

**Student Award to Attend Federal Government Affairs Forum (FGAF) – 2010  
Forum: April 25 – 27, 2010, Alexandria, VA**

Each year, two students (PT and/or PTA) may be selected to receive an award of \$300\* to offset costs such as registration, travel and lodging while attending APTA's FGAF.

**Purpose**

To serve as an incentive for APTA of MA Students who have demonstrated initiative in their involvement with chapter activities and their dedication to their courses of study and understanding of the profession of physical therapy.

**Eligibility**

1. The Students must be:
  - A member of the APTA of MA
  - Enrolled in an accredited school of physical therapy in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
2. The Students shall not be the recipient of any other APTA of MA Student Award, excluding the Ruth Hall Award, with the same year.
3. The Students must have demonstrated initiative in their active involvement and participation with chapter activities and their dedication to their studying and understanding of the profession of physical therapy.
4. In addition to paragraph 3 above, the selection will be based on pertinent information supplied by the Applicant in their Letter of Intent and Letter of Recommendation.

**Method of Application**

1. Students interested in receiving the Award must apply to APTA of MA's Board of Directors by **March 5th** of the year in which the FGAF is held by submitting the following documents:
  - An Application (see attached)
  - A personal Letter of Intent
  - Letter of Recommendation
  - Resume/CV
2. The Letter of Intent should describe the following:
  - Student's qualifications to be considered for the Award
  - Student's motivation to attend the FGAF
  - The importance of Association membership
  - Brief summary of professional activities to date
3. The Student will be notified on or before April 1<sup>st</sup>

**Conditions of Award**

1. The recipient must, submit a written summary of their experience at the FGAF to the Student Special Interest Group and Board of Directors within thirty (30) days following their return from FGAF. The summary may be used for publication in APTA of MA's Newsletter or posting on its web site.

2. The stipend must be used for attendance and participation at the FGAF.
3. Reimbursement will be received within thirty (30) days of submission of proof of attendance of the FGAF. The reimbursement will be mailed first class mail by the Chapter Office.

**\* Award is subject to the financial stability of APTA of MA's Long Term Fund Investment. Amount of Award may vary due to the discretion of the Board of Directors.**