

Dermatologists honored as 'Leaders of Distinction'

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Brett Coldiron, M.D., honored for "Outstanding Leadership in Promoting the Field of Dermatology," was recognized for his leadership as past president of the American College of Mohs Surgery and the American Academy of Dermatology, as well as for his extensive research and knowledge. Dr. Coldiron has published more than 63 peer-reviewed articles and four book chapters. In private practice, today, Dr. Coldiron is clinical associate professor at the University of Cincinnati. His current research interests are patient safety and the epidemiology of skin cancer.



Jill S. Waibel,
M.D.

Jill S. Waibel, M.D., presented with the "Humanitarian Award," earned the honor for having gone above and beyond by donating her time and services to improve patient outcomes. Specifically, Dr. Waibel was recognized for her work in using lasers to treat patients with traumatic burn injuries. The dermatologist was featured on the national news for using the latest advancements in lasers to help heal the scars of Kim Phuc, 52, who as a child was severely burned by napalm during the Vietnam War. Her experience was captured in an iconic photo. Dr. Waibel, who focuses on using state-of-the-art laser technologies to treat scars, is credited with developing industry-leading procedures and techniques with lasers. She has received numerous awards for her contributions to medicine and published numerous peer-reviewed journal articles and several textbook chapters. She was named "Person of the Week" on ABC World News Tonight.

Robin Lewallen, M.D., recognized as the JDD Leaders of Distinction "Resident of the Year," was voted her program's Resident Teacher of the Year for every year of her residency. Dr. Lewallen is co-editor of a book on contact dermatitis and is co-authoring the book, *Illustrated Clinical Cases: Dermatology*. She has presented at conferences, including the American Academy of Dermatology; volunteers at a free clinic and community health fairs; and serves on the resident quality improvement council, according to press materials from the Orlando Dermatology conference.

The awards ceremony also recognized Genentech, Allergan/ KYTHERA Biopharmaceuticals for these companies' contributions to dermatology.