

History of the Worcester District Medical Society Award Recipients

Dr. A. Jane Fitzpatrick Community Service Award

This award was established by WDMS to commemorate the life-long contributions and exemplary efforts of Dr. Fitzpatrick. The award recognizes a member of the health care community for contributions beyond professional duties to improve the health and well-being of others.

Recipients

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|-----------------------|------|-------------------------|------|
| Dr. James Ledwith | 2022 | Dr. Lucy Candib | 2006 |
| Dr. Kavita Babu | 2021 | Dr. George Abraham | 2005 |
| Dr. John Broach | 2020 | Dr. Matthew Collins | 2004 |
| Dr. William Muller | 2019 | Dr. John Riordan | 2003 |
| Dr. Erik Garcia | 2018 | Dr. H. Brownell Wheeler | 2002 |
| Dr. Nandana Kansra | 2017 | Dr. Richard Aghababian | 2001 |
| Dr. Michael Hirsh | 2016 | Dr. Jane Lochrie | 2000 |
| Dr. Louis Fazen, III | 2015 | Dr. Arthur Pappas | 1999 |
| Dr. David Kim | 2014 | Dr. Morris Spierer | 1998 |
| Dr. W. Peter Metz | 2013 | Dr. Paul Hart | 1997 |
| Dr. Katherine Barnard | 2012 | Dr. S. Ram Upadhyay | 1996 |
| Dr. Hugh Silk | 2011 | Dr. Samuel Pickens | 1995 |
| Dr. Herbert Dean | 2010 | Dr. Randy Wertheimer | 1994 |
| Dr. Michele Pici | 2009 | Dr. Burte Guterman | 1993 |
| Dr. James Walsh | 2008 | Dr. Joseph DiFranza | 1992 |
| Dr. Wayne Glazier | 2007 | Dr. Harvey Clermont | 1991 |

WDMS Career Achievement Award

This award was established to honor a WDMS Member who has demonstrated compassion and dedication to the medical needs of patients and or the public and has made significant contributions to the practice of medicine

Recipients

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| Dr. Thomas Halpin | 2021 | Dr. Edward Amaral | 2009 |
| Dr. Jeffrey Geller | 2020 | Dr. Aaron Lazare | 2008 |
| Dr. Lucy Candib | 2019 | Dr. Guenter Spanknebel | 2007 |
| Dr. Daniel Lasser | 2018 | Dr. Francis Bednarek | 2006 |
| Dr. Giles Whalen | 2017 | Dr. Mattie Castiel | 2005 |
| Dr. Alan Albert | 2016 | Dr. J. Barry Hanshaw | 2004 |
| Dr. Michele Pugnaire | 2015 | Dr. Anthony Esposito | 2003 |
| Dr. Stephen Earls | 2014 | Dr. Dan O'Donnell | 2002 |
| Dr. Stephen Tosi | 2013 | Dr. John Massarelli | 2001 |
| Dr. Robert Yood | 2012 | Dr. Leonard Morse | 2000 |
| Dr. Lynda Young | 2011 | Dr. Arnold Gurwitz | 1999 |
| Dr. Dennis Dimitri | 2010 | | |

Community Clinician of the Year Award

The Community Clinician of the Year Award was adopted at the Massachusetts Medical Society Interim House of Delegates meeting in November 1998. It was established to recognize a practitioner from each district medical society who has made significant contributions to patients and the community. Each district is encouraged to identify one deserving physician each year. It is strongly recommended that recipients be members of the Society, though it is not a prerequisite. Districts are not required to submit a nomination.

Recipients

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| Dr. Manjul Shukla | 2023 | Dr. James Broadhurst | 2010 |
| Dr. June O'Connor | 2022 | Dr. Linda Sagor | 2009 |
| Dr. Nancy Detora | 2021 | Dr. Sahdev Passey | 2008 |
| Dr. Timothy Hopkins | 2020 | Dr. Mary Costanza | 2007 |
| Dr. Philip Bolduc | 2019 | Dr. Michael Hirsh | 2006 |
| Dr. Francisco Gil | 2018 | Dr. Robert Cavanaugh | 2005 |
| Dr. Sara Shields | 2017 | Dr. Marie Hobart | 2004 |
| Dr. Warren Ferguson | 2016 | Dr. Robert Bessette | 2003 |
| Dr. Matilde Castiel | 2015 | Dr. Francis Dufault | 2002 |
| Dr. Annie Abraham | 2014 | Dr. Erik Garcia | 2001 |
| Dr. Marianne Manno | 2013 | Dr. Harvey Clermont | 2000 |
| Dr. Marshal Katzen | 2012 | Dr. Morris Spierer | 1999 |
| Dr. Joel Popkin | 2011 | | |

President's Award

This is a special award recognizing an individual for their extraordinary leadership, contributions and commitment to the health and wellbeing of our community and the profession of medicine.

Recipients

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| Dr. Robert Finberg (<i>Posthumously</i>) | 2022 |
| City Manager Edward Augustus | 2021 |
| Dr. Michael Hirsh | 2021 |
| Mayor Joseph Petty | 2021 |
| Dr. Edward Amaral | 2019 |
| Dr. Julia Johnson | 2017 |
| Dr. James Broadhurst | 2013 |
| Dr. Leonard Morse | 2009 |
| Dr. Peter Schneider | 2005 |
| Dr. David Spodick | 2004 |
| Dr. Guido Manjo | 2002 |
| Dr. Audrey Kurlan-Marcy | 2000 |
| Ms. Joyce Cariglia | 1998 |

Editor's Award

(formerly known as the Wisteria Award)

This special award recognizes Editors for their outstanding contributions to the Societies publication of Worcester Medicine, formerly known as Worcester Medical News.

Recipients

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| Dr. Robert Sorrenti | 2022 |
| Peter Martin, Esq. | 2021 |
| Dr. Paul Steen | 2020 |
| Michael Malloy, PharmD | 2008 |
| Dr. Robert Sorrenti | 2008 |
| Dr. John Paul Lock | 1995 |
| Dr. James Hurowitz | 1992 |
| Dr. Jack Ansell | 1990 |
| Dr. Robert Harper | 1988 |
| Dr. Jacob Brem | 1986 |
| Dr. Robert Bain | 1985 |
| Dr. John Massarelli | 1983 |
| Dr. Arthur Ward | 1982 |
| Dr. Sterling Garrard | 1981 |
| Dr. H. Martin Deranian | 1980 |
| Dr. Leonard Morse | 1979 |
| Dr. Charles Brink, II | 1978 |
| Dr. Joseph Lundy | 1977 |
| Dr. Samuel Bachrach | 1976 |
| Dr. Robert Phaneuf | 1975 |
| Dr. Ralph Monroe | 1974 |

The Worcester Medical Library Medical Student Achievement Award

Established in 2022, this achievement award is based on students' merit and accomplishments in serving the WDMS and broader Massachusetts community. It is intended to recognize the achievements of UMass Chan medical students irrespective of their legal residency or financial need. Preference will be given to students who are graduating in the year of the award.

Recipient

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| Vanya Zvonar | 2022 |
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