Academy of Physical Therapy Education Adopt-A-Doc program seeks to increase the number of doctorally prepared faculty teaching in PT and PTA education programs by providing financial support to current or former PT or PTA faculty members who are in the dissertation phase of their doctoral programs.

Award: It will include a \$2,500 award to offset tuition or doctoral research costs and reimbursement of Academy membership dues. The award presentation will be made at the Combined Section Meeting. Award recipients must plan to work in a PT or PTA education program following graduation.

Eligibility Criteria: (1) Member of the Academy, (2) Current or former faculty member within a PT or PTA education program, (3) Doctoral candidate with an approved dissertation proposal.

Application Procedure: Assemble the application information, in order, as noted below. Submit one combined PDF packet to [apte@apta.org](mailto:apte@apta.org).

Applications must be received on or before October 15.

#### Application Information:

1. Signed application letter, which must include the following information:
  - a. Name, mailing address, telephone number(s), e-mail address, APTA membership number and dates of Academy membership.
  - b. Name of institution in which enrolled
  - c. Description of doctoral program
  - d. Anticipated date of completion of doctoral education
  - e. Description of teaching experience (didactic, clinical, continuing education)
  - f. Career goals related to PT or PTA education
  
2. One-page itemized budget request. Allowable award expenditures include tuition, equipment, supplies, printing, fees, software, statistical

consultation, subject honoraria, travel related to research. Note the amount and sources of other funding received during the course of doctoral study. Personal expenses and association dues are not eligible for funding.

3. Curriculum vitae

4. Verification of doctoral candidacy status

5. Abstract of approved doctoral dissertation proposal (additional documentation of approval is needed if the committee signature is not included on the abstract).

6. Letters of recommendation from dissertation advisor and from PT or PTA program director at the program with which the applicant has been associated.

### **Award for Leadership in Education**

The Award for Leadership in Education is the highest honor given by the Academy of Physical Therapy Education. Criteria for receipt of the award include:

1. The recipient will be an Academy member who has exhibited outstanding leadership throughout his or her career as shown by contributions to physical therapy education in at least 3 of the 4 following areas: scholarship, teaching, administration, or service.

2. The activities of the recipient will have reflected substantial credit on physical therapy or physical therapy education.

3. The actions of the recipient will have reflected substantial credit on physical therapy. Physical therapy education, and the APTA.

4. The recipient will be a nationally prominent educator who will be widely recognized as a leader in physical therapy education.

Individuals who are current members of the Academy of Physical Therapy Education Awards Committee, the Academy of Physical Therapy Education Board of Directors, the APTA Board of Directors, or

APTA Staff are not eligible for this award and may not participate in the nomination process.

Nomination Procedure:

1. The nomination packet must be received in the Academy of Physical Therapy Education office by October 15. Email the combined PDF packet to [apte@apta.org](mailto:apte@apta.org).

2. Nomination packets must include:

a. Written nomination letter addressing the nominee's contributions as a leader in physical therapy education. The letter should carefully document the ways in which the nominee fulfills the criteria noted above.

b. Formal resume or curriculum vitae which includes biographical information pertaining to major professional activities and accomplishments of the nominee.

c. Five support letters from Association members, at least three of which are from Academy members. These letters should support the nomination letter by providing a personal account of the nominee's work in at least one of the areas (teaching, scholarship, administration, or service) specified in the criteria listed above.

Any additional materials that accompany the nomination will not be forwarded to the Awards Committee.

\* Please note that this award does not have to be given annually. Nominees not selected for the award will not automatically be considered in successive years.

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### **Cerasoli Lecture**

Recipients of the lectureship have distinguished themselves, as Cerasoli did, as esteemed educators, administrators, practitioners, and mentors. Cerasoli's family directed that proceeds from the Pauline Cerasoli Fund, originally created to support the family, be used instead to fund the annual lecture.

Criteria:

Nominees for the award must:

1. Be physical therapists who are active members of the APTA and the Education Section.
2. Have made distinguished contributions to the profession of physical therapy in the area of education.

Criteria for Selection:

The distinction of a nominee's contributions to the profession of physical therapy will be judged on the basis of:

1. Leadership role in the academy of higher education;

2. Service to the profession in various capacities;
3. Vision and insight regarding the profession of physical therapy and the implications for the future of physical therapy education;
4. High regard from peers;
5. Ability to present a compelling lecture at acceptance of award

Nomination Procedure:

1. Send ONE PDF file of the nomination packet by email to [apte@apta.org](mailto:apte@apta.org). The nomination packet must be received in the Education Section office by October 15, 5 pm Eastern Time.
2. Nomination packets must include:
  1. A Letter of nomination from an APTA member that addresses the award criteria and criteria for selection.
  2. A formal resume or curriculum vitae of the nominee which includes biographical information pertaining to major professional activities and accomplishments of the nominee.
  3. 4 additional letters of support, from APTA members, that specifically focus on the strengths of the nominee in relation to the award criteria must be submitted with the nomination packet.
3. If a nominee was not selected for the award, the nominator may resubmit the same nomination packet one time only in the following calendar year with the option of updating supporting documents.

Individuals who are current members of the Education Section Board of Directors, the APTA Board of Directors, or APTA Staff are not eligible for the award and may not participate in the nomination process.

### **Distinguished Educator in Physical Therapy Award**

The Distinguished Educator in Physical Therapy Award is to be given to recognize excellence in teaching. Criteria for the receipt of the award include.

1. Each recipient will be an Academy member who is currently engaged in physical therapy education.
2. Each recipient will have distinguished himself or herself through excellence in academic or clinical education in physical therapy at the national, regional, or local level.
3. Each recipient will have distinguished himself or herself in a subject matter area as evidenced by publications or other appropriate demonstrations.
4. Each recipient will have extended education by developing innovative teaching methodologies or materials.

When more than one individual has been involved in a cooperative activity or project that demonstrates excellence in teaching, a joint nomination of all individuals who meet the criteria may be made.

Individuals who are current members of the Academy of Physical Therapy Education Board of Directors, the APTA Board of Directors, or APTA Staff

are not eligible for the award and may not participate in the nomination process.

**Nomination Procedure:**

1. The nomination packet must be received in the Academy of Physical Therapy Education office by October 15. Email the combined PDF packet to [apte@apta.org](mailto:apte@apta.org).

2. Nomination packets must be in writing and shall include:

a. Written nomination letter addressing the characteristics that distinguish the nominee or nominees. The letter should carefully document the ways in which the nominee(s) fulfill(s) the criteria noted above.

b. A formal resume or curriculum vitae of the each nominee which includes biographical information pertaining to major professional activities and accomplishments of each nominee.

c. Three support letters from Association members, at least two of which are from Academy members. These letters should support the nomination letter by providing a personal account of the teaching activities that distinguish the nominee(s).

Any additional materials that accompany the nomination will not be forwarded to the Awards Committee.

\* Please note that this award does not have to be given annually. Nominees not selected for the award will not automatically be considered in successive years.

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## **Linda Crane Memorial Lecture Award**

### History

Dr. Linda Crane was a dedicated member of the profession of physical therapy since 1970, and was someone who helped to create a significant part of the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section's history. She was one of the first three APTA board certified clinical specialists in cardiopulmonary physical therapy (awarded in 1985), and was awarded the Lucy Blair Service Award for distinguished service to the profession in 1992. In the early years of the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section she served as Program Chair, Chairman of the Section (1982-86), and Delegate to the House of Delegates.

Linda's clinical practice specialty was in the area of pediatric cardiopulmonary physical therapy, and her dissertation for her doctoral degree in Exercise Physiology was entitled "The relationship of degree of kyphosis, bone density and activity history to pulmonary function in postmenopausal women with osteopenia."

Dr. Crane was a dedicated educator as well, and served on the faculties of University of Connecticut, University of Alabama at Birmingham, University of New England, and the University of Miami. Her efforts in the area of education are best known and recognized for the document "Entry Level Competencies in Cardiopulmonary Physical Therapy."

Dr. Linda Crane died on March 24, 1999 after a lengthy battle with metastatic breast cancer.

### Purpose

To acknowledge an individual who has made outstanding and enduring contributions to the practice of physical therapy as exemplified in the professional career of Linda Crane.

### Eligibility

Nominees for the award must:

1. be a member of the APTA;
2. be a member of the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary, Academy of Physical Therapy Education, or Pediatrics Section;
3. have demonstrated excellence/expertise in either clinical practice, academic practice, or in area of research;
4. have demonstrated contributions to the Association through State, Section, Academy, or National involvement; and
5. NOT be a member of the Awards Committee. Members of the Awards Committee are responsible for reviewing nominations, recommending recipients, or awarding an award are not eligible for nomination or consideration for this award.

### Procedure for Nomination

1. Nominations may be submitted by physical therapists or physical therapist assistants, but the nominee must be a member of one of the two sections or Academy: Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section, Academy of Physical Therapy Education, or Pediatrics Sections.
2. Nominations must be submitted on appropriate forms (that will be made available through the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section, Academy of Physical Therapy Education, and Pediatrics Sections' journals and/or Web sites). Once the nomination form is received by the committee, the committee will send the nominee a letter notifying the person they have been nominated. The nominee sends to the committee:
  - a. a recent curriculum vitae,
  - b. the names and addresses of at least 2 colleagues that the committee might contact for a reference, and
  - c. possible topics they would consider presenting if selected for this award.

### Criteria for Selection

1. Quality and quantity of contributions to the association.
2. Quality and quantity of contributions to one of the 2 Sections or Academy: Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section, Academy of Physical Therapy Education, or Pediatrics Section.
3. Effect on shape, scope, and quality of physical therapy practice in cardiovascular, pulmonary, education, or pediatrics.
4. Effect on other physical therapists' ability to practice.

### Procedure for Review

1. Awards Committee will review the nominations and recommend a recipient to the Executive Board of the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section for final approval by the CSM meeting, one year prior to the CSM the individual will be giving the honorary lecture.
2. Decision of the Executive Board pertaining to selection of the awardee will be final and reasons for decision will not be disclosed.
3. The committee to review the nominations and recommend a recipient shall consist of the Vice President (who will act as Chair of the Committee), the Chair of the Nominating Committee, and the previous recipient. The committee will add one or two more members in the future who would be representatives from Pediatrics Section and Academy of Physical Therapy Education when nominees exist from this Section and Academy.

### Notification of Award

The recipient of the award will be notified by the President of the Section or Academy following final approval of the Executive Board of the Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section, prior to the CSM meeting, and the recipient will be announced following the presentation of the Lecture that same meeting.

The responsibilities of the individual receiving the award will be written in a letter and mailed to the individual following the CSM that the individual is announced as the next Lecturer. The responsibilities include providing a one hour lecture and writing the speech as an article for the Journal. The lecture topic will be the decision of the individual receiving the Award, keeping in mind any theme for the upcoming CSM and the "Spirit of the Award."

### Nature of Award

1. The recipient will receive a commemorative plaque which will be presented at the lecture ceremony.
2. The Linda Crane Lecture speech (or developed into an article) will be published in the Cardiopulmonary Physical Therapy Journal immediately following the lecture.

## **LINDA CRANE AWARD NOMINATION FORM**

Name of Nominee:

Section or Academy membership of nominee  
(Pediatrics/Education/Cardiovascular and Pulmonary):

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability. The criteria for nomination involve the answers to the following questions. If you need more space to answer the questions, please attach additional paper upon submission.

1. Please discuss briefly the nominee's contributions to one (or more) of the following Sections and Academy: Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section, Academy of Physical Therapy Education, Pediatrics Section, including areas of mentoring, teaching, research, and/or clinical experience.
2. Please discuss briefly the nominee's specific contributions to the APTA overall.

Please provide a minimum of 2 names and addresses of individuals who might also write a letter of support for your nomination.

Nominator:

APTA Membership #:

Nominator's Contact Information:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Send to: Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Section, APTA  
1055 N Fairfax Street, Suite 205  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
cardiopt@apta.org

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