



## **CLARK W. FINNERUD AWARD**

Established in 1971, this annual award honors the deserving and all-too-often forgotten part-time teacher or clinician.

There are a significant number of dermatologists in the United States who are part-time teachers and part-time clinicians. They spend countless hours teaching medical students and residents, ***largely without compensation***, as a labor of love. They are respected, and their efforts are most appreciated but seldom recognized at a national level by their dermatologic colleagues.

The Dermatology Foundation has established an award for these part-time clinicians in dermatology. The award has been named for the late Dr. Clark W. Finnerud who was such an important individual to the Dermatology Foundation during its formative period. Dr. Finnerud was an example of a dedicated teacher and clinician who served the Rush Medical School for 47 years. Thus, this award honors not only part-time teachers but also Dr. Finnerud for his achievements, foresight and generosity.

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## **PRACTITIONER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

This award was established by the Dermatology Foundation in 1976 and is given each year to a member of the specialty who demonstrates exemplary service as a practitioner, teacher and/or researcher, and is active in other professional organizations, esp. dermatologic organizations.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Quality of dermatologic practice as measured by the duration of practice, receipt of continuing education awards, citation of any recognition by hospitals or patients.
2. Participation in medical teaching at any level (undergraduate, medical, nursing, graduate, postgraduate).
3. Participation in research.
4. Participation in other professional societies, especially dermatologic organizations.
5. Publications.
6. The major criteria for selection would be consideration of the contributions made by the individuals as a clinical practitioner. All things being equal, the more senior candidate would receive the award.
7. Individuals who have spent a considerable amount of time in full time academic dermatology are not considered eligible for this award.