David C. Leach Award

In honor of former ACGME Executive Director David C. Leach, MD (1997-2007) and his contributions to resident education and well-being, 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 2018 recipients of the David C. Leach, MD Award.

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About the project:
“Academy of Resident Educators (AORE): The longitudinal lecture series organized by Jon and his colleagues have been very well attended (approximately 20-30 residents per event). For the chalk talk workshops in particular, Jon collaborated with his co-leaders to conduct an ongoing evaluation of the efficacy of this curricular innovation and to expand the workshops beyond internal medicine residents to include other trainees from different disciplines. Jon's involvement in AORE will further affect education and patient care through other upcoming projects, including a pilot “how to be an upper level” boot camp for July 2017.”

“Jon is also a leader of our Internal Medicine Diversity Council (IMDC), which seeks to promote the values of diversity and equality in the residency program. Major initiatives have included planning educational lectures for residents, community-building events, and a recruitment program for interns who are under-represented in medicine (URM) and passionate about diversity in medical education. One of Jon’s major efforts this year was a re-design of URM recruitment days, which involved changing pre-interview dinner venues to a resident’s home (to create a more relaxed environment), inviting IMDC resident members to attend the dinners, organizing interview day lectures on healthcare disparities during noon conference, and requesting IMDC faculty members to serve as interviewers.”