American College of Health Care Administrators Announces 2018 Award Winners

Washington, DC – April 24, 2018 – The American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) presented annual awards during a celebratory luncheon at their 52nd Annual Convocation and Exposition in Orlando, Florida on Tuesday, April 24, 2018. Congratulations to ACHCA’s 2018 Award Winners!

ACHCA INDIVIDUAL AWARDS
Chair's Award - Rudolph L. Michalek, FACHCA
Distinguished Service Award - Molly Savard, CNHA, FACHCA
Distinguished Assisted Living Administrator Award — Robert Armstrong, CNHA, FACHCA
Distinguished Nursing Home Administrator Award — Brenda Lewis, FACHCA
ACHCA Outstanding Member Award — Phil DuBois, CNHA, FACHCA
New Nursing Home Administrator Award — Ashley Douglas
Public Service Award — Michelle Schneider
Education Award — Maureen McCarthy
Journalism Award — Dr. Ruth Tappen
AIT Preceptor Award — Daniel Suer, FACHCA

ACHCA PARTNER AWARDS
Business Partner Award — Grandview Pharmacy
ACHCA Champion Award - Georgia Health Care Association

ACHCA CHAPTER/DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
Florida ACHCA — Project/Initiative: To re-energize and increase the presence and role of the Florida Chapter of ACHCA and grow its membership and relationship to present and future ACHCA members in the State of Florida.

New York ACHCA — Project/Initiative: Sister Joan Cassidy Ethnic Diversity Fund (recognition of fundraising activities)

Georgia ACHCA — Project/Initiative: Recognition of collaborative partnership with Georgia Health Care Association to host several educational and leadership development series that support ACHCA’s mission of being a catalyst for excellence in leadership development in long-term care.
**W. PHILLIP MCCONNELL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
Madeline Magee
Makinna Hare

**GEORGE & LEAH HOLLANDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Bethany Camputaro
Chelsea Conner
Maryam Kazempour
Kathryn "Katie" Lasewicz

**YOUNG ADMINISTRATOR SCHOLARSHIP**
Ranyouri Senia
Tara Wild

**STUDENT POSTER EXPOSITION PRESENTERS**
Nathaniel Berg, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Dilli Gautam, Eastern Washington University
Chandler Hulke, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Dylan Jester, University of South Florida
Joseph June, University of South Florida
Lindsey LeClair, George Washington University
Guillermo Mendez, Eastern Washington University
Katelyn Mrozek, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Jessica Ochoa, Eastern Washington University
Kelsea Parker, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Erin Rafferty, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Jacob Rathke, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Alondra Saavedra, Towson University
Andy Siegel, George Washington University
Michelle Yuth, Towson University

**ELI PICK FACILITY LEADERSHIP AWARD**
This award, named in memory of visionary ACHCA member Eli Pick, recognizes administrators who provided leadership throughout the award year. Eligibility for this award is based on three years of skilled nursing facility (SNF) survey data, including the Health, Fire (Life Safety), and Complaint Surveys, as well as top quartile performance on designated Quality Measures. The criteria also included an 80% or greater facility occupancy and a three-year avoidance of a Special Focus Facility status. A list of the 2018 recipients can be downloaded by visiting the website at [http://www.achca.org/2018-award-winners](http://www.achca.org/2018-award-winners).

Founded in 1962 the American College of Health Care Administrators (ACHCA) is the only professional association devoted solely to meeting the professional needs of today's long-term care administrator and executive. ACHCA's mission focuses on advancing leadership excellence in long-term care through the provision of leadership education, promotion of professional advancement programs such as Fellowship and Professional Certification, and facilitation of leadership development. ACHCA's diverse membership includes administrators from across the continuum of post-acute and aging services care.
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