

## **The David Ball Community Service Award**

Medical laboratory professionals are a diverse group of people who possess many different skills, talents and interests. As members of the health care team, they make valuable contributions to the health and well-being of Canadians. Many are also involved in their communities serving as volunteers with local schools, places of worship, service groups and community service agencies.

The CSMLS Board of Directors has established a special award to recognize medical laboratory professionals who volunteer their time and talent to make a difference in their communities. The award is named in honour of former CSMLS President, David Ball, who passed away on July 11, 2001. David was an outstanding person whose influence extended far beyond the laboratory. Not only was he a leader and an advocate for his profession, but he was an active volunteer in his community of Deer Lake, Newfoundland.

The David Ball Community Service Award is awarded annually to a CSMLS member who has made a significant contribution to his or her community through volunteer service. The award will be presented in the community/town of the recipient, and will be awarded by a member of the CSMLS Board of Directors or CSMLS staff.

Nominations may be submitted by CSMLS members. Each nomination must include a detailed citation. A letter of support from the agency/ group to which the nominee has made a contribution must also be included with the nomination.

**The deadline for submission of nominations is November 1<sup>st</sup>.**

## Guidelines

1. Award is open to CSMLS members in good standing.
2. There must be two nominators both of whom must be CSMLS members in good standing.
3. Only one entry will be considered for each nominee.
4. The award citation\* should describe why the nominee is being submitted for recognition and should include detailed information such as:
  - The name of the agency/agencies to which the nominee has contributed
  - How their volunteer service has impacted their community
  - Length of volunteer service
5. A letter of support from the service agency/ organization must be included with the submission. Ideally, it should be signed by an officer (Executive Staff or Board Member) of that agency/organization.
6. The CSMLS Grants, Scholarships & Awards Committee will judge the nominees based on the information submitted with the application. As with all awards, submissions are held in strict confidentiality, as are the deliberations of the judging committee. The CSMLS reserves the right to not grant an award in a given year if an entry of sufficient merit is not received.
7. Entries must be submitted (postmarked) to the CSMLS by November 1<sup>st</sup>.
8. The award will consist of a special memento to be presented in the recipient's community. It must be accepted in the year granted; no cash equivalent or other options are available.
9. A member may only be awarded one grant, scholarship or award per year with the exception of the BD Quality Assurance Project Award (if available).
10. Current members of the CSMLS Board of Directors and staff and their immediate families are not eligible for this award.

\* Citation must be typewritten, double-spaced and should not exceed 1,000 words. It must be attached to the entry form.



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### Nominee Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

CSMLS ID #, if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Is Nominee aware of this nomination: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**I submit this entry to the CSMLS David Ball Community Service Award as per the award guidelines.**

### Nominated by:

Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ CSMLS ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Seconded by:

Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ CSMLS ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to:**  
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