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# Dr. Charles Tator receives the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame 2023 Bruce Prentice Family Legacy Award

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Congratulations to Charles Tator, MD, PhD, FRCSC, FACS on receiving the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame 2023 Bruce Prentice Family Legacy Award.

The prestigious award, named in honour of Bruce Prentice, the founder of the [Ontario Sports Hall of Fame](#), was presented to Dr. Tator in recognition of his contribution to sports in Ontario, during an "Induction Ceremony and Community Celebration" at the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame on October 26, 2023.



Dr. Tator graduated from the Temerty Faculty of Medicine in 1961. He performed graduate studies in Neuropathology from 1961 to 1965, receiving his Masters and PhD Degrees from the University of Toronto before entering the Neurosurgery Training program in 1965. He became a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in 1969.

Dr. Tator joined the Neurosurgical Staff at Sunnybrook Medical Centre in 1969. Having served as Neurosurgeon-in-Chief at Sunnybrook from 1974 to 1984, Dr. Tator moved to The Toronto Western Hospital where he became Neurosurgeon-in-Chief from 1985 to 1988, and then head of the Division of Neurosurgery at the University Health Network.

He was appointed Chairman of the Division of Neurosurgery at the University of Toronto for a 10-year term beginning 1989. He is currently Professor in the U of T Department of Surgery, and Emeritus Scientist at the Krembil Brain Institute, University Health Network. His main clinical and research interests are in the pathophysiology and treatment of spinal cord injury and concussions. He is Director of the Canadian Concussion Centre, Toronto Western Hospital.

He is an Officer of the Order of Canada and an inductee in the Canadian Sports Hall of Fame.

Congratulations on this achievement, Dr. Tator.

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