Dr. T. Karl Hoskison Named Master Teacher Award Winner

OKLAHOMA CITY – T. Karl Hoskison, M.D. was recognized by his students through the OU College of Medicine at an awards dinner held on April 6 at the Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club. Hoskison, OU College of Medicine associate professor of Internal Medicine at the OU- TU School of Community Medicine, located at the OU-Tulsa Schusterman Center, was honored with the 2016 Stanton L. Young Master Teacher Award. This annual award was established in 1983 through an endowment made by Oklahoma City businessman, the late Stanton L. Young, and is given annually to a faculty member in the College of Medicine. The award comes with $15,000 – one of the largest in the nation for medical teaching excellence.

Hoskison was presented the award by M. Dewayne Andrews, M.D., vice president for Health Affairs and executive dean, University of Oklahoma College of Medicine, OU Health Sciences Center.

“Our medical students shared while working with him, it was the first time that they felt like physicians” said Andrews. “As noted in a nomination letter, ‘Many physicians are able to teach well. Their understanding of their field is so deep that they are able to synthesize complex concepts into lessons that are memorable and practical. However, few physicians extend beyond the role of a good teacher and become inspirational teachers.’ These rare physicians effortlessly inspire students and residents to love the pursuit of knowledge and understanding. Students begin to want to read more and work harder for the sake of learning. Residents become better teachers themselves by having a role model. A teacher like this is an invaluable asset to an academic institution. Dr. Karl Hoskison embodies every attribute of an inspirational teacher.”

Hoskison completed his Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, and received his M.D. from Oral Roberts University School of Medicine, followed by his residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine-Tulsa. In 2001, he joined the College of Medicine, in Tulsa, where is he currently an Associate Professor of Internal Medicine. Dr. Hoskison maintains an active schedule as a hospitalist at the St. John Hospital in Tulsa. There, he has created a unique teaching niche of bedside rounding with medical students, physician assistant students, interns and residents. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Dr. Hoskison conducts board reviews for the OU Internal Medicine and Family Practice Residency Programs and from 1993-2011, taught board review programs for the United States Medical Licensing Exam board reviews, preparing third and fourth year medical students and interns.
“I am so very grateful and thankful to the Young family,” said Dr. Hoskison, who was accompanied by his parents, Tom and Donna Hoskison of Oklahoma City; and his siblings: Keith Hoskison of Half Moon Bay, California; Patti Kallery of Castle Rock, Colorado, and Kim Linn, of Oklahoma City, “I’ve always wanted to be a teacher. When I began teaching on November 1, 2001, this changed my life forever. I got to do something that I will cherish forever until I die and that is teaching our kids, my students. They have given me more than I ever could have given to them. I appreciate the University of Oklahoma in giving me a platform to teach and to coach.”

Speaking at the awards banquet, Dr. Andrews discussed the impact of the Stanton L. Young Master Teacher Award on the College of Medicine, reviewed the status of past award winners, and described some of the innovative educational efforts that can in part be attributed to the emphasis on excellent teaching created by this award.

Attending from Stanton L. Young’s family were Lee and Laura Young, Ross and Marie Elise Howard and Carter Wright.