

COUNCIL MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Purpose

The Council Meritorious Service Award is presented to a member of the College who has served as a councillor or alternate councillor and in that capacity has made consistent contributions to the growth and maturation of the ACEP Council. The ACEP Council is the forum in which chapter and section of membership representatives both elect and provide guidance to the Board of Directors.

Award

The Council Meritorious Service Award is a walnut plaque featuring the Council logo. The recipient's name is inscribed on a master plaque at ACEP Headquarters.

Criteria

Any member of the College may nominate a past or current councillor or alternate councillor for this award. The nominee must be a regular member of the College. The nominee's contributions to the Council should include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: Steering Committee membership; reference committee participation; participation on other Council committees; resolution development and debate; longevity as a councillor; or service as a Council officer.

Past Recipients

1986	Jack Page	2004	Arlo Weltge
1987	Ronald Crowell	2005	Peter J. Jacoby
1988	Peter Fahrney	2005	Robert C. Solomon
1989	Pamela Bensen	2006	Mark L. DeBard
1990	John Rupke	2007	Diana Fite
1991	Tina Blair	2008	Charles Henrichs
1992	Stephen Cantrill	2009	Robert Malinowski
1992	Edward Draper	2010	David E. Wilcox
1992	Paul Pomeroy	2011	Marilyn J. Heine
1993	Marvin Leibovich	2012	James D. Thompson
1994	Peter Sawchuk	2013	Robert M. Roth
1995	James Antinori	2014	Catherine A. Marco
1996	Ronald Krome	2015	Andrew I. Bern
1997	Michael Bresler	2016	Marco Coppola
1998	Dennis Whitehead	2017	Kelly Gray-Eurom
1999	Brian Keaton	2018	James C. Mitchiner
1999	David Overton	2019	John H. Proctor
2000	Stephen Groth	2020	Michael McCrea
2000	John Lumpkin	2021	Sanford H. Herman
2001	Michael Hill	2022	James B. Aiken
2001	Mark Lindsey	2023	Gary R. Katz
2002	Louise Andrew	2024	Tom J. Sugarman
2002	Nicholas Jouriles	2025	Thom R. Mitchell
2003	Marsha Ford		

Entry Procedures

Any member may nominate a member by submitting a completed nomination form. Submit the nomination form, a brief curriculum vitae highlighting Council service, and up to 3 letters of support through the online nomination form located on the ACEP website. Letters of support are greatly encouraged and are at the discretion of the nominator. Additionally, a nominee should have only one nomination whether from a chapter, committee, section, or individual. All entries must be submitted no later than March 16, 2026, for consideration by the Council Awards Committee. Please follow up if you do not receive a confirmation.

Judging

The Council Awards Committee, consisting of current and past councillors appointed by the Speaker, will judge the entries. The decision of the judges is final, and the judges reserve the right to make no award if there are no nominees of sufficient merit.



COUNCIL TEAMWORK AWARD

Purpose

Presented to a component body or group of councillors to recognize outstanding contributions and participation in Council activities. The award is given as needed, not necessarily annually.

Award

The award is a certificate or trophy (depending on the number of recipients) inscribed with the name of each recipient.

Criteria

Contributions to be recognized may include development of important resolutions, significant contributions to Council discussions, etc.

Past Recipients

- 2007 David Wilcox, MD, FACEP, and EMF Match Donors
- 2008 Certification and Emergency Medicine Workforce Section
- 2009 Emergency Medicine Residents' Association
- 2010 James Antinori, MD, FACEP, and the Small Chapter & Sections Caucus
- 2011 Wellness Section
- 2012 Angela Siler-Fisher, MD, FACEP, and the TX Chapter EM Futures Program
- 2013 John Moorhead, MD, FACEP, and the AMA Section Council on Emergency Medicine
- 2015 Rural Emergency Medicine Section
- 2016 Emergency Medicine Residents' Association (EMRA)
- 2017 Government Services Chapter
- 2018 Washington Chapter
- 2019 Anne Zink, Laura Tilley, Brad Gruehn, and SHIELDS Team
- 2020 Harrison Alter, MD, FACEP; Marc Futernick, MD, FACEP; Aimee Moulin, MD, FACEP
John J. Rogers, MD, CPE, FACEP
- 2021 John D. Bibb, MD, FACEP, Fred Dennis, MD, MBA, FACEP, Donald E. Stader III, MD, FACEP, Eric Ketcham, MD, MBA, FACEP, Alexis LaPietra, DO, FACEP
- 2022 Louisiana Chapter
- 2023 Pain & Addiction Medicine Section
- 2024 Katherine L. Staats, MD, FACEP
- 2024 Alexandra "Niki" Thran, MD, FACEP
- 2025 AMA Emergency Medicine Section Council

Entry Procedures

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COUNCIL HORIZON AWARD

Purpose

Presented to an individual within the first five years of Council service who demonstrates outstanding contributions and participation in Council activities. The award is given as warranted, not necessarily annually.

Award

The award is a “star” trophy inscribed with the name of the recipient.

Criteria

The nominee should have made an outstanding contribution to the Council.

Past Recipients

2007	John Milne, MD, FACEP
2008	Angela Siler Fisher, MD, FACEP
2008	Catherine Marco, MD, FACEP
2009	Jeremy Rogers, MD and William Mallon, MD, FACEP
2010	Abhi Mehrotra, MD, FACEP, and Jennifer Wiler, MD, FACEP
2011	Gary Katz, MD, MBA, FACEP, and Christopher Weaver, MD, FACEP
2012	Heather Farley, MD, FACEP, and Nathaniel Schlicher, MD, JD
2014	Michael McCrea, MD, FACEP
2015	Enrique Enguidanos, MD, FACEP
2016	Alison Haddock, MD, FACEP, and Liam T. Yore, MD, FACEP
2017	Laura Medford-Davis, MD
2018	Lisa Maurer, MD, FACEP
2019	Zachary J. Jarou, MD
2020	Theresa Tran, MD, FACEP
2021	Hilary E. Fairbrother, MD, FACEP
2022	Scott H. Pasichow, MD, MPH, FACEP, and Michael Ruzek, DO, FACEP
2023	George RJ Sontag, MD
2024	Kelly E. Quinley, MD
2024	Sophia Spadafore, MD
2025	Joshua da Silva, DO
2025	Amanda K. Irish, MD, MPH, MS

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COUNCIL CURMUDGEON AWARD

Purpose

Recognize, in a lighthearted way, deserving Council participants that have contributed to the Annual Meeting in a unique, eccentric, humorous (sly wit), or cleverly astute manner. Despite the name, the award is intended to congratulate those who have offered the Council a sense of reality, honesty, focus, and practicality, but without the usual personal encumbrance of political correctness, undue sensibility, or inhibition.

Award

The award is inscribed with the name of the recipient and the description of “curmudgeon.”

Criteria

The Curmudgeon Award will be presented to current or former Council participants (i.e., Councillor or Alternate Councillor, President, Speaker, ACEP staff, etc.) that have embodied the essence of the description above.

Past Recipients

2007	Ronald Krome, MD, FACEP(E)
2008	Peter Viccellio, MD, FACEP
2009	Greg Henry, MD, FACEP
2010	Peter Sawchuk, MD
2011	Todd Taylor, MD, FACEP
2012	Dennis Whitehead, MD, FACEP
2013	Peter Jacoby, MD, FACEP
2014	Larry Bedard, MD, FACEP
2015	Richard Stennes, MD, MBA, FACEP
2016	R. Myles Riner, MD, FACEP
2017	Pamela P. Bensen, MD, MS, FACEP
2018	Charles Pattavina, MD, FACEP
2019	Bradford L. Walters, MD, FACEP
2020	William K. Mallon, MD, FACEP
2021	David T. Overton, MD, FACEP
2022	Marsha D. Ford, MD, FACEP
2023	John D. Bibb, MD, FACEP
2024	Phillip Luke LeBas, MD, FACEP
2025	David S. McClellan, MD, FACEP

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COUNCIL CHAMPION IN ACCESS, BELONGING, & COMMUNITY AWARD

Purpose

The award celebrates and promotes diversity of experience and thought, the merit of belonging, and the value of community. It is presented to a councillor, group of councillors, or component body that has demonstrated a sustained commitment to fostering involvement and an environment that promotes equal opportunities that directly enhances the work of the Council and provides excellence to ACEP.

Award

The award features the recipient's name and the ACEP logo. The recipient's name will be inscribed on a master plaque at ACEP Headquarters.

Criteria

The nominee should exemplify service to the College through the promotion of access, belonging, and community. The nominee must demonstrate evidence of having a commitment to leadership and/or membership and/or initiatives related to access, belonging, and community for all members through mentorship, programmatic activities, professional development, and other contributions specifically purposed to promote the mission, support the policies, and enhance the work of the Council and the specialty of emergency medicine. The nominee must demonstrate the ideals of this award through, but not limited to, distinction in one or more of the following areas:

- **Leadership** in promoting a culture of access, belonging, and community.
- **Commitment** to promoting enhanced awareness of issues on access, belonging, and community.
- **Policy** development and implementation that promotes access, belonging, and community.
- **Mentorship** through the provision of opportunities and initiatives that promote equal opportunity to practice emergency medicine and equal access to leadership pipeline initiatives.
- **Innovation** through implementation of transformative ideas pertaining to access, belonging, and community in patient care, career/professional development, education, research and/or service.

Past Recipients

2018	Aisha T. Liferidge, MD, FACEP	2022	Ramon W. Johnson, MD, FACEP
2019	Bruce Lo, MD, FACEP	2023	Adetolu Odufuye, MD, FACEP (Posthumously)
2020	Andrea L. Green, MD, FACEP	2024	Nicholas F. Vasquez, MD, FACEP
2021	Rebecca B. Parker, MD, FACEP		

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