



The Doctors Kienle Center for Humanistic Medicine

Humanitarian Awards

The Kienle Center offers a unique set of awards to recognize humanistic health care. The details of each award are given below. A nominating sheet is attached. Return your nominations by March 1, 2023 to Aleax Olivera, aolivera@pennstatehealth.psu.edu with subject heading **Kienle Award Nomination**.

Third-year Medical Student Humanitarian Award

The Doctors Kienle Center for Humanistic Medicine will present The Medical Student Humanitarian Award to a Class of 2024 medical student in good standing. The tribute and accompanying \$1000 award will be presented in April to the individual and in September publicly at the Kienle Annual Meeting.

Mary Louise Witmer Jones Resident Humanitarian Award *in Memory of Jane Witmer Kienle, M.D.*

On her death in 1997, Mary Louise Witmer Jones of Medford, New Jersey, established an endowment to make possible an annual award in memory of her sister, Jane Witmer Kienle, M.D. The purpose of this award is to recognize a Milton S. Hershey Medical Center resident physician. To be eligible, the physician must have completed one year of residency training at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and must be continuing residency at this institution for at least one additional year following the award. This tribute and its accompanying \$1000 award will be presented in April to the individual and in September publicly at the Kienle Annual Meeting.

Nurse's Humanitarian Award *in Memory of Lawrence F. Kienle, M.D.*

This award will honor Lawrence F. Kienle, M.D. for the generous support and guidance that he provided to the Kienle Center for Humanistic Medicine. To be eligible, the nominee must be a full-time nurse employed at Penn State Health Hershey Medical Center. This tribute and its accompanying \$1000 will be granted at the Nursing Week Recognition Ceremony in the spring and in September at the Kienle Annual Meeting.

The humanitarian healthcare provider consistently:

- Demonstrates compassionate caring and concern for her/his patients, fellow healthcare workers, and community
- Demonstrates cultural sensitivity with patients and family members of diverse backgrounds
- Demonstrates empathetic awareness of the patient's experience of illness
- Practices effective communication and listening skills
- Makes an effort to assure patient and family comprehension of complex medical diagnoses and treatment
- Honors the dignity of both patients and colleagues
- Demonstrates sensitivity to the psychological well-being of patients and colleagues
- Identifies emotional concerns of patients and family members, and effectively responds
- Engenders trust and confidence from others
- Adheres to professional and ethical standards
- Displays personal commitment to self-evaluation and life-long learning

A nomination letter need not address each behavior.



The Doctors Kienle Center for Humanistic Medicine Humanitarian Awards Nomination Form

I, _____,

nominate _____ in the Department of _____

for one of the following awards: (please ✓ one)

_____ The **Third-year Medical Student Humanitarian Award**

_____ The **Mary Louise Witmer Jones Resident Humanitarian Award** in Memory of Jane Witmer Kienle, M.D.

_____ The **Nurse's Humanitarian Award** in Honor of Lawrence F. Kienle, M.D.

Narrative: (2500 character limit)

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Department (required)

Telephone Number (required)

Mail Code (required)

You may nominate one candidate for each award. Submit this completed form by email to:
Aleax Olivera: aolivera@pennstatehealth.psu.edu with the subject heading Kienle Award Nomination.