SPA Awards Committee

Award of Merit – Joyce Manton for Leadership & Professional Involvement

Terms of Reference

2026 Version

PURPOSE: Awarded to an SPA member for:

- Having shown outstanding dedication to the profession through leadership and/or professional involvement.

HISTORY: Formerly the SPA Leadership/Professional Involvement Award, based on awards previously initiated by the North and South Saskatchewan Districts of the CPA. Name change was approved by the SPA board at its January 30, 1999 meeting and inaugurated at AGM May 1, 1999.

CRITERIA: Must be a member in good standing with CPA and SPA.
One or more of the following will be taken into consideration:

- History of volunteer activity with SPA or CPA (e.g., executive or related committees).
- Demonstrates unselfish dedication to the profession as a whole, over and above personal interests.
- History of being regarded as a good spokesperson for the profession, representing the interests of all physiotherapists.
- Considered by other physiotherapists to be a role model of professional behaviour or motivates others to become involved in professional activities.

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.
- One letter of support, outlining how the individual meets the criteria as stated above.
- CV or resume of the nominee (optional).

Deadline for submissions: February 13, 2026

SELECTION OF RECIPIENT: Made by the SPA Awards Committee. Only one (1) award may be awarded per year.

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