



*The Maryland State Medical Society*

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**MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS  
AWARDS AT ANNUAL FALL HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING**

BALTIMORE, October 10, 2013—MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, recognized several individuals by giving them awards at their recent Fall House of Delegates Meeting on September 21, 2013.

Several members and other individuals received Dr. Henry P. & M. Page Laughlin Awards during the meeting. Andrea L. Mathias, M.D., M.P.H., Deputy Health Officer for Worcester County, was awarded the Distinguished Public Officer Award for her outstanding service and dedication to Maryland's physicians and patients in her roles as Deputy Health Officer for Worcester County and Chair of the Maryland Board of Physicians. Jack M. Zimmerman, M.D. was awarded the Distinguished Committee Chair Award for his outstanding service as Chair of MedChi's Ethics Committee from 1994 to 2001 and for his continued dedication to the Committee through 2013. Harbhajan S. Ajrawat, M.D., was awarded the Distinguished Board of Trustees Award for his outstanding service and dedication as a member of MedChi's Board of Trustees from 2006 to 2013.

The Distinguished Editorial Award was awarded to Tyler C. Cymet, D.O., for his outstanding service on the *Maryland Medicine* Editorial Board and his accomplishments as guest editor. The Distinguished Administrative Award was awarded to Joseph A. Schwartz, III, Esq. for serving as MedChi's Lobbyist with honesty and integrity since 1993.

Dr. Brian Avin, Immediate Past President of MedChi, stated that he "congratulates all the recipients of these awards and thanks them for helping to further the mission of MedChi."

About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. It is the largest physician organization in Maryland. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit [www.medchi.org](http://www.medchi.org).