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Mosman paediatric neurologist acknowledged for outstanding contribution to health

Paediatric neurologist Emeritus Professor Robert Ouvrier OAM has been acknowledged by Australasia's largest specialist medical college, The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) for his outstanding contribution to the field of health over the past 40 years.

Professor Ouvrier received the prestigious award recently in front of family and his physician colleagues at a special ceremony at the Boronia Tearooms, Mosman, Sydney.

Professor Ouvrier is one of eight Fellows across Australia and New Zealand who have been acknowledged for their significant contribution to the field of health through philanthropic, research or educational activities as part of the RACP's 75th Anniversary celebrations.

Professor Kathryn North, supported by Professor David Burke and Emeritus Professor John Pollard nominated, Professor Ouvrier for the award.

"Professor Ouvrier is truly a gentleman and a scholar of the highest repute and has sustained outstanding service in the areas of teaching, research and leadership over the past 40 years," Professor North said.

Professor Ouvrier specialises in the field of paediatric neurology and has committed his professional life to this specialty interest.

Professor Ouvrier is internationally recognised as a leader in paediatric neurology, evidenced by his achievements as Emeritus Professor of Paediatric Neurology (Sydney University) and President of the International Child Neurology Association. Professor Ouvrier played a key role in establishing and leading the Institute for Neuromuscular Research at the Children's Hospital Westmead, Sydney.

As well as being a celebrated clinical leader in his field, Professor Ouvrier is also recognised for his remarkable output of more than 150 original research articles, 26 book chapters and two books, and has given over 60 invited lectures internationally, mainly on peripheral neuropathies (damage or disease affecting nerves).

He is also an advocate for children and adolescents affected by Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease and peripheral neuropathies.

Professor Ouvrier has also dedicated himself to his role as a medical leader and educator. He has made an unwavering commitment to teaching, mentoring and leading young researchers and physicians in Australia and in 30 other countries. Professor Ouvrier was admitted as Fellow of the College in 1973.

Each award winner received a unique glass artwork by acclaimed international hot glass artist, Tina Cooper.

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