

On behalf of Dr Ronél Jordaan and the Standards Committee joined by Renée de Ruijter that will be the Awards Committee for this purpose, we hereby call for nominations for the David Lamb Memorial Award. Details of this award are included below. Please note that the nominations together with the required supporting documents should reach admin@ifompt.org by **15 December 2023**.

The David Lamb Memorial Award

a) This award will be made once every 4 years.

The recipient shall receive:

- US\$1 000.00 without obligation;
- A Certificate of the Award;
- An invitation to present the research in a forty-minute time slot in the plenary session at the next IFOMPT Conference; and
- A free Conference Registration and one ticket to attend the Conference dinner.

b) Purpose

The purpose of this award is to recognise and celebrate a recently published high quality research paper by a manipulative physical therapist that has made a significant contribution to either the clinical practice or the scientific basis of orthopaedic manipulative physical therapy.

c) Eligibility

- The recipient must be a manipulative physiotherapist/orthopaedic manual therapist.
- The recipient must be the principal researcher of a paper published in a refereed journal. Preference to be given to works published in a peer reviewed journal. Documentation supporting the role of the applicant as the principal researcher is required.
- The paper to be relevant to orthopaedic/manual therapy practice, as defined by IFOMPT.
- The paper to be first published within the four year period preceding the International IFOMPT Conference at which the award is presented.
- The recipient must be a member of an IFOMPT Member Organisation.
- Members of the Standards and Executive Committee are eligible to present papers for consideration but must be excluded from the judging process if they choose to submit.

d) Criteria for Selection

- The paper must make a significant contribution to either:
Clinical practice of manipulative/manual therapy

The base of scientific knowledge supporting the mechanisms, or efficacy, of manipulative/manual therapy.

- The recipient to be selected by the Awards Committee as appointed in terms of the IFOMPT Governance Manual before each General Meeting.
- IFOMPT reserves the right not to make an award if there are no suitable applications.

e) Procedure for Nomination

- Any member of an IFOMPT MO may nominate a candidate for the award.
- The nomination and supporting documents must be submitted electronically to the IFOMPT office at least six months prior to the next IFOMPT General Meeting.
- The following documentation must be submitted for a nomination to be considered:

A letter supporting the nomination that specifically focuses on the strengths of the nominee in relation to the award criteria.

Details of the person nominating and their membership number of the MO.

Current curriculum vitae or resume of the nominee.

Letters of support from three individuals upon whom the nominee has had an impact, which specifically address one or more of the criteria for selection.

f) Procedures for Review and Selection

- The IFOMPT office will retain the original set of electronic materials and will provide the Awards Committee with electronic copies for review.
- The Awards Committee will review the nominations and recommend a recipient to the IFOMPT Executive Committee with a summary of all received nominations.
- Members of the awards committee cannot nominate or write the application for a potential candidate for the David Lamb award.
- The award will be presented to worthy nominations only. No award will be made if the Awards Committee is not satisfied that all criteria for the award are satisfied.
- Submitted nomination materials are considered the property of the IFOMPT Awards Committee, who will maintain their confidentiality.

g) Notification of the Award

- The IFOMPT President will notify the recipient of the award three months prior to the General Meeting.
- Those nominees not selected will be informed in writing.
- All people making a nomination will receive a letter thanking them for their submission and informing them of the award recipient.

h) The confidentiality of the David Lamb Award will be maintained until the recipient has been notified.

i) The presentation can be made 'in absentia' in which case the recipient will be asked to submit a short video of acceptance of the award that will be used at the awarding event.