

**Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants  
Past President's Council  
Awards Criteria, Fall 1997**

**PA of the Year**

- Current MAPA Member
- Written nomination by another MAPA member
- Not currently serving on MAPA Board of Directors or as a Committee Chair
- Demonstrated clinical excellence and commitment to the PA Core Values (as adopted by the AAPA) by formal award or written testimony
- Recognized community service which increases awareness of the PA role and the PA contribution to society

**Physician of the Year**

- Licensed Maryland Physician
- Written nomination by a MAPA member
- Supervision of Physician Assistants or employment of Physician Assistants in practice over the last 5 years
- Public promotion of the pA profession to legislators, community-at-large, or through a physician or other professional organization
- Willingness to attend award ceremony (except in case of posthumous awards)

**Special Recognition**

- Written promotion by a MAPA member
- Promotion of the PA profession in the form of but not limited to:
  - Testimony before the state for national legislative bodies
  - Writing newspaper or magazine articles that increase public awareness of PAs
  - Interviews with press that promote PA public education
  - Production, distribution or promotion of health awareness information that also highlights PA role

**Outstanding Service**

- Current MAPA member
- Written nomination by another MAPA member

A minimum of five years service to the PA profession on a state or national level in at least two different areas (e.g. officer, delegate/alternate, council/committee chair)