

Bill Hall Award to Be Presented at Emergency Medicine Forum to Gary R. Katz, MD, MBA, FACEP

Columbus, OH—The Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians (Ohio ACEP) is pleased to announce that the recipient of the 2018 *Bill Hall Award for Service to Ohio Chapter ACEP* is **Gary R. Katz, MD, MBA, FACEP**, a dedicated physician and colleague.

The award's namesake, Dr. William Hall, served as Chapter President from 1974-1975 and as Treasurer from 1979-1985. The award that bears his name is the highest honor Ohio ACEP bestows, and it has been presented 28 times to Ohio ACEP members who have served the Chapter with distinction. Physicians who have received the Bill Hall Award have made a significant contribution to emergency medicine and to Ohio Chapter ACEP and reflect the character of Dr. Hall, such as selfless giving of time and enthusiasm for patient care.

Dr. Gary Katz embodies these qualities perfectly. He has served Ohio ACEP in multiple leadership roles, including service as a Board Member, Chair of the Leadership Development and Government Affairs committees, and a Councillor representing Ohio ACEP. He also served two terms as Ohio ACEP President, a role in which his strategic business focus and guidance were invaluable.

Dr. Katz has been closely involved with ACEP Council, the national College's primary deliberative body. He represented the Ohio Chapter as a Councillor from 2008-2017 and was recognized with the Council Horizon Leadership Award in 2011. He also served on a number of Council committees, including the Reference Committee, Council Tellers Committee, and Council Steering Committee. In 2017, the Council elected him to serve as Vice-Speaker.

In addition to his strong belief in the importance of physician advocacy, Dr. Katz has a keen interest in seeking out and helping to develop future physician leaders in emergency medicine, an interest that has driven his close involvement in Ohio ACEP's Leadership Development Academy.

In her letter nominating Dr. Katz for the Bill Hall Award, Ohio ACEP President, Dr. Purva Grover, commended him as an established leader with an impressive record of service, including 18 years of activism within organized medicine. "Dr. Katz," wrote Dr. Grover, "has always demonstrated the highest level of commitment to Emergency Medicine, our Chapter, and the College... He is most deserving of the Ohio Chapter's highest honor."

The Bill Hall Award for Service will be presented to Dr. Katz on April 26, 2018, at the Ohio ACEP Emergency Medicine Forum in Columbus. Congratulations to Dr. Gary Katz for his well-deserved award!

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Ohio ACEP is a state medical specialty society representing emergency medicine physicians with more than 1,500 members. For more than 40 years, Ohio ACEP has served the state's emergency physicians through tireless advocacy, nationally-recognized continuing medical education, and physician leadership development.

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