Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award

for Program Director Excellence



The Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award honors program directors who find innovative ways to teach residents/fellows and to provide quality health care while remaining connected to the initial impulse to care for others in this environment. The ACGME congratulates the 2018 recipients of the Courage to Teach Award.



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Nominators had this to say:

"Dr. Manning spends her first day of a wards rotation assessing the entire team and outlining how she will challenge everyone to reach his or her full potential. Rather than focusing solely on medical knowledge, she considers all of the ACGME Core Competencies when determining the needs of each learner and then serves as a team leader and coach to ensure that everyone leaves changed in tangible ways. For example, when an intern struggles with

consolidating information into a concise patient presentation, she focuses on sharpening his communication skills."

"Kimberly has developed exciting, original programs at Emory. A signature contribution is Bite Sized Teaching, or (BeaST mode teaching), a novel educational conference. In BeaST mode, residents present 8-minute talks using innovative presentation styles to highlight teaching points, improve retention, and keep learning fun. The series won Best Conference Award its first year, and has been adopted at other institutions around the country. These efforts, to use her slogan, keep #everybodylearning, #everybodyteaching."