

Dr. Hunter Earl Woodall Receives 2015 Llewelyn Award

Hunter Earl Woodall, MD, FAAHPM of Anderson, SC is the recipient of the 2015 Timothy S. Llewelyn, MD, Memorial Award. This is the first year the Llewelyn Memorial Award has been given by The Carolinas Center for Medical Excellence (CCME) in honor of the life and memory of long-time board member, Timothy S. Llewelyn, MD. The Llewelyn Memorial Award will be presented annually to a South Carolina physician for his or her outstanding achievements in the improvement of quality health care and service to the medical community.

Dr. Llewelyn passed away April 11, 2014 and was well-known for his outstanding patient care, integrity, and compassion. As a leader in the health care community, he practiced internal medicine for 30 years and resided in Spartanburg, SC.

The award was presented during a ceremony held at the Spartanburg Medical Center's memorial tree on November 20. The award ceremony was attended by family and friends of the late Dr. Llewelyn in addition to Dr. Woodall's family and friends. CCME board chairman, Dr. John Smith, presented the award.

"I am very pleased to bestow this award to Dr. Woodall in recognition of his outstanding achievement in hospice and palliative medicine and the improvement of quality patient-centered care in South Carolina," said Dr. Smith. "He exemplifies the values that Dr. Llewelyn brought to health care and to CCME."

Described as a valued colleague, wise teacher, tireless community servant, and leader in hospice and patient-centered care, Dr. Woodall has done much in his 32-year career.

Dr. Woodall's achievements include:

- Earning one of the first hospice-specialty board certifications in SC in 2001.
- Becoming a Fellow of the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine in 2008 by demonstrating significant commitment to the field of hospice and palliative medicine.
- Conducting and publishing research on workplace health, addiction screening and opioid reactions.
- Integrating palliative medicine further into the residency and medical student curricula at AnMed Health Family Medicine Residency.
- Helping establish excellent palliative care alongside excellent curative care at AnMed Health.

Dr. Woodall graduated from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in 1983 and completed a residency at Carolinas Medical Center. He is board certified in Family Medicine, Addiction Medicine, and Hospice and Palliative Medicine. Since 1998, Woodall has served as the Medical Director for Hospice of the Upstate in addition to practicing medicine and teaching at AnMed Health Family Medicine Residency.