



UTAH CHAPTER ACP AWARDS & RECOGNITION



2019 CHAPTER AWARDS

The 2019 awards ceremony will honor five Utah Chapter member: **Robert Pendleton, MD FACP** is being recognized for his extraordinary service in medicine with advancement to ACP Mastership; **Nathan Allred, MD** is being presented with the Laureate Award for his commitment to excellence in medical care and in service to the community; **Susan Keeshin, MD** is being presented with the C. DuWayne Schmidt Community Service Award for her distinguished humanitarianism and voluntary contributions in medicine and the Utah ACP; and **Emily Signor, MD [R]** and **Andrew Kithas [MS]** are being recognized for their demonstrated commitment to excellence in medical care, their chapter, and the ACP.

Mastership in the American College of Physicians

ACP Masters have been awarded this extreme honor after being nominated by their peers and then vetted through the Awards Committee for selection due to the excellence and significance of their contributions to medicine as well as their involvement in ACP. Masters are nominated for their personal character, positions of honor, contributions toward furthering the purposes of the ACP, eminence in practice or in medical research, or other attainments in science or in the art of medicine. A limited number of Masters are awarded each year.

About Robert Pendleton, MD, FACP



Dr. Robert C. Pendleton is the Chief Medical Quality Officer of U Health at the University of Utah and is Professor of Medicine (Clinical) at the University of Utah School of Medicine. After completing residency training in internal medicine in 2000, Dr. Pendleton co-founded a hospitalist program focused on clinical excellence and educating the next generation & developed an integrated thrombosis service focused on improving care and advancing knowledge for patients with thrombotic disorders. Since 2012 he has served as U Health's first Chief Medical Quality Officer helping to lead U Health's transformation efforts to be a national leader in the delivery of high value care encompassing quality, safety, patient experience, and clinical resource optimization.

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.



About Nathan Allred, MD

Nathan Allred is a native of SLC. I finished my training at the U of U in 2011, and since then have had the fantastic opportunity to continue working with resident and medical students at the Corwin Q. Edwards Internal Medicine Clinic at the Intermountain Medical Center. I do a mix of primary care and HIV medicine. My wife Juliann (a neurologist at the U) and I have 4 children, and when not seeing patient or teaching, are probably having fun with our kids.

C. DuWayne Schmidt Volunteerism & Community Service Award

The C. DuWayne Schmidt Volunteerism and Community Service Award was initiated to honor members of the Utah Chapter who have distinguished themselves in voluntary service in the area of medicine.

It is with distinct pleasure that the Utah Chapter honors Susan Keeshin, MD with the Utah Chapter C. DuWayne Schmidt Volunteerism and Community Service Award. Recipients of this award have distinguished themselves as true humanitarians to be honored for their voluntary contributions in medicine.

About Susan Keeshin, MD

Susana Williams Keeshin, MD is originally from La Paz, Bolivia. She joined the faculty at the University of Utah in 2014. She attended medical school at Meharry Medical College, completed her Internal Medicine and Pediatrics Residency at the University of Utah and Infectious Disease Fellowship at the University of Cincinnati.



Dr. Keeshin's clinical practice includes caring for pediatric and adult HIV patients, attending on the inpatient Pediatric Infectious Disease consult service and as an outpatient clinical preceptor for the adult Infections Disease fellowship program. She serves on the U.S. Department of Health and Humans Services panel on Treatment of Pregnant Women with HIV Infection and Prevention of Perinatal Transmission. Together with Adam Spivak, MD, she co-founded the PrEP Community clinic, a free HIV prevention clinic offering testing and treatment for STDs, HIV screening, medical management while on Truvada and PrEP case manager navigation for uninsured patients.

Susana enjoys snowboarding, hiking, camping and traveling with her husband and daughter.

Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Awards

This award is designed to recognize the work of Resident/Fellow and Medical Student members who demonstrate a commitment to excellence in medical care, their chapter, and the ACP.

About Emily Signor, MD

Emily Signor was raised in Northeast Nebraska, and attended University of Nebraska-Lincoln as an undergraduate. She received her Medical Degree from University of Nebraska School of Medicine. Following medical school, she trained in Internal Medicine at the University of Utah, and is currently one of the Chief Medical Residents. Her focus during her year as chief has been to develop a Health Care Policy and Advocacy Curriculum for Internal Medicine residents, and much her time is devoted to teaching medical students and residents. Beginning in July of 2019, Emily will be joining the University of Utah faculty as an academic hospitalist.



Emily enjoys traveling, gardening, reading, and yoga in her spare time.

About Andrew Kithas



Andrew Kithas is a fourth year medical student at the University of Utah applying for residency in Internal Medicine. A native of Utah, Andrew attended Skyline High School in Salt Lake City and received his Bachelor of Arts degree in History from the University of Utah before starting medical school.

During his time in medical school, Andrew has served as Co-President of the Internal Medicine Interest Group and has spent time as a class council member. He has also been a part of various curriculum committee and subcommittees, which has helped him realize that medical education is an area he hopes to continue being involved in throughout residency and during his career. Currently, he is serving as Co-President of the fourth year class as he completes his final requirements before graduation. He hopes to continue in academic medicine in the future in order to teach and help foster the interests of future generations of medical students. Outside of medical school, Andrew enjoys watching movies, camping, cooking and playing the piano.

WELCOME NEW FELLOWS

Jenny Tuan, Heather Balch, Julia Ozbolt, Paige Patterson, Lana McGill, Kim Scott, Janie Mathis, Harold Palmer, Ryan Murphy

Fellowship in the College is an honor. Being an FACP® is a distinction earned from colleagues who recognize your accomplishments and achievements over and above the practice of medicine. The most important considerations for ACP Fellowship are excellence and contributions made to both medicine and to the broader community in which the internist lives and practices.



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