

Honors Convocation Program

Brian Dwinnell, M.D.
Associate Dean, Student Life
Presiding

Student and Faculty Awards
Thursday, May 26, 2022
Elliman Conference Center, Anschutz Health Sciences Building
3:00 – 4:30 pm

OPENING REMARKS & WELCOME

John J. Reilly, Jr., M.D.
Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and Dean, School of Medicine

DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

Department of Anesthesiology

Robert W. Virtue Award: Alexander Shu

For a medical student in Anesthesia who has exhibited the most concern for patients

C. Walter Metz Award: Beshoy Tawfix

For excellence in performance in Anesthesiology

Cynthia Hampson Award: Vikasini Mahalingam

For excellence in Anesthesia with the intent to pursue a career in Anesthesiology

Department of Endocrinology

For a student with demonstrated interest in and/or academic performance in endocrinology.

Department of Family Medicine:

Pisacano Award: Christine Krentz & Kiyomi (Ariel) Daoud

For the senior entering Family Medicine who best models the characteristics of Dr. Nicholas Pisacano: scholarship, leadership, and service

Colorado AHEC System Rural Healthcare Outstanding Achievement: Riannon Atwater

For outstanding achievement by an individual who is committed to serving to improve the healthcare for the rural population of Colorado

Felix Martinez, M.D. Memorial Award: Alyssa Hill, Andrew Ormsby, Frankie Jeney, Kris Simon & Zachary Horwitz

For senior(s) entering Family Medicine who best models the qualities, character, and service of the late Dr. Felix Martinez

Department of Medicine:

John Ryan Award: Melissa Johnson

For outstanding work in Internal Medicine

Gold Headed Cane Award: Lauren Heery

For a senior student who shows exemplary promise as an outstanding physician

Thomas Neff Award: Ellen Clark

For the senior student who has demonstrated unique humanitarian concerns toward the total health and well-being of patients with unrelenting patience and compassion

American College of Physicians Award: Roxana Tabrizi

For exemplary performance and outstanding promise in medicine

James Waring Award: Jacob Michalski

Diligent scholarship and devotion to duty in the field of Internal Medicine

Department of Neurology

Stuart Schneck, M.D. Endowed Award: Saori Haigo

For a senior student who has demonstrated academic excellence and outstanding performance in Neurology with exceptional humanism in all interactions.

Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology:

University of Colorado Excellence in Obstetrics and Gynecology Award: Stephanie Nwagwu

For excellence in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Advocacy in Reproductive Access Award: Genna Bonfiglio

For the senior student who promotes advocacy in reproductive access

Dr. Harold and Mrs. Judy Kaye Award: Stephanie Nwagwu

Demonstrated stellar academic performance to students who will pursue specialty training in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Department of Ophthalmology

Ophthalmology Award: Christian Curran

For demonstrated academic excellence and outstanding performance in Ophthalmology.

Frank A. Scott, M.D. Endowed Excellence in Orthopedics Award: Cecile Harange & Katherine Drexelius

Awarded to a graduating student who has demonstrated academic excellence, professionalism, and outstanding performance in orthopedics.

Department of Pathology:

Sara D. Winter, M.D. Award: Devon Pino

For academic achievement with an outstanding commitment to medicine, fellow students, and society

Department of Pediatrics:

Franklin Gengenbach Award: Sean Wickers

For outstanding performance in Pediatrics by a senior student

Lange/McGraw Hill Award: Kelly Wigglesworth

For outstanding performance in Pediatrics by a senior student

The Drs. James and Mary Murphy Award for Excellence in Pediatrics: Edward Soto

For Outstanding Performance in Pediatrics During Medical School

Department of Psychiatry:

Franklin Ebaugh Award: Zaid Al Bahrani

For outstanding performance in Psychiatry by a senior student

Department of Radiology:

Excellence in Radiology Award: Nisha Pradhan

For outstanding performance in Radiology by a senior student

Department of Surgery:

Alden Harken Basic Science Research Award: Kelly Higa & Anessa Sax-Bolder

For outstanding research in Surgery

George Packard Award: Jessica Hall & Madison Harrison

For outstanding performance in Surgery

Owens-Swan Award: JESSICA HALL

For outstanding promise in Surgery

Center for Bioethics and Humanities:

Henry N. Claman M.D. Medical Humanities Award: Amelia Davis & Lauren Heery

For outstanding contributions to the Medical Humanities in healthcare programs

Narrative Medicine Award: Sam Payne

For support of the practice and publication of writing

RESEARCH & PRESENTATION AWARDS

Adler Awards

Elijah Finer
Frankie Jeney
Matt Golub
Christine Krentz
Jessica Monishi

MSA Awards

Phase I Student Choice Presentations

Basic Biomedical Science: Alyssa Shepherd &
Conan Chen

Bioethics, Humanities, Arts & Education:
Oluwatosin Adebisi & Jessica Monishi

Clinical Science: Katherine Belanger & Brian Vu

Global Health: Nguyen Lu & Sarah Hirner

Public Health & Epidemiology: Briana Tolbert &
Allison Moore

Phase IV Student Choice Presentations

Basic Biomedical Science: Anika Suddath &
Pauline Hoosepian-Mer

Bioethics, Humanities, Arts & Education:
Alexander Linse & Oluwatosin Adebisi

Clinical Science: Aaron Smoroda & Eniola
Ogundipe

Global Health: Kylie Van Hoesen & Taylor Davis

Public Health & Epidemiology: Hayley Specht &
James Tuttle

Neil and Catherine Hamilton Award: Jessica Hall
For excellence in research by a senior student

Joseph and Regina Glaser Research Prize: Alison Abele
For superior research by a senior medical student

TEACHING AWARDS

Kaiser Permanente Teaching Awards

Selection by Medical Student Council

Outstanding basic science teacher: **Dr. Austin Butterfield, M.D.**

Outstanding clinical teacher: **Dr. Steve Lowenstein, M.D.**

SERVICE AWARDS

Alex Rodriguez-Prieto Endowed Memorial Award: Dorthy Stearns

For a student who has exceptional motivation and has encouraged and helped their classmates achieve the goal of becoming a physician. *"Though Alex is no longer with us physically, his spirit and memory encourage us each day to strive to be kind and compassionate physicians. The character and friendship he demonstrated set an example for us all, and there is no other student more deserving of this award."* (2013).

Center for COMBAT Scholar Research Award: William Coburn & Casey Weinstein

The University of Colorado Center for COMBAT Research Scholar Award is an honor earned through persistence, tenacity, and academic aspirations to identify and create solutions in Military Medicine to solve the US Military's toughest clinical challenges

Kenneth Atkinson, M.D. Endowed Memorial Scholarship: Frankie Jeney

For a fourth-year medical student pursuing a career in Primary Care with the expressed interest in providing medical care to historically underserved or marginalized communities.

Joseph W. St. Geme Jr., M.D. Award: Dr. Brian Dwinnell

For exceptional ability in promoting the overall mission of the School of Medicine

Medical School Admissions Committee Award: Kelly Wigglesworth

For dedication and service to the Admissions Committee

Honor Council Award: Vikasini Mahalingam

For excellence in furthering the precepts of the Honor Code

Nelson Award: Amelia Davis

For a student entering a primary care residency who has demonstrated academic achievement and a commitment to primary care.

Public Health Service Award: Oluwatosin Adebiyi

The Public Health Service was founded in 1798 to provide medical care to sailors and merchant seamen with yellow fever and malaria. Over the subsequent 220 years, their mission has broadened to deliver health promotion and disease prevention programs to all people.

Richard D. Krugman Award: Troy Kincaid

Richard D. Krugman, M.D. served as Dean of the University of Colorado School of Medicine for 25 years. Fondly known as the “Dean of deans” across the nation, Dr. Krugman established this award for a student who portrays the spirit of service, fosters caring for all people, is compassionate, creates connection, and values innovation.

Robert J. Glaser, M.D. Award: Stephanie Serva

For exceptional leadership and service to the senior class
Selected by the Graduating Class of 2022

Hippocrates Award: Jaslyn Erikson

For a future physician who most completely epitomizes the ideals and noble traditions of the Profession of medicine as set forth by Hippocrates
Selected by the Graduating Class of 2022