

Dr. Jim McMillan Education Award Guidelines

Dr. Jim McMillan grew up in Lac La Biche and did all of his training through the University of Alberta. He started his orthopaedic career in 1975 at the Charles Camsell Hospital. In those early years of his practice, he also travelled to Fort McMurray, Yellowknife and Hay River where orthopaedic care was unavailable. After the Camsell closed, he continued to perform thousands of surgeries at the Royal Alexandra, Misericordia and Sturgeon Hospitals as well as consulting regularly at the Worker's Compensation Board Clinic. Every day of his career he looked forward to meeting and treating patients, and to working with so many dedicated co-workers.

The consummate practical joker, he was a fun-loving talented surgeon who brought laughter and healing to many. Whether a clinical case or a political interaction, Jim had an innate ability to break things down to a succinct bottom line, usually in a humorous and witty manner. He was a dedicated family man who loved spending time with his wife Jan, their 3 children and especially his five grandsons as well as many other extended family members. He enjoyed golfing, and travelled the world looking for new courses to try. Although he was a social person, golf was often a meditative solitary experience and he was addicted to scrounging for golf balls as he walked.

Dr. McMillan was a life-long learner always expanding his knowledge by reading, attending conferences and educational sessions. He enjoyed teaching both here and also in Malawi during his two volunteer tours with Orthopaedics Overseas. Jim would be honoured to know that the Edmonton chapter of the Canadian Orthopaedic Nurses Association (CONA) has taken on the responsibility of administering funds donated in his name to further education for many others.

Application Guidelines and Principles:

- The Dr. Jim McMillan Education Grant was developed to support health professionals in their academic pursuits.
- The applicant must be a health care provider working in the area of orthopaedics in Edmonton/Northern Alberta.
- Funds are available for the following: workshops, seminars/professional conferences/courses/self-study modules. These must be related to your current practice.
- Funds will be provided for registration/tuition and/or course materials.
- Applicants are required to provide proof of completion (e.g. course certificate, conference attendance record) along with original receipts within 30 days after completion of the course. Funds will not be distributed until these documents have been provided.
- Applicants must divulge all other sources of funding that have been applied for or received.
- Funding is non-transferable between individuals or education events. Funds allocated must be used for the event that was applied for.
- The Funding Allocation Committee will meet twice/year.
- Application deadlines for funding are April 15 and September 15. Applicants will be notified within 30 days of the submission deadline as to the success of the application.
- Maximum funding per individual per year is \$1000.00.
- Disbursement of funds will be at the sole discretion of the Committee.

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