Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award Recipients

For Program Director Excellence 2014



The ACGME is proud to announce the ten recipients of the 2014 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!



Art Walaszek, MD

Program Director for Psychiatry University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health Madison, WI

Nominators had this to say:

""Art has his door open at all times unless seeing patients. I never thought I would have such great support from my program director in residency. What a gift. He makes each of us feel important and capable -- providing just the

right level of support. He is one of the main reasons I rave about our psychiatry residency program and try to recruit everywhere I go. "

"At the national level, Dr. Walaszek has served on the Executive Council of the American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training since 2008 and will be President of that organization in 20 16. He also recently served as the 2012 Annual Meeting Program Chair of the Association for Academic Psychiatry. Additionally, Dr. Walaszek has served as a mentor to many faculty clinician-educators through his chairing of their promotions committees, and to innumerable residents. Dr. Walaszek was visionary in his becoming one of the first psychiatry residency programs to implement a quality improvement curriculum and has published and presented it nationally. In summary, Dr. Walaszek is the whole package: a medical education leader with visionary thinking for the future of residency training, a gifted clinician, and a role model."