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Kenneth Gold, MD, named Physician Citizen of the Year

MADISON — The Wisconsin Medical Society honored Kenneth Gold, MD, of Beloit, as the 2019 Physician Citizen of the Year on Saturday, April 6 during its Annual Meeting in Madison.

Presented annually, the Physician Citizen of the Year award recognizes physicians who have volunteered their time and talents to improve their communities. The award honors recipients for the civic, economic and charitable services they provide beyond their regular practice.

Doctor Gold was selected for his contributions to his community, which include working with the Beloit Fire Department and his involvement mentoring medical students.

“He has and continues to provide care to patients in a compassionate manner, meeting their needs wherever they are,” said Claudine Taub, who nominated Dr. Gold for the award. “He tirelessly fights for patients’ rights and their care; he visits patients in their homes, in the nursing home, and has done this for the last 50 years...with no expectation other than to improve the health and well-being of the Beloit Community and the state.”

In addition to practicing internal medicine with Beloit Health System since 1968, Dr. Gold served as medical director of the Beloit Fire Department from 1979 to 1990, one of the first such positions in the state. He has been a clinical professor of medicine with the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health for close to 25 years, where he has provided instruction and onsite training of future physicians. In 2009, he received the Max Fox Preceptor Award from the University of Wisconsin, which honors one of the unheralded Wisconsin physicians whose dedicated services as a medical student preceptor has helped develop the UW medical school program.

Doctor Gold also has been active in the Wisconsin American College of Physicians (ACP) and has twice received awards for his service to the ACP and for his mentorship of medical students. In 2007, he received the Community-Based Physician and Mentor Award in recognition of his commitment to mentoring medical students outside a major teaching center. In 2016, the chapter awarded him the Lifetime Internal Medicine Achievement Award for his service to internal medicine and to the chapter.

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“I think it’s clear that Dr. Gold has not only provided exceptional service to the Beloit community but also has been an exemplary leader and mentor, and a truly worthy recipient of the Physician Citizen of the Year award,” said Society Board Chair Jerry Halverson, MD, during the presentation.

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