2021-2022 Golden Stethoscope Nomination

Nominated for: Demonstrating Leadership

Name of Nominee Kathleen Brimsek

Dr. Kathleen Brimsek is an exceptional example of leadership, fostering curiosity and compassionate care. She gracefully commands respect and seamlessly leads her residents and students. She asks questions in ways that makes me feel empowered and always takes time to thoroughly discuss those that I've missed. When in a room with Dr.Brimsek, I feel like an integral part of the team and when I'm out of the room, I still feel equally important.

I see how much Dr. Brimsek cares about her patients and how much she fosters collaboration in the name of excellent care. Her interactions with faculty and staff are superb and I have yet to see someone seem anything less than comfortable.

In the room, Dr. Brimsek balances care for both patients and parents and I can feel the burden of worry dampen. She is a friend to the little ones, a mentor to the teens and a shoulder to lean on for the parents. Even in rooms where the patient is new, it appears as though she has known them forever.

Her presence is fierce, her leadership is invaluable, and she is an immaculate role model and preceptor.

I am nominating Dr. Brimsek for the "Demonstrating Leadership Golden Stethoscope Award" because to her, leadership is simply a way of life. However, besides demonstrating exemplary leadership, she fosters and encourages it amongst those around her. She is someone who makes medical school just a little easier and I always looked forward to our sessions. I am grateful for people like Dr. Brimsek who remind me why I am going into medicine and who I want to be.

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