

## 2011 Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award Recipients

### *for Program Director Excellence*



**Tsveti Markova, MD, FAAFP**

Family Medicine  
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**Nominators had this to say:**

"In 2008, Dr. Markova, closely working with the Department Chair led the construction project of the state-of-the-art new Family Medicine Center (FMC) at Rochester, which is specifically designed to embody the principles of the Patient-Centered Model of Care, with interdisciplinary teams' structure, electronic health record, quality improvement and chronic care model initiatives. She successfully engaged all residents and faculty in these initiatives to enhance their Practicebased Learning and Improvement competency, and methodically is working on implementing and evaluating the effectiveness of these initiatives."

"With Dr. Markova's guidance and encouragement, our Transitional Year Residency Program has been cited as a "Best Practices" by ACGME, and the Clinical Skills and Competency Rotation curriculum of which she was the architect, is currently under review for publication by MedEdPortal."

"Community perception seems to have been at the forefront of Dr. Markova's mind since the conception of our program. Her creation of the Integrated Family Medicine Rotation, a longitudinal curriculum that allows residents to become involved in community outreach programs, has improved its visibility overall. Our participation in the Peripheral Vascular Disease Screenings, sponsored by the hospital, has garnered formidable praise throughout the community. This was formerly a nurse-run service and now the patients appreciate having the physician presence and interpretation of medical information provided during the screening. Residents have also made an impact within the community by providing evidence based presentations at the local senior center."