2022-2023 Golden Stethoscope Nomination

Nominated for: Outstanding DOCS Preceptor

Name of Nominee Dr. Chirstine Vohwinkel

The way Dr. Vohwinkel interacts with patients and their families is nothing short of inspiring. She seamlessly manages the complexities of the pediatric intensive care unit with respectful, candid, and educational discussions with desperate parents who often are clinging onto hope. Through each discussion, Dr. Vohwinkel makes people feel heard and appreciated no matter if they are a concerned grandparent, resident or yes, even a consistently confused medical student. Through hours of questions and endless uncertainty, she has stayed patient with me and all of those around her and utilized each opportunity to guide and direct my learning and that of the residents.

I leave my preceptor experience excited for what is to come knowing that the skills and knowledge Dr. Vohwinkel has imparted to me has prepared me for the next steps in my journey. Whether it was pre-writing notes to make sure she could spend more time explaining patient cases to me or incorporating me into conversations with parents to gain firsthand experiences, Dr. Vohwinkel consistently showed dedication to my learning and proved to be an excellent mentor. It has been a privilege to work with such a dedicated clinician who truly treats patients as a whole person and with the upmost respect. I would suggest Dr. Vohwinkel as a mentor to anyone seeking to become an approachable, knowledgeable, and impactful clinician.

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