

2022 MTAM Educator of the Year Award **GLEN BERGERON** PhD., CAT(C)



To say that Dr. Glen Bergeron has had a hand in the education and professional development of massage therapy students and RMTs would be a remarkable understatement.

In actuality, through his work as an instructor at Evolve College of Massage Therapy, and as a popular presenter at MTAM events, Glen has impacted the careers of many thousands whom he's instructed and the patients they treat. Most recently, he presented assessment and treatment courses at both the 2022 and 2023 MTAM Spring Conferences.

Glen's nomination was submitted by Jeffery Dalhouse, on behalf of all those aforementioned RMTs. Jeffery stated: "Dr. Bergeron has made his knowledge and skills available to us innumerable times, to patiently elevate the language and treatment skills of RMTs across the province. Whether you've spent a little bit of time in his classes or a lot, you have come away with a deeper understanding of musculoskeletal function and what it requires to rehabilitate.

Dr. Bergeron is a Professor in the Gupta Faculty of Kinesiology and Applied Health at the University of Winnipeg. He graduated from the University of Manitoba with a Bachelor of Physical Education degree in 1973, and a Master of Science degree from the University of Alberta in 1978. He completed his PhD in the Department of Anatomy, Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba in 1992. A Certified Athletic Therapist since 1975, he has been acknowledged with numerous awards, including the Canadian Athletic Therapists Association (CATA) Special Recognition Award in 1984, and induction into the CATA Hall of Fame in 1997; the Province of Manitoba Premier's

Volunteer Service Award in June 2001; and the Clarence Atchison Award for Excellence in Community Service in 2003. He was also awarded the Chuck Badcock Award by the Manitoba Athletic Therapists Association in 2016.

Massage therapy students and RMTs have benefitted from Glen's extensive clinical skills and sport experiences at the university, professional, national, and international levels, including his selection to the Canadian Medical Team during multiple Olympic Games (Calgary 1988, Barcelona 1992, Sydney 2000, and Beijing 2008), and most recently as the Medical Lead for the 2017 Canada Summer Games held in Winnipeg.

This work gave Glen the opportunity to be part of the ever-changing world of concussion management. He has a strong interest in the prevention of concussions linked to sport, by promoting respect and fair play in sport, promoting best practices in the recognition and management of concussions in the field; followed up by the most effective and evidence-based post-concussion rehabilitation and return to play/work plan. Glen has shared his knowledge with MTAM members on many occasions, as he presented workshops and webinars to help RMTs better understand concussions, and assist them in better supporting and treating those clients who suffer from concussions.

The MTAM Board of Directors are pleased to present the 2022 MTAM Educator of the Year Award to Dr. Glen Bergeron for his dedication to promoting excellence in learning, both in a massage therapy program and in ongoing professional development of RMTs in Manitoba.

Congratulations Glen!