

Dear Penn Medicine Colleagues:

The Academy of Master Clinicians <http://www.med.upenn.edu/fapd/academy-of-master-clinicians/> was launched in 2013 to recognize those Penn Medicine clinicians who exemplify the highest standards of clinical excellence, humanism and professionalism. To date, 66 world class Penn Medicine physicians have been selected through a rigorous nomination and review process. Master Clinicians have met monthly to focus on important issues of Penn Medicine and to develop innovative programs to benefit medical students, residents and faculty and to provide exceptional patient care.

We are pleased to announce a call for nominations for the next class of The Academy of Master Clinicians. The process for membership is highly selective. The requirements are set forth as follows:

"Election to The Academy of Master Clinicians is envisioned to be the highest clinical honor to be bestowed on a Penn physician. A Master Clinician will be distinguished by a superior depth of knowledge in their field and a willingness to pursue new knowledge. A Master Clinician is recognized for exceptional clinical skills, excellent judgment, integrity, and exemplary interpersonal and communication skills with patients and colleagues at all levels, and as a committed and supportive team player. A Master Clinician treats all patients equally, acts as a patient advocate, and demonstrates compassion and empathy toward patients. A Master Clinician is an outstanding educator. A Master Clinician serves as a role model and mentor who exemplifies the highest levels of professionalism and positively influences the collegial culture of Penn Medicine." Professionalism, a core value of Penn Medicine, will be a particularly significant criterion for selection.

The Master Clinician also must exhibit these qualities over at least six years of clinical practice. Master Clinicians must have an M.D. or M.D./Ph.D. degree or equivalent.

Being selected for The Academy of Master Clinicians is not a one-time award but an ongoing commitment. Master Clinicians will receive a one-time financial award of \$7,500 and more time to dedicate to educational and training pursuits. The Academy is supported by major philanthropic gifts and by Penn Medicine.

Any Penn Medicine employee can nominate a physician for the Academy. Active practice clinicians at all Penn entities (HUP, Penn Presbyterian Medical Center, Pennsylvania Hospital, Chester County Hospital, Lancaster General Hospital, Penn Medicine at Rittenhouse and Clinical Care Associates) and including those at CHOP and the Veteran's Affairs Medical Center are eligible with the exception of department chairs. The Academy of Master Clinicians Selection Committee, made up of past I.S. Ravdin Master Clinician Award winners, several current Master Clinicians, and others designated by the Dean will select the members of the next class.

A full description of the program including the names of the members of The Academy of Master Clinicians and information on the process for nominating candidates for the next class can be found on <http://www.med.upenn.edu/fapd/academy-of-master-clinicians/> Nomination packets should be sent electronically to Victoria Mulhern at vmulhern@upenn.edu. **The deadline for nomination is October 6, 2017.**

We are delighted by the engagement and enthusiasm of the Master Clinicians and thank them for their dedication. The contributions of the members of The Academy of Master Clinicians serve to advance the core values of Penn Medicine, contribute to our goals of excellence in patient care, enhance the education and training experiences of our students and trainees, promote professionalism in all areas, and expand professional development opportunities for our physicians. We also thank Dr. John Glick and Dr. Jack Ende who provide outstanding leadership.

Sincerely,



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