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Philly doc named ‘Exemplary Teacher of the Year’

(HARRISBURG, PA. Feb. 22, 2019) Allison Myers, MD of Philadelphia has been named the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians’ 2019 co-Exemplary Teacher of the Year!

Myers began her medical career at Drexel University College of Medicine, where she earned her MD, and Drexel University School of Public Health, where she earned her MPH. She completed her family medicine residency at the University of Pennsylvania.

Myers is the Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Community Health at the University of Pennsylvania’s Department of Family Medicine and Community Health and the Perelman School of Medicine in Philadelphia. She is a member of the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association. Myers has won numerous awards and honors, including the 2018 Residency Faculty Teaching Award from the University of Pennsylvania Department of Family Medicine.

Those who nominated Myers’ for this award noted her compassion for underserved populations, particularly LGBTQ patients.

“Dr. Myers is also an exemplary model of a physician passionate about social justice. She can frequently be found at community events supporting various vulnerable patient populations that we serve,” said one of her students.

“Now that I am a family medicine resident, I often reflect on how inspired I was by her passionate commitment to improving education in the area of LGBT health,” a former student said. “She stands as a role model for the type of teacher and practitioner I strive to be in my own career.”

“Dr. Myers' leadership ... has been absolutely crucial for our progress as a department and as a health system in caring for these marginalized communities,” said another student. “Dr. Myers' teaching has been transformative for the residents and medical students in our department. I cannot imagine a more qualified and worthy candidate for the PAFF Teaching award.”

The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians and its Foundation supports its members (including nearly 80 percent of Pennsylvania family physicians) through advocacy and education to ensure physician-coordinated, personalized, and comprehensive quality health care for every Pennsylvanian. The Academy and its Foundation are the leading influential resource among family physicians and physicians in training in Pennsylvania; the primary

voice on health care issues with state legislative and administrative branches of government, media and professional health organizations; and the leader on health care issues in the community.

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