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## Nominate a Private Practitioner for the 2026 Award of Excellence

This award honours excellence in private practice. It recognizes a member of the *Private Practitioners Chapter* who demonstrates exceptional leadership, integrity, and meaningful impact through their work with clients in a private setting.

If you know a colleague whose private practice work deserves recognition, here is how to begin the nomination process.

### Step 1: Understand Eligibility

This award was created specifically to highlight excellence within the private practice community. While we appreciate the many settings where counsellors work, we gently clarify:

✳️ **Preference will be given to nominees who are actively working in private practice**, rather than those whose work is primarily within agencies, institutions, or public-sector roles.

We recognize that in past years, there has been some confusion, and we share this clarification with kindness and respect for all past nominations, acknowledging the effort involved in nominating.

Nominations may be submitted by anyone—colleague, client, or professional contact. The nominee must be a professional member of the *Private Practitioners Chapter* in good standing.

### Step 2: Submit the Nomination Form

Once the nomination form is received, we will open a file and request the following supporting documents:

1. **A Letter of Nomination**
2. **A 150-word Essay** describing why the nominee is being recognized
3. **Two Letters of Support** from individuals familiar with the nominee's contributions
4. **Nominee Acknowledgement** confirming they agree to be nominated

All materials must be submitted by **December 15** to ensure a fair and complete review.

### **What the Award Includes**

 The winner will be **recognized at the CCPA Annual Conference** and receive:

- A **commemorative plaque**, and
- A **monetary award of up to \$500**, sponsored by the Private Practitioners Chapter.

### **Have Questions?**

Please reach out to **Linda Storm** at  [linda@my-therapist.ca](mailto:linda@my-therapist.ca)

We are happy to assist at any point in the process.

Let us honour the inspiring work of those in private practice—one thoughtful nomination at a time.