Description

1. The award shall be known as the Canadian Medical Association Medal of Honour.

2. The award shall be presented for excellence in one of the following areas:
   - personal contributions to the advancement of medical research, medical education, health care organization or health education of the public;
   - service to the people of Canada in raising the standards of health care delivery in Canada;
   - service to the profession in the field of medical organization.

3. The award represents the highest award that lies within the power of the Canadian Medical Association to bestow upon a person who is not a member of the medical profession.

4. The award shall take the form of a gold medal with a ribbon that may be worn at official functions.

Terms

1. Nominees are not members of the medical profession.

2. The CMA shall be under no obligation to make the award annually; it may be awarded to more than one person in a given year.

3. Any possibility that an individual or organization could exploit winning a CMA award for personal profit or commercial advantage will be taken into consideration.

4. This award will not be awarded posthumously. In the event of the demise of the nominee after being selected but before being presented with the award, it shall be presented posthumously.

5. Nominations may be submitted, accompanied by suitable documentation, by a CMA member, a provincial or territorial medical association, an affiliate or an associate society. Self-nomination is ineligible. Documentation will consist of a completed nomination form, a detailed letter of nomination accompanied by two letters of support and the nominee’s curriculum vitae. Handwritten submissions will not be accepted.

6. A nomination may be re-submitted in a subsequent year.

7. The Chair of the Committee on Archives and Awards shall receive nominations by 30 November of the year prior to the Annual Meeting at which the award is to be presented. They should be sent to the Chair, Committee on Archives and Awards, c/o Corporate Affairs Directorate, Canadian Medical Association, cherise.araujo@cma.ca.

8. The Committee on Archives and Awards shall make recommendations to the CMA Board of Directors for the award. The Board of Directors shall make the final decision.

9. The recipient of this award shall be offered the opportunity of attending the Annual General Meeting to accept the award at the expense of the CMA.