

## Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award



The Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award honors Designated Institutional Officials (DIOs) who have demonstrated excellence in overseeing residency programs at their sponsoring institutions. DIOs have authority and responsibility for all graduate medical education programs in a teaching hospital, community hospital or other type of institution that sponsors residency programs.



### **Ronald G. Amedee, MD**

Designated Institutional Official  
Ochsner Health System  
New Orleans, Louisiana

### **Nominators had this to say:**

“Dr. Amedee strives to perfect the educational environment in a collaborative approach amongst members of the GME with resident input in an effort that is fair and dignified. As a mentor, despite his many activities, Dr. Amedee is consistently approachable to provide resources or advice for learners and educators. His focus is to impart a high-quality education with equal balance of support and well-being for all involved.”

“He has been instrumental in the creation of several new programs over the last few years at Ochsner, providing the necessary guidance and leadership required. Along with fostering new programs, Dr. Amedee has worked hand in hand with several of the institutional program directors to significantly improve leadership and internal faculty development throughout the institution. He has been a tremendous resident and fellow advocate promoting education over service, and has been steadfast in his dedication to furthering the educational experience at Ochsner. Always seeking resident and fellow input to insure the appropriate changes were made.”