

**CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
AWARD FOR YOUNG LEADERS**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Description

1. The award shall be known as the CMA Award for Young Leaders. It will have two recipients per category each year under the following categories: Student Leadership Award, Resident Leadership Award and Early Career Physician Leadership Award.
2. The award is intended to celebrate the efforts of young physician leaders of tomorrow for their efforts today. In recognizing these efforts, the CMA will present the Award for Young Leaders to two students, two residents and two early career physician (up to and including 5 years post-residency) member who have demonstrated exemplary dedication, commitment and leadership in one of the following domains: political, clinical, education, research and/or community service. Relative to these domains, nominees must have:
 - exemplified creativity, initiative and are committed to “making a difference;”
 - been active and effective at the local, provincial/territorial and/or national level;
 - acted as a positive and effective role model for their peers and colleagues.

Terms

1. Nominees shall be members of the Canadian Medical Association.
2. The award should be awarded to two individuals per category in a given year, but the CMA shall be under no obligation to bestow the award annually.
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. Any CMA member currently sitting as an elected officer, a member of the CMA Board of Directors or the Committee on Archives and Awards, or the chair of a core committee is not eligible for nomination to CMA awards unless under exceptional circumstances.
5. 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.
6. 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 detailed nomination form of the nomination, accompanied by two letters of support and the nominee’s curriculum vitae. Handwritten submissions will not be accepted.
7. A nomination may be re-submitted in a subsequent year.
8. 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. Please submit nominations through the online form submission at <https://www.cma.ca/En/Pages/cma-awards.aspx>
9. The Committee on Achieves and Awards shall make the final decision of the award recipient and provide an update to the CMA Board of Directors.
10. The recipients of this award shall be offered the opportunity of attending the Annual General Meeting to accept the award at the expense of the CMA.