# SPA Awards Committee

## Award of Merit – Clinical Excellence

## Terms of Reference

2026 Version

**PURPOSE:** Awarded to an SPA member for:

- Outstanding clinical contributions to the physiotherapy profession.

**HISTORY:** Established in 1998, and based on awards previously initiated by the North and South Saskatchewan Districts of CPA.

**CRITERIA:** Must be a member in good standing with CPA and SPA.
Must have shown a history of high professional standards in their chosen field(s) over a significant period of time, gaining respect of his/ her peers along the way.

- In addition, one or more of the following will be taken into consideration:
  - Has shown a history of pursuing continuing education within his/her physiotherapy career, and/or has been responsible for organizing or promoting continuing education.
  - Has shown a history of innovation with the physiotherapy profession; i.e., formation of new programs or services.
  - Has shown some uniqueness in their dedication to their physiotherapy career.

**NOMINATION PROCEDURE:** Any SPA member may make nominations.
Nominations must be submitted in written form and must include:

- Name and contact information of nominator.
- Name and contact information of a seconder who would support the nomination.
- Name and contact information for nominee.
- A letter of support, outlining how the individual meets the criteria as stated above.
- CV or resume of the nominee (optional).

***Deadline for submissions: February 13th 2026***

**SELECTION OF RECIPIENT:** Made by the SPA Awards Committee. At the discretion of the Awards Committee and the SPA Board, more than one person may win the award.

**PRESENTATION:** Annually – At the SPA Annual General Meeting. Award winners will be contacted by the committee prior to the AGM and invited to attend the awards presentation and make a brief response to the award received. A complimentary entry for the awards presentation will be provided to both the award nominator and the recipient.

**FORM OF AWARD:** Framed Certificate and $50 Value Prize