

Dr. Larry Linder Recognized as a Hero of Emergency Medicine

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Glen Burnie Emergency Physician Larry Linder, MD, Recognized by the American College of Emergency Physicians as a "Hero of Emergency Medicine"

Washington, D.C. - The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) today announced it has recognized Larry Linder, MD, FACEP, senior vice president and chief medical officer at Baltimore Washington Medical Center, as a "Hero of Emergency Medicine." The campaign, which is part of ACEP's 40th anniversary, recognizes emergency physicians who have made significant contributions to emergency medicine, their communities and their patients.

"Emergency physicians are on the front lines of America's health care system, providing the essential community service of emergency care," says ACEP President Linda L. Lawrence, MD. "The dedication, passion and commitment Dr. Linder has shown embodies the vision of ACEP's founders and the ideals of our specialty."

Dr. Linder, who also serves as chair of the emergency department at Baltimore Washington Medical Center, is a visionary with practicality and execution, an outstanding leader, and an exceptional emergency physician. He champions legislative issues, and along with Dr. David Davis, helped write and pass the Prudent Layperson Definition, making Maryland the first state in the nation to enact it. During his four years as Maryland ACEP president, he instituted the pre-hospital provider award and developed the chapter's Administrative Resident Mentor program. He has headed the Maryland ACEP Education Committee for the past seven years. He developed the "Legal Jeopardy Game" to familiarize emergency medicine personnel with Maryland's health laws, and he is involved with Maryland ACEP's public policy and advocacy programs.

At Baltimore Washington Medical Center, he has worked tirelessly to solve on-call specialty challenges and the "ED back door" issue, mentor leaders throughout the hospital, address reimbursement problems, and remain a model of fairness in his dealings with all members of his hospital community.

"The American College of Emergency Physicians is celebrating 40 years of advancing emergency care, and the nation's emergency physicians are dedicated to saving even more lives and to improving emergency care for the next 40 years," said Dr. Lawrence. "Tens of thousands of lives are saved each year by emergency physicians and 115 million patients are treated in the nation's emergency departments. Emergency physicians are medical specialists who are experts in their field."

ACEP is a national medical specialty society representing emergency medicine with more than 25,000 members. ACEP is committed to advancing emergency care through continuing education, research and public education. Headquartered in Dallas, Texas, ACEP has 53 chapters representing each state, as well as Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. A Government Services Chapter represents emergency physicians employed by military branches and other government agencies.