Laureate Award

The Laureate Award honors Fellows and Masters of the College 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.

The recipient of this award shall bear the title Laureate of the Montana Chapter.

This award shall be presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting. The awardee should accept the recognition in person, unless excused by the Governor. The awardee is to be nominated by a process that may originate from the Awards Committee or from any member of the Chapter. The nomination must document the attributes and accomplishments of the nominee.

The awardee should be a senior physician and Fellow or Master of long-standing, with acknowledged excellence and peer approval in the field of internal medicine. In addition, the awardee should have served the Chapter with distinction.

It is with distinct pleasure that this year the Montana Chapter of the American College of Physicians presents the Laureate Award to David W. Jordan, MD, FACP. Dr. Jordan is a long-standing and loyal supporter of the College, has rendered distinguished service to the Chapter, and has upheld the high ideals and professional standards for which the College is known.

We salute and honor him on this occasion, and we wish him well in the future.

Jim A. Yturri, MD, FACP
Governor, Montana Chapter

“No person was ever honoured for what he received. Honour has been the reward for what he gave.”

-Calvin Coolidge
David W. Jordan, MD, FACP
2010 Montana Chapter Laureate Award Winner

Dr. David W. Jordan received his undergraduate training at the University of Illinois from 1963-1967. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science, Liberal Arts and Science degree in 1967. He graduated from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1971. Dr. Jordan completed his internal medicine internship at the University of New Mexico in 1972. He completed his internal medicine residency at the University of New Mexico in 1973, and from 1975-1976 at Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Aurora, Colorado. Dr. Jordan also served in the United States Army Medical Corps from 1973-1977.

From 1977 to 1978 Dr. Jordan practiced internal medicine in Wichita, Kansas. In 1978 Dr. Jordan moved to Helena, Montana where he went into private practice, internal medicine, and continues to practice there today. In 1978 Dr. Jordan became a medical consultant for the Social Security Disability Determination Bureau for the State of Montana. He also became Chief Medical Consultant in 1996 and continues in both of these roles today. Dr. Jordan was Medical Director for the Rocky Mountain Care Center, an extended care facility, from 1986-2003. He has been on the medical staff at St. Peter's Hospital since 1978, and served as Chairman of the Department of Medicine from 1982-1983.

Dr. Jordan became a member of the Montana Chapter, American Society of Internal Medicine in 1978, which merged with the American College of Physicians. He served as president of the Montana Chapter from 1997-1998. He was elected to Fellowship in 1999. Dr. Jordan has been a member of the Montana Chapter of the American College of Physicians Governor’s Advisory Council since 1999. He has also been a member of the Montana Medical Association since 1978 and on the MMA's Board of Trustees since 2008. Dr. Jordan became a member of the Lewis and Clark Medical Society in 1978, and served as President from 1999-2000.

Dr. Jordan received his State of Montana Medical License in 1978 and he became certified with the American Board of Internal Medicine in 1976.

Dr. Jordan is a life member of the Helena Mineral Society, and he is also a member of the Growing Friends of Helena. Growing Friends is an urban tree-planting organization. Its purpose is to enrich the quality of life in the Helena, Montana area with extensive planting of suitable, attractive, diverse, and well-cared-for trees and shrubs. Dr. Jordan married his wife Natalie in 1973. They have two sons, Scott and Bryan.