

David C. Leach Award



In honor of former ACGME Executive Director David C. Leach, MD (1997-2007) and his contributions to resident education and wellbeing, the ACGME created this award in 2008. This award is unique in that it acknowledges and honors residents, fellows, and resident/fellow teams and their contributions to graduate medical education. The ACGME congratulates the 2016 recipients of the David C. Leach, MD Award.



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Nominators had this to say:

“The chief residents of 2013-2014 created the “Supervising and Teaching as Residents with Safety (STaRS)” rotation for the Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) categorical pediatric training program. This activity was targeted to increase the program’s emphasis on educational outcomes and foster innovation and improvement in the

learning environment.”

“The STaRS rotation as a four week, mandatory “capstone” to provide senior residents with practical experience that matures and broadens their teaching skills. The goals of the curriculum are to increase the confidence and teaching skills of senior residents and to enhance resident knowledge and practice of patient safety techniques. The objectives are to 1) provide residents time to focus on applying adult learning theory to effectively teach and provide feedback to students, interns, and peers, 2) develop a repertoire of teaching and supervision methods to be used as soon to be faculty/fellow clinician-educators, 3) practice a scholarly approach to teaching and patient safety and 4) have experiential learning opportunities for patient safety, teaching, and observation and feedback of learners. The resident learning objectives are to 1) improve bedside teaching and didactic skills, 2) improve feedback and supervisory skills, 3) take a leadership role in the collection, identification and reporting of safety issues, and 4) brainstorm and offer solutions to safety issues that occur in the hospital and then communicate these solutions back to the pediatric residents.”