2012 Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award Recipients

for Program Director Excellence

D. Scott Gantt, D.O., FACC, FSCAI
Cardiovascular Disease
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Nominators had this to say:

"Under his direction, Scott & White was one of the first institutions nationally to enroll in the National Cardiovascular Disease Registry (NCDR), now the premier registry for data collection and benchmarking cardiovascular outcomes. He has continued his focus on the treatment of myocardial infarction with percutaneous coronary interventions, enrolling Scott & White in nationally Quality Improvements initiatives, first with the Door-to-Balloon (D2B) Program sponsored by the American College of Cardiology, followed by the ongoing Mission Lifeline initiatives sponsored by the American Heart Association. Along with these efforts, he has directed ongoing improvements of the training programs in Cardiovascular Diseases and Interventional Cardiology during the transition into competency based medical education."

“Dr. Gantt realized many years ago that in addition to teaching physicians, education must extend to other key members of the healthcare team. A wonderful example of this is when Dr. Gantt and his fellows developed and promoted the use of simulators for the multidisciplinary education of treatment of acute myocardial infarction. Our institution partnered in the construction of a modern Simulation Center that is being used by Cardiology trainees for their education. To promote team education in the care of myocardial infarction and under the direct leadership of Dr. Gantt, his team utilized the simulation center to develop a regional system for care of patients with ST elevation myocardial infarction. Their innovative curriculum lead to the education of physicians, nurses and support staff (EMS) and resulted in significant improvements in team coordination and outcomes in the care of acute myocardial infarction.”