

## David C. Leach Award



Named to honor the ACGME's former Executive Director, Dr. David C. Leach (1997-2007) and his commitment to resident education and physician well-being, this award recognizes resident-/fellow-led projects and innovations.



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**About the project:**

Developed by Dr. Lauren Bojarski during her internship, the Virtual Neurology Handbook is an innovative resource enhancing communication, workflow, and patient care in her neurology program. Created using OneNote, it has been accessed over 3,000 times by residents, faculty, and staff, with 93.1 percent finding it useful and many identifying it as their primary reference. The Handbook establishes institutional memory, improves learning equity, and is sustained by a committee that updates it regularly. Recognized nationally with publication in the American Academy of Neurology Education Journal, it has inspired similar projects in other specialties, demonstrating lasting impact on resident training and patient care.

**Nominators had this to say:**

“Dr. Bojarski took significant steps to address physician wellness concerns, particularly focusing on burnout and emotional health. She built a resident wellness committee from the ground up, organized wellness activities, and successfully improved resident participation and wellness scores, making a lasting impact on the culture of wellness in the residency program.”