

CRITERIA

for

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award sponsored by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation

The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award sponsored by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation, annually recognizes individuals who embody compassion and sensitivity in the delivery of care to patients and their family members. The faculty member who receives this award should possess an MD or DO and embody *many* of the following characteristics:

- consistently demonstrates compassion and empathy in the delivery of care to patients
- serves as a role model—illustrates professional behavior by example
- approachable and accessible to students
- welcomes opportunities for teaching and one-on-one mentorships with students
- exhibits enthusiasm and skill in professional and personal interactions with students
- shows respect for the viewpoint of others, even when it differs from their own
- demonstrates cultural sensitivity in working with patients and family members of diverse backgrounds
- demonstrates and models the values of diversity, equity and inclusion in their daily work and life
- displays effective communication and listening skills
- understands patients' need for interpretation of complex medical diagnoses and treatments and makes an effort to ensure patient comprehension—shows respect for the patient's viewpoint
- sensitive to the patients' psychological well-being
- effectively identifies emotional concerns of patients and family members
- cooperative, respectful and easy to work with - engenders trust and confidence
- adheres to professional and ethical standards
- committed to reflection and objective self-evaluation of his/her skills
- displays competence in scientific endeavors