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RESOLUTION: 20(20)

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SUBJECT: Kayce Anderson Award for Excellence in Innovations in the ED Care of Patients with Substance Use & Behavioral Health Issues

**PURPOSE:** Create an annual award to honor emergency physicians named in memory of Kayce Anderson who have led the way in improving the care of patients with substance use and behavioral health issues.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Budgeted staff resources for development and administration of the award. Approximately \$500 for a master plaque at ACEP headquarters with the names of each year's recipient(s). Potential \$2,300 additional costs to include in the annual budget for cost of the award and travel expenses and waived registration fee to attend *Scientific Assembly* the year the award is received.

1 WHEREAS, The U.S. death toll from substance use and suicide exceeds 160,000 people annually causing the  
2 average life span to decline; and

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4 WHEREAS, These afflictions are often chronic and relapsing and it is difficult to substantially alter the  
5 course in one ED visit; and

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7 WHEREAS, Effective treatment and referral are necessary for long-term beneficial outcomes; and

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9 WHEREAS, Successful innovations have been initiated by ED physicians in recent years, for example, the  
10 provision of ED social workers, effective referrals to outpatient care, and the initiation of buprenorphine in  
11 appropriate patients; and

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13 WHEREAS, These advances in ED care have significantly improved the lives of many patients; and

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15 WHEREAS, The joy of the practice of emergency medicine has been augmented by being able to offer these  
16 patients better care; and

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18 WHEREAS, There is still a very substantial unmet need in the care of these patients; and

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20 WHEREAS, These innovations should be publicized to further improve care; and

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22 WHEREAS, An award for emergency physicians who have made innovations in the care of these patients  
23 may be used by the College to promote public relations; and

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25 WHEREAS, Kayce Anderson, daughter of Stephen Anderson, MD, FACEP, and Kathy Anderson died of an  
26 opioid overdose, and her loss is symbolic of the profound effect mental health disorders and substance use disorders  
27 have on our patients, our own families, and each of us personally; therefore be it

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29 RESOLVED, That ACEP honor emergency physicians with an annual award named in memory of Kayce  
30 Anderson who have led the way in improving the care of patients with substance use and behavioral health issues.

## **Background**

This resolution seeks to create an annual award to honor emergency physicians named in memory of Kayce Anderson who have led the way in improving the care of patients with substance use and behavioral health issues.

ACEP has a robust awards program that recognizes leadership and excellence and provides an opportunity to recognize members for significant professional contributions as well as service to the College. Ten awards are administered by the Awards Committee, five awards by the Academic Affairs Committee, one award by the Disaster Preparedness & Response Committee, two awards by the Emergency Medicine Practice Committee, one award by the National/Chapter Relations Committee, two awards by the Public Relations Committee, one award by the Well-Being Committee, and 5 awards by the Council Awards Committee.

It is not known whether eligibility for this proposed award is intended to be limited to ACEP members or if non-members would also be eligible for nomination. The actual award criteria, eligibility, and benefits associated with receiving the award would need to be determined by the Board of Directors.

ACEP has several awards named in honor of prominent individuals who have had a significant impact on the College and emergency medicine:

- The John G. Wiegenstein Leadership Award is named after one of ACEP's eight founding members and first president. It is ACEP's highest award.
- The James D. Mills Outstanding Contribution to Emergency Medicine Award is named after ACEP's second president and the designer of the "Alexandria Plan" for staffing emergency facilities with full-time practitioners of emergency medicine.
- The John A. Rupke Legacy Award is named after one of ACEP's eight founding members and is given for outstanding lifetime contributions to the College.
- The Pamela P. Bensen Trailblazer Award is named after the first woman resident in emergency medicine who was also the first woman elected to the national ACEP Board of Directors.
- The Judith E. Tintinalli Award for Outstanding Contribution in Education is named after the author of one of the premier emergency medicine textbooks.
- The Colin C. Rorrie, Jr, PhD Award for Excellence in Health Policy is named after ACEP's second executive director who was instrumental in the development of ACEP's Washington office and in elevating the stature of emergency medicine's advocacy efforts.
- The Diane K. Bollman Chapter Advocate Award is named after the former executive director of the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians who served in that role for 25 years.

ACEP sections also have the ability to create and administer awards. Another option for administration of this award is through the Pain Management & Addiction Medicine Section.

## **ACEP Strategic Plan Reference**

Goal 2 – Enhance Membership Value and Member Engagement

Objective F – Provide and enhance leadership development and recognition and strengthen liaison relationships with other emergency medicine organizations.

## **Fiscal Impact**

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**Prior Council Action**

None that is specific to recognizing innovations in the ED care of patients with substance use and behavioral health issues.

**Prior Board Action**

The Board has approved the creation of many awards but none that is specific to recognizing innovations in the ED care of patients with substance use and behavioral health issues.

The Board approves ACEP award recipients each year.

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