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Awards

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Part of AMSA's new diversity in medical school admissions project, the inaugural presentation of the Model School Recognition Award went to the **University of Southern California (USC) Keck School of Medicine**. The school earned its kudos for working to establish greater diversity within its student body. In accepting the award, Erin Quinn, Ph.D., USC's associate dean of admissions, recognized that "it's not an equal playing field out there" when it comes to medical school admissions.

Medical students gave the National Golden Apple Award to **Dr. Helen Davies**, a University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine microbiology professor. In accepting the award, Davies showed off her teaching skills by leading the audience in a microbiology memory aid set to the tune of "She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain."

PHOTO TO RIGHT: 1. Erin Quinn and Sindhu Srinivas MD, 2. (in red) Helen Davies, 3. Scott Campea, 4. Scott Howard and Sindhu Srinivas MD

Since its inception nine years ago, the Paul R. Wright Excellence in Medical Education Award has recognized medical education that fosters the development of socially responsible physicians. This year's award went to the **University of Florida (UF) College of Medicine** for its work in integrating end-of-life and palliative care education into the curriculum. UF professor **Dr. Lynn Romrell** and UF's AMSA chapter president **Scott Howard** acknowledged the importance of teaching medical students that it is OK to sometimes not be able to cure their patients.

The joint AMSA/Gay and Lesbian Medical Association's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) Health Achievement Award recognized two **University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine** organizations for their work in improving the environment for LGBT students. **Scott Campea** accepted the award for Penn's Sexual Orientation Medical Awareness and Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual People in Medicine groups.



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