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FMEC Announces 2022 Award Winners

DAYTON, OHIO – Each year, the Family Medicine Education Consortium (FMEC) seeks to identify and recognize individuals who have demonstrated significant contributions to family medicine and primary care. This annual awards program culminates with presentations of the awards, which occurred September 16-18, 2022, at the FMEC 2022 Annual Meeting in Arlington, Virginia.

The list of 2022 winners is below and also posted on the [FMEC website](#). Detailed information on the recipients including nomination letters and the works of prose and poetry that received the awards are included in the [2022 Award Booklet](#).

A call for nominations for the 2023 awards will be released in the spring of 2023.

Champion of Family Medicine

David Meyers, MD

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Rockville, MD

Family Physicians Changing Our World

Sara G. Shields, M.D., M.S.

Family Health Center
Worcester, MA

Mid-Career Faculty Achievement

Gregory Castelli, PharmD, BCPS, BC-ADM, CDCES

UPMC St. Margaret
Pittsburgh, PA

Mario DeMarco, MD, MPH

Penn Family Care at Penn Medicine University City
Philadelphia, PA

Emerging Leader

Nicholas Hajj, MD

Family Medicine and Community Health, University of Massachusetts Medical School
Barre, MA

This We Believe

Brianna Krewson, MPH, OMS-III – “Harmonious Silence”

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine



Taylor J. Rider – “The Jack of All Trades”
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine

Victoria Ngo – “I Wanted to Tell You”
Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine

Creative Writing

Prose

Davy Ran – “Death and Diet Pepsi” – 1st place prose
University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

William Callahan, DO – “Why Me?” – 2nd place prose
Abington-Jefferson Health

Brianna Krewson, MPH, OMS-III – “Sky” – 3rd place prose
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine

Poetry

Kara Romanowski – “Dignity in the Details” – 1st place poetry
Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine

Allison Ogawa – “Medicine isn’t Faster” – 2nd place poetry
University of Rochester

Kathleen Sweeney, DO – “The Empty Tomb” – 3rd place poetry
UPMC Altoona

Visual Arts

Lisa Gussak, MD – photograph entitled “Shattered: Our Healthcare System in Covid”
UMass Chan Medical School

About the Family Medicine Education Consortium

The FMEC is a catalyst, convener, and incubator that connects family physicians and other stakeholders to improve the health communities by strengthening family medicine, primary care and medical education. The FMEC serves 14 states and the District of Columbia in the northeast region of the U.S., working with 60 medical school departments of family medicine, 190 family medicine residency programs, and thousands of family physicians and other health care providers in community settings. Through an Annual Meeting for nearly 1,000 health professionals, annual awards, learning communities, and quality improvement projects, the FMEC inspires medical students to seek careers in family medicine, strengthens academic family medicine through faculty development and leadership experiences, and stimulates innovative approaches to primary care service delivery.