MEDCHI TO HOST THE LOUIS J. KOLODNER MEMORIAL LECTURE

Baltimore, September 8, 2014 – MedChi, in collaboration with the family of Dr. Kolodner, the Kolmac Clinic, and the Maryland Psychiatric Society is pleased to announce the 2014 Louis J. Kolodner Memorial Lecture.

Mel Pohl, M.D., Medical Director of the Las Vegas Treatment Center, specializing in pain and addiction, will present “Pain and Addiction: Opioids-Or Not.” This memorial lecture will be presented in MedChi’s historic Osler Hall on September 11 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Louis J. Kolodner, M.D., was an active MedChi member serving as Vice-President and as chairman of numerous committees. He was born in 1911. He attended Baltimore City College, Johns Hopkins University, and received his Medical Degree from University of Maryland in 1936. He served his internship and residency at Sinai Hospital. He followed this with service in the U.S. Navy during World War II, which included duty in the invasions of Normandy and Southern France.

Later in life, when faced with his own mortality he wrote in an article, “A protective mechanism takes over and the intolerable becomes tolerable, the fear less fearful, and death itself-a necessary end that will come when it will come.”

Gene Ransom, MedChi CEO, explained “The Kolodner lecture is yet another example of MedChi’s commitment towards educating the public on the appropriate use of opioids.” This program has been approved for CME and CEU Credits. For more information, or to register, please visit www.medchi.org.

About MedChi

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