**Michigan Association for Play Therapy**

**2020 Outstanding Achievement Award in Play Therapy**

*To be awarded at the 25th Annual MIAPT Conference in Lansing in February 2020*

**Purpose:** To recognize a Michigan play therapist(s) who has impacted the field of play therapy through innovative or advancement in practice, training/teaching or scholarship.

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| **Eligibility**   * Mental Health Professional with a minimum of a Master’s Degree. * Currently practicing or retired. * Current member of APT and MIAPT. * Member in good standing, or in good standing at retirement, of a professional association in their field (e.g. APA, ACA, NASW, ASMC, APT). * Hold a current, or held at retirement, a MI State License/registrations/certification in their field.   **Who Can Nominate**   * Play Therapist * Mental Health Professional * Administrators * Parents * Teachers * Training/teaching models | **Criteria**  ***The nominees should…***   * Possess the personal qualities thought to be desirable in a play therapist. * Demonstrate outstanding leadership skills. * Exemplify the values and ethics of their professional discipline.   ***The nominee must have been responsible for innovations or advancements in play therapy that have…***   * Either expanded or enhanced direct service to children and families, * Expanded knowledge of play therapy to the profession or community, and * Taken place within five years prior to the date of nomination.   ***The nominee’s achievement may be evidenced by one or more of the following…***   * Community leadership * Direct practice techniques and methods * Published scholastic work * Community recognition |

**2020 Awards Nomination Form**

**Name/Title of Nominee** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Directions:** Using the award criteria as a guideline, complete this application form. Attach the following supporting documentation: 1) a letter of no more than 500 words describing the nominee’s contribution to the field(s); 2) a photo of the nominee; 3) additional letter(s) – up to three letters in support of the nomination (these can be from supervisors, administrators, parents, colleagues, students, etc.); and 4) any additional documentation such as news clips, programs, or training brochures/description review, etc. Additional supporting documentation (#4) is strongly encouraged**. Submission Deadline is January 1, 2020. Email nomination form and supporting documentation to:** [**mymiapt@gmail.com**](mailto:mymiapt@gmail.com)**, Subject: AWARD NOMINATION**

\*\*\*\*NOMINATIONS MUST HAVE COMPLETE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION OF AT LEAST #1 (LETTER) & #2 (PHOTO) TO BE CONSIDERED. ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED.\*\*\*