



# Press Release

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## Launch of WCPT Awards Programme 2011

WCPT is pleased to announce the launch of its 2011 awards programme. The Awards Committee would like to invite nominations from WCPT member organisations for the following awards:

- Mildred Elson Award
- International Service Award
- Humanitarian Service Award
- Leadership in Rehabilitation Award

The WCPT awards programme recognises outstanding contributions and international leadership made by individual physical therapists and groups who have made an exceptional contribution to the profession and/or global health.

The first award established by WCPT in 1987 was the Mildred Elson Award with funds donated by the American Physical Therapy Association. Mildred Elson, the first President of WCPT and the first recipient of the award in 1987, was instrumental in the founding of WCPT and in providing international leadership to physical therapy. In 2007 the awards programme was expanded to include the above awards.

The closing date for nominations is 31<sup>st</sup> July 2010. The recipients will be announced at the time of WCPT's next general meeting and congress, World Physical Therapy 2011, in Amsterdam, Netherlands, June 2011.

For further details and the nomination procedure for each of the award categories please visit the WCPT website at <http://www.wcpt.org/awards>.

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