

APTA Tennessee

A Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association

Carol Likens Award



Nancy Fell, PT, PhD, FAPTA

This award goes to an APTA TN member who has provided exceptional service to the profession of physical therapy. The award is named after the first recipient, Carol likens, who served as the president of the Tennessee Chapter from 1985 - 1995. Her vision, leadership, and commitment to the profession brought the Chapter one of its greatest periods of growth and service to members.

Special Recognition Award



Rhonda Haley, PTA

This award goes to an APTA TN member who has demonstrated special service and contribution to the Chapter and/or District. The criteria include holding an office with distinction (past or current) and providing extraordinary service to the Chapter and/or District by contributions to the Association and profession besides holding a Chapter office or Committee chairmanship.

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"In Memoriam"
Thomas R Schlitt, PT, DPT, PCS

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Danny Smith Outstanding Service Award



Gretchen Jackson, PT, DPT

This award goes to an outstanding APTA TN member who has brought distinction and honor upon himself/herself by dedication and hard work. The criteria include extraordinary service to the Chapter by serving on committees, as district chair, as a member of the state licensing board, or as a delegate to the APTA House of Delegates; attendance at state meetings; participation in continuing education courses; contribute to the field of teaching and research; and outstanding contribution to PT at the national, state, or local level.

Excellence in Clinical Practice



Derik Elmore, PT

This award is given to an APTA TN member who has made an outstanding contribution to the clinical practice of physical therapy. The criteria for nomination include engaged in extensive practice for at least 10 years; positively and substantially affected the shape, scope, and quality of physical therapy practice; and has had an impact on other physical therapists in a manner that has increased their abilities to practice physical therapy.

Outstanding PTA



Adam Burgess, PTA

This is awarded to an active and current APTA TN member.
Recipient has demonstrated excellence in clinical practice as a PTA.

Clinical Educator of the Year



Jennifer Pearcy, PT, DPT, OCS, GCS, FAAOMPT

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Outstanding PT Educator



Stephanie Eton, PT, DPT

This award may be given to an APTA TN member who has demonstrated outstanding contributions to the education of PT students. Recipient must be a full-time academic educator in the PT curriculum in Tennessee and demonstrate exceptional ability to impact the lives of the student with whom in they come in touch and demonstrate the ability to go above and beyond what is expected as an academic educator and a commitment to classroom education of future physical therapists.

Outstanding PTA Educator



Kayla Booth, PT

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Hall of Fame



Jane David, PT, DPT, MS

This award is given to an APTA TN member who has a minimum of 25 years of continuous contribution to the APTA TN in a role as a clinician, educator, clinical educator, or combination of the above; a history of service to the APTA TN Board of Directors; contributions to the growth of the profession through formal state, national, or international presentations; and demonstrated exceptional contributions to the APTA TN and the profession. The APTA TN Hall of Fame previous recipients will select up to 1 new members each year. The pictures of the recipients will be displayed prominently at all APTA TN meetings.

Outstanding District Award

The recipient of this award must be an established district of APTA TN, met a minimum of 4 times within the past year, provided CE courses at all meetings, and members are active in APTA TN activities, and APTA TN Day on the Hill. The district is active in the promotion of the profession of PT and APTA TN, active in PT Day of Service, and to be awarded by EC and Awards Committee.

Friend of the Profession

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This award may be given to an individual who is not a physical therapist but has demonstrated outstanding contributions to the profession in regard to PT/PTA student mentorship, the community at large, and/or legislatively. This individual's leadership, acts, and support have contributed significantly to the improvement of physical therapy access, education, and/or advocacy on a local or state level. Recipients may be a resident of any state, but their contributions will directly impact the Tennessee chapter and/or members.

Legislator of the Year Award

Representative John Ray Clemmons

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President's Award

Scott Newton, PT, DPT

This award is given to an individual selected by the president for outstanding service to APTA TN. The recipient of this award will have demonstrated commitment to APTA TN in all endeavors and outstanding contribution to the growth and development of APTA TN. They will have provided service on the District, Chapter, and State levels with extraordinary service to APTA TN in legislative, governance, clinical practice and education.