



***Herbert S. Waxman Award for Outstanding Medical Student
Educator***

J. Scott Neumeister, MD FACP

This award recognizes an ACP member who is an internal medicine interest group leader, clinical clerkship director, program director or faculty member who spends a significant amount of time teaching medical students.

Dr. Neumeister was selected by the American College of Physicians to receive the Herbert S. Waxman Award for Outstanding Medical Student Educators. He completed medical school and his Internal Medicine Residency at University of Nebraska College of Medicine. He is an Associate Professor in the Department of General Internal Medicine. His clinical interest is primary care and the complex medical patient. His academic interests include teaching clinical medicine to students and residents.



***Laureate Award
Richard J. Seitz, MD FACP***

The Laureate Award honors Fellows or Masters of ACP who have demonstrated by their example and conduct an abiding commitment to excellence in medical care, education or research, and in service to their community, their Chapter and the American College of Physicians.

Dr. Seitz completed medical school and Internal Medicine Residency at University of Nebraska College of Medicine. For the past 18 years, he has practiced in Fremont, NE, as an internist in a traditional practice and as a hospitalist on weekends at St. Elizabeth Regional Medical Center in Lincoln, NE. He holds several leadership roles at Fremont Health Medical Center, including Chairman of the Medicine Department, medical director of the hospitalist program and pharmacy department as well as the medical director of the internal medicine outpatient clinic. Dr. Seitz has been active with ACP nationally with Leadership Day and just finished a term on the national board of ACP Services PAC. On the state chapter level, he has served on the governor's advisory council and as membership chair.



Walter J. O'Donohue, Jr. MD Award
Dennis J. Esterbrooks, MD FACC FACP

The Walter J. O'Donohue, Jr. Award honors a physician who embodies the qualities set by our late friend and colleague, an ardent supporter of the Nebraska Chapter: great leadership, scholarship and mentoring in his/her career.

Dr. Esterbrooks is the Richard W. Booth M.D. Professor in the Department of Medicine at Creighton University School of Medicine. He graduated from Creighton University School of Medicine, where he completed his Internal Medicine Residency and Cardiovascular Fellowship. Dr. Esterbrooks is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and the American College of Physicians. His clinical expertise has been recognized by the Creighton University School of Medicine Master Clinician Award. He has received teaching awards from the Division of Cardiology for excellence in cardiovascular education and has been a successful cardiovascular researcher. Dr. Esterbrooks has held multiple administrative and leadership roles at Creighton University School of Medicine including Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs, Associate Chair for Clinical Affairs Department of Medicine, Chief of the Division of Cardiology and Interim Chair of the Department of Medicine.



LeeRoy Meyer Dedicated Teacher Award
Jane F. Potter, MD AGSF FACP

The LeeRoy Meyer Dedicated Teacher Award honors a physician who exemplifies the talent, enthusiasm and professionalism demonstrated in medical education by Dr. Meyer.

Dr. Potter currently serves at the University of Nebraska Medical Center as the Neumann M. & Mildred E. Harris Professor of Geriatrics and Gerontology in Internal Medicine; Chief, Division of Geriatrics and Gerontology, and Director, Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program, Department of Internal Medicine. Dr. Potter received her MD from Creighton University School of Medicine. She completed residency training at George Washington University and a Geriatric Fellowship at the National Institute on Aging, NIH. Dr. Potter has received several Top Teacher awards from UNMC's Department of Internal Medicine and is recognized by U.S. News and World Report as a Top Doctor. Most recently, she received the Dennis W. Jahnigen Memorial Award from the AGS in honor of her distinguished career in geriatrics.



***Early Career Physician of the Year
Joel Armitage, MD FACP***

The Early Career Physician Award recognizes an ACP member who has been a major contributor to the ACP either locally or nationally, within 16 years of medical school graduation.

Dr. Armitage is an Assistant Professor in the general internal medicine division at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. He received his MD and completed residency training at UNMC. Dr. Armitage has served as a delegate on the Academic Advisory Board for ACP since 2016. In this role, he provides feedback to ACP on the programs, products, and services used by UNMC students and physicians. Prior to this position, Dr. Armitage helped to lead the planning committee for the annual state scientific meeting for two years. He has also been active as an at-large member of the Governor's Advisory Council for many years. He serves as a facilitator at the University resident Midtown Clinic and a preceptor for 3rd year medical students. Dr. Armitage is the medical director at the Village Pointe Multispecialty Clinic for primary care.



***Volunteer Faculty Award
Chad Reade, MD***

The Volunteer Faculty of the Year Award recognizes an ACP Member who has consistently and generously contributed to the education of medical students and/or residents on a voluntary basis.

Dr. Reade has been practicing traditional internal medicine with inpatient and outpatient responsibilities in the Methodist Health System as a part of Methodist Physicians Clinic Healthwest Internal Medicine since 2011. In addition to his patient care responsibilities, he regularly precepts medical students and interns from the department of internal medicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. He has also precepted nurse practitioner students. Dr. Reade authored a new opioid management protocol for Methodist Physicians Clinic as part of a clinic-wide effort that has successfully brought practice in line with national CDC guidelines and significantly reduced opioid prescribing. He completed his undergraduate degree at the University of Nebraska Lincoln, and received his MD and residency training at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.