

Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award



The Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award honors program directors who find innovative ways to teach residents and fellows, and to provide quality health care while remaining connected to the initial impulse to care for others in this environment. Parker J. Palmer is the author of the book *The Courage to Teach*; his promotion of the concept of “living divided no more” has proven relevant to teaching in academic health centers.



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Nominators had this to say:

“Dr. Feinman exemplifies the qualities of an outstanding educator, embodying the spirit of the Courage to Teach Award through her dedication, innovation, and unwavering support of residents. Under her leadership, I have experienced, firsthand, her unwavering commitment to nurturing the next generation of health care professionals. Dr. Feinman fosters an inclusive and supportive learning environment where residents feel empowered to explore their interests and develop their skills. She teaches us that learning occurs at all levels and empowers us to succeed both as educators and as lifelong adult learners. Throughout my tenure in the program, Dr. Feinman has consistently demonstrated unparalleled dedication to medical education, inspiring the residents to embody the same passion in our own teaching endeavors. Her innovative teaching methods and genuine enthusiasm for guiding residents have significantly enriched our educational experience and shaped our approach to patient care.”

“Marcie's reputation as a surgical educator extends beyond our walls. The mock orals that she instituted are attended by residents throughout Baltimore, as is an evening journal club. She has built from scratch curricula in faculty development, professionalism, and emotional intelligence. Her service also extends regionally and nationally. She chairs the Committee on Applicants of the Maryland ACS [American College of Surgeons] Chapter and is on the state Committee on Trauma. She has chaired national workgroups for the ACGME residency Milestones and represented the American Board of Surgery on the Entrustable Professional Activities Workgroup.”