

Alberta's Family Physician of the Year Award

Each of the CFPC's Provincial Chapters select a Family Physician of the Year. This award, named in honour of Dr. Reg L. Perkin, CFPC Executive Director (1985–1996), recognizes outstanding CFPC family physician members who best exemplify what being a family doctor is all about, including exceptional care of their patients combined with a significant contribution to the health and well being of their communities and/or society in general.

These individuals will be honoured at the time of their Chapter Annual Scientific Assemblies/Annual General Meetings, as well as nationally during Family Medicine Forum (FMF) at which time they will receive Reg L. Perkin Awards as Canada's Family Physicians of the Year.

Recipients are chosen by their peers for providing exceptional care to their patients, making great contributions to the health and well being of their community, and dedicating themselves to the education for future generations of family doctors.

Award Criteria

The Alberta Family Physician of the Year Award is presented to a family physician who has been in family practice for a minimum of 15 years, who has also been a member of the College of Family Physicians of Canada for at least 10 years, has demonstrated excellence in family practice, including community medical services, involvement in the College of Family Physicians of Canada and contribution beyond medical practice to the community at large.

Each recipient should represent the four principles of family medicine in his/her practice:

- The family physician is a skilled clinician.
- Family medicine is a community-based discipline.
- The family physician is a resource to a defined practice population.
- The patient-physician relationship is central to the role of the family physician.

Recipients will be expected to meet and interact with community groups throughout the year of the award to talk about the role of the family physician and share the meaning of being a family doctor. Recipients will also be required to attend the CFPC's Family Medicine Forum, and to participate in planned activities surrounding this event.

Nomination

A letter of nomination should accompany the nomination form, providing details on how your nominee meets the Award criteria and providing us with an overview of your nominee's achievements. Additional letter(s) of support from colleagues, patients, and members of the community, as well as your nominee's resume would also be helpful. The ACFP's Nominating and Awards Committee will review all nominations submitted to the ACFP office prior to the Award deadline.

****Please note - Current members of the ACFP Board and Nominating & Awards Committees are not eligible for nomination for this award.**