

# **RUTH P. HALL CLINICAL FELLOWSHIP AWARD**

Ruth P. Hall had dedicated her career to the profession of Physical Therapy. Ms. Hall's educational concerns, devotion to quality patient care, high standards of ethical practice and her genuine love of humanity, has benefited generations of physical therapist and physical therapist assistant students throughout the years.

#### **PURPOSE:**

The award is designed to recognize a physical therapy and physical therapist assistant student who demonstrate the professional qualities of dedication and caring which exemplified the physical therapy career of Ruth Hall.

### AWARD:

An award of \$300.00 will be granted annually to the recipients.

### **ELIGIBILITY**:

- The nominee shall be a student, currently enrolled in an entry-level physical therapy or physical therapist assistant program; (\*For schools who only complete clinicals in their final semester before graduation, eligibility extends to students that have graduated within the last year)
- 2. The nominee must have successfully completed at least one full time clinical education experience at the time of nomination;
- 3. The nominee must be a student member of the APTA MA

## **CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:**

The nominee will have consistently displayed the following qualities/achievements:

- 1. Personal attributes: The nominees shall consistently demonstrate a genuine, caring nature in his/her interpersonal relationships by:
  - 1. Being respectful to peers;
  - 2. Displaying approachability;
  - 3. Demonstrating a sincere and giving nature.

- 2. Professional attributes: The nominee shall demonstrate a mature, caring and professional behavior in both the clinical and academic settings as illustrated by:
  - 1. Demonstrating a dedication to and responsibility for quality patient care;
  - 2. Exhibiting an ability to identify areas for continued professional growth;
  - 3. Displaying effective communication skills; verbal, nonverbal and written with patients, colleagues and other health professional;
  - 4. Showing sensitivity and genuine concern for others;
  - 5. Able to respond to patient's varying emotional states.
- 3. Scholastic and Clinical Ability: The nominee shall demonstrate sound academic and clinical performance as illustrated by:
  - 1. Displaying ability to apply knowledge in the clinical setting;
  - 2. Exhibiting self-direction toward education;
  - 3. Willing to participate in the learning process.

### PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION

Student must be nominated for this award by an APTA MA member in good standing, serving in the capacity of Clinical Instructor (CI), Center Coordinator of Clinical Education (CCCE), Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education (ACCE), or academic faculty.

Nominations must be submitted on the required nomination form found on the website.

Three (3) support letters addressing the above-delineated criteria must accompany the nomination. At least one support letter must be from a CI or CCE that has had direct contact with the nominee and one letter must be from an academic faculty member and one letter from a fellow student.

Only one nominee may be submitted from each school.