

2022-2023 Golden Stethoscope Nomination

Nominated for: DOCS Outstanding Preceptor Award

Name of Nominee: Dr. Jason John

Dear Golden Stethoscope Award Committee,

It is with great enthusiasm that I nominate Dr. Jason John for the DOCS Outstanding Preceptor Award. Dr. John exemplifies the qualities and commitment that truly makes an outstanding role model in the healthcare profession. He made preceptorship my favorite aspect of my first year of medical school and in every way is deserving of this honor.

I had the privilege of meeting Dr. John when he took me out to lunch prior to starting my preceptorship. I could tell from that initial conversation that this was a person who possessed a passion for mentorship and truly cared about my development as a medical professional. He took the time to ask about my background, my professional and personal goals, and interests outside of medicine. Additionally, I knew that Dr. John was a gifted clinician and mentor from based on first impression. His energy, expertise, and willingness to teach brought me and incredible amount of hope for my upcoming preceptorship.

Once I entered the clinical space with Dr. John, I was provided with a fascinating, challenging, and fulfilling preceptorship experience. He went over and beyond to make me feel welcome and gave me the tools I needed to foster my professional development. My first session precepting was spent with Dr. John on a day that he came to the hospital despite not being scheduled to work. He wanted to provide me with a foundation for my experience as his preceptee. So, he spent 4 hours of his free time showing me how to navigate the University Hospital, log on to the EMR, and read X-rays. Additionally, he observed me interview and examine patients, offering constructive feedback. This completely unnecessary, yet incredibly kind gesture set the tone for our time together.

As I progressed in my history taking, physical exam, clinical reasoning and oral presentation skills, Dr. John allowed me to gain more independence while offering ample opportunities to grow. I joined on rounds, on teaching teams, in multidisciplinary meetings, and in conversations about new consults. I independently interviewed and presented on patients. I even presented patients on rounds to the internal medicine team. Throughout this enriching and comprehensive clinical experience, Dr. John was always available. He welcomed my questions and offered feedback that was actionable. Not only did I feel that I was learning a lot quickly, I felt that I was truly a part of the healthcare team with an important role to play.

In light of Dr. John's outstanding dedication, mentorship and profound impact on his preceptee, I wholeheartedly recommend him for the DOCS Outstanding Preceptor Award. His exceptional qualities as a preceptor make him an exemplary candidate and an asset to our medical school community.

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