

This award is a \$2,500 cash award available annually to a physician who demonstrates excellence and leadership in palliative care and advances palliative care in their communities through mentorship of family physicians.

The award was created to honour Dr. Larry Librach, MD, CCFP, FFCP who began his medical career in 1970, and became an early presence in the field of palliative care in 1978 and was instrumental in shaping the Canadian approach to palliative care and palliative medicine. Throughout his 35 years in palliative care, Dr. Librach was a teacher and mentor, an encouraging and enthusiastic colleague and friend who embraced every opportunity to give of himself, and who consistently inspired others to do the same.

Nomination Deadline

Nominations for the award are accepted annually until March 1.

Eligibility

To be considered for this award, the nominee must:

- Be a physician licensed to practice in the Province of Ontario
- Work primarily in community settings (non-institutional)
- Demonstrate excellence in patient care
- Demonstrate leadership in advancing palliative care in community settings
- Be recognized by his/her peers as a mentor

Selection Process

HPCO will appoint an adjudication committee to review candidates and recommend the recipient. The recipient will be notified of the award early April.

Presentation

The award will be presented at the Annual Hospice Palliative Care Ontario Conference.

Submission Process

Each nomination must be supported by three (3) individuals, **one of whom must be a current member of HPCO**. Self-nominations are ineligible.

Nominations must be submitted electronically via a link provided on the Awards page at www.hpcoco.ca.

*Please note HPCO Board of Directors and staff are not eligible.

The following information will be required for the online submission. You may wish to collect the information in advance.

1. In 400 words or less, please tell us how the nominee demonstrates excellence in patient care.
2. In 400 words or less, please tell us how the nominee demonstrates leadership in advancing palliative care in community settings.

3. In 400 words or less, please tell us how the nominee demonstrates leadership in palliative care education and mentoring for family physicians.
4. Optionally, you may also upload any other documentation you feel supports the nomination. Please combine files into a single pdf.