The University of Queensland Ochsner Clinical School
2011 Teaching Awards

Recipient

Associate Professor Richard Deichmann, MD
Deputy Head of Clinical School, Students
Program Director, Internal Medicine
Primary Care/General Practice

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Genuinely cares about the success of his students
- Goes beyond the scope of his position as a CP Supervisor to ensure the success of his students, both during and after their rotation
- A very knowledgeable teacher, enthusiastic mentor, and compassionate physician
- Always goes out of his way to ensure the best learning environment is available
- An excellent candidate to win the teaching award
- Provides good critical feedback, helpful in improving clinical skills
- Takes a genuine interest in us as people, not just students
- Always available to help with problems or just have a chat

Nominees

Brandy Panunti, MD
Course Director, Medical Specialties I
Program Director, Endocrinology

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Always available and happy to answer questions and offer feedback
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- Provides good critical feedback, helpful in improving clinical skills
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William Carter, MD
Associate Program Director, 3rd Year Medicine

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Has a positive impact on my learning every day
- Has a style in practicing medicine not typical of a physician of his demographics
- Many young doctors are intensely ambitious, incurably impatient, and do not manage to make time for teaching. Dr. Carter taught at the bedside of every patient.
- Allows even the most straightforward of cases as an opportunity to give insight on fluid replacement, anti-hypertensives, or the labyrinthine world of obtaining placements for patients in assisted living
- Puts an emphasis on bringing a broad perspective to the care of each patient
- Possesses an algorithmic thought pattern that I learned to admire
- After my time on Dr. Carter’s service, I realized I was emulating his method of starting with the big issues and not getting bogged down in the details until all simple explanations had been considered.
- I am certain my development as a student of medicine got a terrific boost from Dr. Carter

Thomas Moore, MD
Chairman, Infectious Disease

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Dr. Moore had didactic sessions before rounds almost everyday
- Prepared cases for us to look over and formulated differential diagnosis and management plans
- Always available and happy to answer questions and offered feedback without being judgmental
- Excellent teacher with a wealth of knowledge to share

Sangeeta Shah, MD
Program Director, Gastroenterology
Director, Cardiac MRI
Adult Congenital Heart Disease

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Great teacher, constantly guided me throughout the rotation
- Provides excellent teaching
- Always pushing me to work harder
- Possesses all the great qualities a compassionate doctor should have

Associate Professor Leonardo Seoane, MD
Deputy Head of Clinical School, Curriculum
4th Year Medical Specialties I, Surgical Specialties II
(Medical ICU & Critical Care)

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Truly cares about medical students
- Always tries to ensure students are able to experience as much as possible and takes every chance possible to create teaching opportunities
- Makes every effort to really include students into the team, which made me as a student care more about being there and trying to work harder for him and the team
- Enthusiasm and energy for teaching and medicine was infectious and led me to be more interested and invested in patient care
- Medical education would be a much more fulfilling and richer experience, if every doctor was like Dr. Seoane, which makes it all the more important to acknowledge and honor his contribution to student education

Rajasekharan Warrier, MD
Director, Cardiovascular MRI
Program Director, Cardiology

Nomination Comments from Medical Students:
- Truly devoted to teaching medical students
- Always imparted his knowledge and experiences
- Inspires us to become better doctors for our patients
- Excellent and enthusiastic teaching of students and residents in all aspects of pediatrics
- Extremely generous with his time
- Approachable and friendly
- Provides a great end of rotation board review
- One of the most wonderful role models and human beings I have come across in my short medical career
- Caring, compassionate, dedicated, and pushes students to the limit of their knowledge, while always providing encouragement and positive reinforcement for students’ learning
- It was a privilege to get to spend some time with Dr. Warrier

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