2020-2021 Golden Stethoscope Nomination

Nominated for: Best Phase 3 Preceptor

Name of Nominee Dr. Adam Robinson

It is with great enthusiasm that I nominate Dr. Adam Robinson for the Golden Stethoscope Award, Best Phase 3 Preceptor. I have had the pleasure of working with Dr. Robinson as my Pediatrics and Internal Medicine preceptor for the last year through the Colorado Springs Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship (LIC). He is an exemplary preceptor, teacher, mentor and role model for patient care and professional leadership.

Dr. Robinson is an inspiring and engaging teacher. From day one, he included me as part of the healthcare team and allowed me the independence to actively contribute to and participate in a spectrum of patient care, from the healthy-well to the medically and socially complex. What started off as simple history taking and reporting gradually matured to deeper discussions about best practices and goals of care. My learning was enhanced by our selection of weekly pediatric and internal medicine topics that I would research at home and bring to review at each of our sessions together. Dr. Robinson is skillful in connecting text-book medicine to real life clinical care, and it was valuable to have dedicated time to explore these topics together. During clinic, his questions were always thoughtful, challenging and meaningful. He would often ask me to explain pathophysiology to patients, allowing me to demonstrate my knowledge while providing patient education. These are just a few examples of the many ways Dr. Robinson created a fruitful learning environment where I felt challenged, confident, and inspired every day.

The success of the LIC model depends on clinicians, like Dr. Robinson, who understand the goals, benefits and challenges of this learning structure and take the time to facilitate opportunities to maximize its value. He helped me connect with longitudinal panel patients in multiple healthcare settings, for example, notifying me when an infant I had seen for a well child visit later required surgery for testicular torsion a few weeks later. Follow up visits were always scheduled on my clinic days, when possible, allowing me to develop relationships with many patients over time.

As a mentor, Dr. Robinson always made himself available to discuss my interests in medicine as well as my personal and professional goals. He shared valuable advice and insight into future training and career considerations, and I appreciate the relationship we have developed over the last year.

Dr. Robinson is a wonderful role-model of a physician and a community leader. As someone who is interested in primary care, and aware of the art of the physician-patient relationship, I am constantly inspired by Dr. Robinson's patience, grace, and compassion with every single patient he encounters, no matter the complexity or challenges that arise. His professionalism and kindness shines through with his interactions with patients and staff alike. During the COVID pandemic, Dr. Robinson was responsible for implementing Department of Health mandates, protocols and guidelines for Matthews-Vu's multi-specialty clinics. His ability to rise to a challenge in the face of a global pandemic is admirable and a great demonstration of physician leadership.

Dr. Robinson has been a phenomenal preceptor, and I owe much of my growth and career aspirations to the experience of working with him over the last year. It is my pleasure to nominate him for the Golden Stethoscope Award, Best Phase 3 Preceptor.

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