

Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award



The Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award honors designated institutional officials (DIOs) who have demonstrated excellence in overseeing residency/fellowship programs at their Sponsoring Institutions. DIOs have authority and responsibility for all graduate medical education programs in a teaching hospital, community hospital, or other type of institution that sponsors such programs. The ACGME congratulates the recipients of the 2017 Courage to Lead Award.



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Nominators had this to say:

“One of Dr. Ghori's more impressive accomplishments has been the ability to successfully collaborate with the institution on quality and patient safety initiatives. As a county hospital with very limited resources, Dr. Ghori was able to find the sweet spot of leadership and service by integrating the graduate medical education's quality initiatives with that of the hospital. Dr. Ghori was able to accomplish the goal of quality improvement alignment without expanding the institution's financial exposure.”

“Dr. Ghori has repeatedly been recognized for his teaching prowess for residents and medical students, including multiple departmental and organization excellence in teaching awards, and most recently, was a recipient of the Scholarship in Teaching Award from Case Western Reserve University. Dr. Ghori served as an investigator for MetroHealth as one of twenty sites nationally for the "Implementation and Evaluation of a 'Bright Futures Curriculum' within the CORNET (Continuity Research NETWORK) Continuity Practices" project, which provides an opportunity for pediatric residents to provide medical care to underserved children.”