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 New Mexico 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 New Mexico Chapter of the American College of Physicians presents the Laureate Award to Allen B. Adolphe, MD, FACP. Dr. Adolphe 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.

Eileen D. Barrett, MD, MPH, FACP
Governor, New Mexico Chapter

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

-Calvin Coolidge
Allen B. Adolphe, MD, FACP
2014 New Mexico Chapter Laureate Award Winner

Dr. Allen Adolphe has devoted his professional career to primary care, medical education, and clinical research. He has been a strong supporter of the American College of Physicians, attaining fellowship 25 years ago. He has had more than 30 years of practice in Albuquerque and has served on medical school faculties for nearly two decades.

Dr. Adolphe earned an undergraduate degree at Allegheny College, and a PhD in pharmacology from Thomas Jefferson University. He received his MD degree from the Universidad Autonoma de Ciudad Juarez, and completed an internal medicine residency at the Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati. Early in his career he taught pharmacology around the world, at institutions including the Aba Khoussy School of Medicine at the Technion Institute of Technology in Haifa Israel, the University of Dayton, Wright State School of Medicine, and Merrill National Laboratories.

In 1984, Dr. Adolphe entered private practice in Albuquerque, and then served as a primary care general internist until 2007 when he joined the faculty at the University of New Mexico. While in private practice, Dr. Adolphe was loved by his patients and was viewed by his colleagues as one of Albuquerque’s best primary care physicians. He served in numerous leadership positions at St. Joseph, Lovelace and Presbyterian Hospitals. He also became very involved in clinical research, and served as Director of the Clinical Research Program for Lovelace Health Services.

Dr. Adolphe has been very involved in organized medicine in the state of New Mexico. He has served on the governing Council of the New Mexico Chapter of the American College of Physicians for over a decade, serving as President and Program Chair. He also has been very active in the Greater Albuquerque Medical Association, serving as trustee for 10 years. He has been an elected counselor for the New Mexico State Medical Society since 2006.

Since joining the faculty at the University of New Mexico, Dr. Adolphe has been very involved in medical student education, and he has received numerous accolades from medical students for his dedication to teaching. He is also been a leader in primary care, and helped establish UNM’s Patient Centered Medical Home, always advocating for high quality patient-centered care. He currently serves as Director of Quality and Service for Primary Care, and Vice Chief of the Division of General Internal Medicine. Dr. Adolphe has been involved in a number of clinical trials, and has a national reputation in the management of lipid disorders.

Because of his life-long commitment to excellence in patient care, teaching, and clinical research it is with great respect and privilege that the New Mexico Chapter awards this year’s Chapter Laureate Award to Dr. Allen Adolphe.