

AMA AWARD FOR COMPASSIONATE SERVICE

1. The award shall be known as the AMA Award for Compassionate Service.
2. Compassionate service shall be viewed in the context of:
 - a. Giving back to the community locally, nationally or internationally
 - b. Practicing philanthropy
 - c. Going outside of one's normal duties and practices to care for others who would otherwise not receive care or support
3. The award honors a physician who, during his/her career, has demonstrated outstanding compassion, philanthropy and/or volunteerism to improve the state of the community in which he or she is giving back.
 - a. Demonstrating a significant and extraordinary contribution to volunteer or philanthropic efforts
 - b. Through action, enhancing the reputation of physicians as compassionate members of the community
 - c. Serving as an inspiration to others

The award shall take the form of an inscribed plaque and will be presented at the fall AMA Representation Forum/Annual General Meeting.

TERMS

1. The nominee must be an AMA member.
2. Up to two physicians may be granted this award in any given year. The AMA shall be under no obligation to present the award annually.
3. 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.
4. Nominations may be made by the AMA Committee on Achievement Awards.
5. Nominations may also be submitted, accompanied by suitable documentation, by an AMA member, a member of the public, or charitable organization. Self-nomination is ineligible. Documentation shall consist of a completed nomination form accompanied by at least one letter of support and a curriculum vitae. Nominations submitted will be considered so long as the origin of the documentation can be verified. Handwritten submissions will not be accepted.
6. The Chair of the AMA Committee on Achievement Awards shall receive nominations by **April 30** of the year of the fall Representative Forum/Annual General Meeting at which the award is to be presented. Documentation should be sent to the Chair, Committee on Achievement Awards, c/o Debbie Kuss at debbie.kuss@albertadoctors.org.
7. A nomination may be re-submitted in a subsequent year.
8. The AMA Committee on Achievement Awards shall make recommendations to the AMA Board of Directors for the award. The Board of Directors shall make the final decision.
9. The recipient of the award shall be offered the opportunity to attend the fall Representative Forum/Annual General Meeting, at the expense of the AMA, to accept the award.