



CANDIAN COLLEGE OF MEDICAL GENETICISTS (CCMG) The Founders' Award for Career Achievement

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Brief Description

The Founders' Award for Career Achievement is conferred to recognize a CCMG member who has had an outstanding career in medical genetics in Canada or abroad. This award is named in honour of the visionary individuals (known as the "Committee of Seven"¹) who, along with 17 founding members, established the Canadian College of Medical Geneticists on January 13, 1976. Previously known as the Founders' Award, it was officially renamed in 2017. The contributions of the members being considered for the Founders' Award for Career Achievement could be in any area of medical genetics: service, research, teaching, administration, or any other academic or scholarly activity.

Terms of Reference

1. Nominations will be solicited at the same time as those for the F. Clarke Fraser Award for Excellence in Mentorship and Teaching and the John L. Hamerton Service Award, although nominations may be addressed to the Awards and Nomination Committee at any time during the year.
2. Nominations should include a brief curriculum vitae of the candidate and letters of support signed by two regular or Emeritus members of the CCMG. Nominations received after the deadline announced by the CCMG office will be considered for the following year.
3. The Awards and Nominations Committee reserves the right not to present the award if a suitable candidate is not determined for a given year.
4. In the event of more than one suitable nomination, the remaining nominees may be considered along with new applications in subsequent year(s).
5. The Awardee will be contacted by the Awards and Nominations vice chair or their designated delegate once nomination has been approved by the board of directors.
6. The recipient of the award will be announced at the CCMG annual general meeting. The recipient is expected to give a short presentation at the award presentation ceremony, as deemed appropriate by the Scientific Program committee. Cost of conference registration, Gala dinner, travel to the conference as well as up to three nights accommodation at the conference hotel for the Awardee will be covered by the CCMG. All eligible expenses will be covered according to the CCMG Travel Policy.

1 The Committee of Seven (L. Dallaire, C. Fraser, J. Hamerton, E. Ives, C. Laberge, J. Miller, and M. Thompson) "A Proposal for the Formation of a Canadian College of Medical Geneticists", 1975. From "The Canadian College of Medical Geneticists 1975-2000: An Historical Perspective on the First 25 Years by Hubert C. Soltan (2001).