

## *Emerging Leader Award*

### **About the Award**

The *Emerging Leader Award* is an individual award for an AAOMPT member (who meets eligibility requirements) a person who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership in service early in his or her physical therapy career to promote and make recognizable contributions AAOMPT.

The *Emerging Leader Award* is peer-nominated, reviewed, and approved by the AAOMPT board or appointed taskforce. The nominations are due by March 31st, and the award recipient is announced at the AAOMPT annual conference.

*Examples of an Emerging Leader include:*

Exemplary service to others and/or to AAOMPT in a manner that espouses leadership virtues (e.g., selflessness, loyalty, mentorship, humility, etc.). These could be evident (but not limited to) any of the following: AAOMPT committee work, fellowship program contributions, state and/or professional service to advance orthopaedic manual physical therapy (OMPT), and the mission of AAOMPT.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

Nominees\* must have a valid AAOMPT membership and be a member in good standing

\*Nominees can be individuals or groups that meet the eligibility requirements

### **CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

1. The nominee must be a member in good standing of the AAOMPT for at least 3 years (including student membership) and no more than 10 years from formal graduation as a licensed PT.
2. A description of the nominee's service contributions to advancing OMPT and the mission of AAOMPT and/or the PT profession are required.
3. Candidates shall have demonstrated leadership, enthusiasm, creativity, and a valuable service contribution
4. Explanation of the potential for future contributions to the AAOMPT and/or the PT profession.

### **PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION**

Any member of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Manual Physical Therapists may nominate candidates for the award. Nominations must be submitted by March 31st.

- 1.) Complete all nominations online, along with one support letter attached to the form. The materials to be completed and submitted for each nomination shall include the following:
- 2.) One letter of support focusing on the strengths of the nominee associated with the award criteria

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- 3.) Nominations should be sent via email in one "packet" to Paul Mintken, Chair of the Awards Sub-committee at [pmintken@hpu.edu](mailto:pmintken@hpu.edu) by March 31st. After the successful submission of the nomination, the nominator will receive a confirmation email.

The AAOMPT office will notify the nominator when all required materials have been received and the nomination package is considered complete. Once the nomination is received, the nominee will be contacted to obtain their Curriculum Vitae/Resume for the committee to complete their evaluation.