

Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award Recipients
For Program Director Excellence 2013



The ACGME is proud to announce the ten recipients of the 2013 Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award, which honors program directors who find innovative ways to teach residents and to provide quality health care while remaining connected to the initial impulse to care for others in this environment. Parker J. Palmer is the author of the book *The Courage to Teach* and whose promotion of the concept of "living divided no more" has proven relevant to teaching in academic health centers. Congratulations to this year's recipients!



Bryan L. Martin, DO

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Nominators had this to say:

“Program Directors, in a very real sense, are the ‘CEO’ of teachers who define the mission, vision, and culture of their programs. As evidence of how highly Dr. Martin honors this responsibility, his recruitment package included a commitment to start an ACGME Allergy/Immunology program at The Ohio State University (OSU) with [the] vision that it would be a joint program with Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH). One of the first experiences we, as fellows, had with him was seeing his ‘Introduction to Immunology’ lecture. This involved him acting as a Natural Killer cell and gesticulating wildly to demonstrate the actions of IL-2. While it would have been easier to do it alone, the collaboration enables him to develop the absolutely best possible training program, as recognized by the recent five year accreditation and outstanding match results. Several times prior to his arrival in Columbus, he came to NCH to discuss how we could work together to offer the very best fellowship possible.”

“Dr. Martin recognizes the critical importance of a leadership succession plan. He has an Associate Program Director who is blossoming under his tutelage, and who is taking a greater and greater leadership role at OSU, NCH, and nationally. This is probably the greatest compliment to his teaching excellence -he gives his learners the wings to fly.”