Accepting Nominations: Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award

Please submit your faculty nomination for the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award presented by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation.

If you are interested in nominating a candidate, please send a one-page nomination letter electronically to Jon.Morris@pennmedicine.edu by Friday, February 28th. The Committee will only accept one single nomination letter from the nominator. No other supporting information (nominee’s CV, additional letters, etc) will be considered.

This award is given annually to a faculty member in the Perelman School of Medicine who fulfills the following criteria:

- Consistently demonstrates compassion and empathy in the delivery of care to patients
- Serves as a role model - illustrates professional behavior by example -- for students and colleagues
- Is approachable and accessible to students
- Welcomes opportunities for teaching and one-on-one mentorships with students
- Exhibits enthusiasm and skill in professional and personal interactions with students
- Shows respect for everyone
- Demonstrates cultural sensitivity in working with patients and family members of diverse ethnic or religious backgrounds
- Adheres to professional and ethical standards
- Effectively identifies emotional concerns of patients and family members
- Engenders trust and confidence
- Displays competence in scientific endeavors
- Displays effective communication and listening skills
- Shows respect for the patient’s viewpoint
- Adheres to professional and ethical standards
- Is sensitive to the patient’s psychological well-being
- Understands patients’ need for interpretation of complex medical diagnoses and treatments and makes an effort to ensure patient comprehension - shows respect for the patient’s viewpoint
- Committed to reflection and objective self –evaluation of his/her skills

The awardee will be recognized at the Perelman School of Medicine Graduation on Sunday, May 17th at 9:00am at the Kimmel Center. Previous award winners from the past five years are not eligible and include:

2015: Wynne Morrison, MD

2016: Carol Chua, MD

2017: Anthony Rostain, MD

2018: Prithvi Sankar, MD

2019: Nadia Dowshen, MD