

PARO Excellence in Clinical Teaching Awards (CTA)

CONCEPT OF AWARD

The objective of the PARO Excellence in Clinical Teaching Award is to publicly acknowledge the essential role that good clinical teachers play in the training of new physicians.

All nominees receive a letter from PARO informing them of their nomination and a list of the nominees will be sent to the Postgraduate Dean and Dean at their university. At a nominee's request, a letter will also be sent to their chief or supervising head. Award recipients receive a framed certificate, a \$1,000.00 donation to the award recipient's charity of choice and recognition at an Awards Dinner in the spring. Recipients also typically receive significant recognition at their site.

There are up to seven awards presented yearly: **two** for University of Toronto (due to its size) and **one** for each of the other five medical schools across Ontario: University of Ottawa, Western University, McMaster University, Queen's University and the Northern Ontario School of Medicine.

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION

Monday, January 29, 2018 at 0900h.

ELIGIBILITY

Any clinical staff member involved in full or part-time clinical teaching of residents is eligible for nomination.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Any individual currently enrolled in an accredited residency program in the province can make a nomination. Residents are encouraged to collaborate and submit one joint nomination. This can be done in a single letter or a collection of letters (maximum of 5) that contains the names and email addresses of the Resident nominators for verification purposes.

To be considered, the nomination package must:

- include a completed Nomination Form
- include a detailed letter(s) (minimum of 300 and maximum of 750 words) outlining the reasons for nomination (see Judging Criteria).
- * Please ensure that you provide sufficient information to convey the strengths and efforts of your nominee.
- be received by 0900h on Monday, January 29, 2018.

A resumé of the nominee is not required and will not be considered in the selection process.

* Please note: on occasions where nomination packages have not met a standard of criteria, the Selection Committee has opted to not give out an award at that particular site.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Some areas that the Awards Selection Committee will consider include:

- passion for teaching
- proficiency in delivering clear and relevant information
- quality of clinical and bedside teaching
- teaching at a high academic level
- comprehension and appropriate use of the literature
- appropriateness of teaching for level of trainees
- ability to relate to and appreciate patient needs
- being a positive role model
- interest in trainees' personal development and well-being

- commitment to the evaluation process
- encouragement of a team approach
- innovative techniques
- curriculum development
- connecting teaching with problem solving and research
- quality of laboratory teaching (if applicable).

SELECTION COMMITTEE

Award recipients are chosen by the Awards Selection Committee. This group is Chaired by the PARO Past President and is comprised of members of the PARO Board of Directors and General Council and an external representative. To access the nomination portal, please [click here](#).