

Richard Kessler Memorial Award

This award was established in 2003 to honor the memory of Richard Kessler. Richard Kessler was the owner of Kessler Therapy Equipment who unselfishly assisted many physical therapists in starting their practices by extending credit and customer service that was not the norm. This award honors an individual physical therapist who has given of themselves to society without thought of personal or professional gain.

The purpose of this award is to recognize a physical therapist with those qualities Richard Kessler displayed in a professional and friendly manner. First, his persona exemplified dignity and a loyalty to physical therapy. Secondly, his persona exemplified compassion and generosity with sensitivity to the needs of others. These qualities were the hallmark of the career of Richard Kessler

Eligibility

Recipient must be an active, active life, affiliate or affiliate life member in good standing of the APTA MA for at least 5 years.

Qualifications

- 1. Must be a member of APTA for at least 5 years.
- 2. Must have demonstrated leadership ability
- 3. Support innovation in clinical and/or administration area
- 4. Demonstrate community involvement and service

Method of Nomination

- 1. Nominees must submit an application for the award
- 2. Must include 3 letters of reference addressing how the candidate meets or exceeds the established criteria
- 3. Please complete nomination form on website.

The award will be presented to the recipient at the APTA MA Annual Conference