

LINDA RABENECK, MD, MPH, FRCPC, MACG, Receives the **BERK/FISE CLINICAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**



ACG is pleased to recognize Dr. Linda Rabeneck as the winner of the 2016 Berk/Fise Clinical Achievement Award. Dr. Rabeneck's significant contributions to colorectal cancer research and prevention have distinguished her as a true leader in her field, and the College is grateful for her many accomplishments as a gastroenterologist and a clinician scientist.

Dr. Rabeneck, an ACG Master who has served as a member of the Research Committee and the Board of Trustees, received her medical degree from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver (UBC). She then completed her post-grad training in internal medicine and gastroenterology at UBC and the University of Toronto, and received her Master's degree in public health from Yale University, where she trained as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar from 1988 to 1990. From 1990 to 2002, Dr. Rabeneck was on the faculty of Baylor College of Medicine and the Houston VA, until she was recruited back to Canada to become Director of the Division of Gastroenterology at the University of Toronto from 2002–2005.

Now, as Vice President of Prevention and Cancer Control at Cancer Care Ontario, Professor of Medicine at the University of Toronto, and Chair of the World Endoscopy Organization Colorectal Cancer Screening Committee, Dr. Rabeneck is providing outstanding service to her community by helping to lead the launch of Ontario's ColonCancerCheck: Canada's first organized, province-wide colorectal screening program.

Dr. Rabeneck has authored more than 200 peer-reviewed publications, and is currently leading an active research program that focuses on the quality and effectiveness of colorectal cancer screening.

ACG congratulates Dr. Rabeneck for these remarkable achievements.

ABOUT THE BERK/FISE CLINICAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Berk/Fise Clinical Achievement Award, formerly the ACG Clinical Achievement Award, is presented to no more than one member/fellow of the College in any year, and is made in recognition of distinguished contributions to clinical gastroenterology over a significant period of time. Specific criteria include, in addition to a career of distinguished clinical practice of gastroenterology, contributions in patient care, clinical science, clinical education, technological innovation, and public and community service.

OREGON HEALTH & SCIENCE UNIVERSITY Claims the ACG 2016 GI JEOPARDY CHAMPIONSHIP

The Oregon Health & Science University duo of Karen Saks, MD, and Danielle M. Tholey, MD, lifted the trophy as the winning team in the ACG 2016 GI Jeopardy Competition, a spirited GI version of the television classic, which was held on Saturday, October 15, at the ACG Annual Scientific Meeting and Postgraduate Course in Las Vegas.

For winning the competition, Dr. Saks and Dr. Tholey will each receive a \$1,000 grant toward travel to the World Congress of Gastroenterology at ACG2017 in Orlando, FL, in addition to the trophy, which they can proudly display back at their home institution.

A crowd of roughly 225 people cheered on the five teams during the live event. Host Ronald Szyjkowski, MD, FACG, presented contestants the opportunity to choose from categories such as Manometry, Cities and Their Disease Classifications, Vegas Fun Facts, IBD, and It's Not a Tumor (Or Is It?)

This live event, which includes teams consisting of two GI fellows-in-training, is the culmination of a larger contest. The preliminary round, which began in July, is open to all GI training programs, and allows groups of fellows to take an online test on a variety of GI topics and diseases.

The teams that competed at the live contest in Las Vegas had, in some ways, already won. They had earned their spot in Las Vegas by emerging as the top five teams out of the 127 programs that participated in the preliminary round. The top five teams, whose institutions and team members are recognized to the right, along with the more than 100 other participating teams, should be commended for their outstanding efforts.



ACG2016 SCAVENGER HUNT WINNERS

This year, attendees of the ACG Annual Scientific Meeting again had an opportunity to score big in the Exhibit Hall through the ACG 2016 Exhibit Hall Scavenger Hunt. Attendees could be entered into a drawing for prizes by simply visiting the participating exhibitors with the playing card found in their registration bag, and then dropping off the playing card at the ACG booth.

Scavenger Hunt participants were vying for significant prizes. The grand prize was hotel and airfare for the World Congress of Gastroenterology @ACG2017 in Orlando, FL. Additional prizes included registrations to the 2017 Postgraduate Course and to one of the optional ACG Friday Courses, as well as an iPad!

Grand Prize Winner
Boyd Fenton, MD—Texas

iPad Winner
Mayurathan Kesavan, MD—New York

2017 Postgraduate Course Registration Winners
Thomas Schussler, MD—New York Adeel Urrehman, MD—Singapore

2017 Friday Course Registration Winner
Fadi Francis, MD—Pennsylvania

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