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### OAFP Announces Ohio Family Medicine Symposium on Research and Education Award Recipients

(COLUMBUS, Ohio)—During the Ohio Family Medicine Symposium on Research and Education, Ohio Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP) awarded those of outstanding research and educational progress in the medical field.

The symposium took place April 18 at Cherry Valley Lodge in Newark, Ohio. The annual event is a unique forum to share best practices in education and hear presentations on original research. Presentations are focused on enhancing the teaching and research skills of medical students, residents, community preceptors and even the most experienced faculty.

There were three top achievers that conducted research presentations or presented posters:

- Most Outstanding Research Oral Presentation from **Matthew Cunniff Carraro, B.S.**, from The Ohio State University (OSU), Columbus, Ohio
- Most Outstanding Research Poster Presentation by **Thomas J. Klosterman, M.D., F.A.A.F.P.**, and **Syed Hassan, M.D.**, from Forum Health Family Practice Center, Youngstown, Ohio
- Most Outstanding Research Oral Presentation by a Resident or Student by **Pierre Dalumpines, M.D.**, and **Atul Dogra, M.D.**, from Akron General Medical Center for Family Medicine, Akron, Ohio.

There were three top achievers that conducted education presentations or presented posters:

- Most Outstanding Education Oral Presentation by **Linda Myerholtz, Ph.D.**, from Mercy Health Partners Family Medicine Residency Program, Toledo, Ohio
- Most Outstanding Education Poster Presentation by **Glen Aukerman, M.D.**, and **Laura Kunze, M.A.E.T., A.T.R.-B.C., L.C.D.C.I.I.I.** from OSU, Center for Integrative Medicine
- Most Outstanding Education Poster by a Resident or Student by **Andrew Ibrahim, Sonali Lala, Nilu Kahn** and **Harveen Lamba** from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, School of Medicine.

*The Ohio Academy of Family Physicians is a statewide, professional association with more than 4,400 members, including practicing physicians, family medicine residents and medical students. The scope of family medicine encompasses all ages, both sexes and every disease entity. Family physicians provide comprehensive, continuing care to all members of the family. For more information, visit [www.ohioafp.org](http://www.ohioafp.org).*