

Outstanding Professional

This award may be made annually to one member of ATRA. It is the second most prestigious award of ATRA.

Qualifications:

- A. Current and active member of ATRA – a minimum of one (1) year

Must meet at least two of the following criteria below:

- B. Experience – a minimum of five (5) years related to recreational therapy service.
- C. Distinctive leadership in promotion, organization, and development of new or unique/innovative type of activity or program to recreational therapy.
- D. Service to the profession on a national, regional, state, and/or local level.
- E. Evidence of leadership
 - a. An elected office in a recreational therapy association
 - b. A member of any recreational therapy association committee
- F. Professional research, publications, and presentations (must meet at least one of the following):
 - a. Addresses or appearances to groups, in person, on radio, or television pertaining to the broad field of recreational therapy.
 - b. Published articles in newspaper(s), magazine(s), or journal(s) on topics pertaining to recreational therapy.
 - c. Research that has helped advance the profession of recreational therapy.
 - d. Author/co-author or editor of a book on recreational therapy or related fields.
 - e. Contribution to the profession effecting policy or practice.