

Meritorious Service Awards Program

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CAP Distinguished Patient Care Award – This award recognizes and honors a member of the CAP who has made an outstanding contribution to patient care. It represents behavior that when emulated enhances the practice of pathology in addition to reflecting the mission, vision, and values of the CAP.	Kathleen G. Beavis, MD, FCAP (1 of 2 honorees)	For her contributions to the CAP by serving in various roles on the Microbiology Resource Committee, the Safety Committee, and the Council on Scientific Affairs which lead to improved patient care. Specifically, Dr. Beavis was instrumental in establishing a partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Association of Public Health Laboratories to produce the Laboratory Preparedness Exercise, designed to strengthen a laboratory's ability to recognize possible bioterrorism organisms.
	Meenakshi Singh, MD, FCAP (2 of 2 honorees)	For her contributions to patient care in the area of personalized medicine with a focus on biomarkers for cancer prevention, diagnosis, and treatment; pre-neoplastic lesions; and breast and gynecologic cancers. Dr. Singh also developed the <i>Digital Atlas of Breast Pathology</i> and the <i>Digital Atlas of Gynecological Pathology</i> to assist physicians diagnosing and managing these diseases.
CAP Distinguished Service Award – This award recognizes outstanding contributions to the practice of pathology and to the College of American Pathologists.	Karl V. Voelkerding, MD, FCAP	For his expertise and distinguished service to the CAP and the specialty as chair of the Next-Generation Sequencing (NGS) Project Team. Dr. Voelkerding led the team in developing the CAP's first NGS Proficiency Testing (PT) program, and he has contributed to additional NGS PT development to ensure the accuracy and reliability of clinical NGS assays. He also guided the project team to create the first NGS checklist, revisiting it annually to provide the appropriate guidance for NGS laboratories in this dynamic field.
CAP Excellence in Education – This award recognizes outstanding contributions in the development of CME and CE activities in support of CAP education for pathologists and/or laboratory professionals.	Walter H. Henricks, MD, FCAP	For his unwavering leadership, expertise, and influence in informatics education, especially in his support and advocacy of the CAP CME and GME programs. Specifically for: (1) leading informatics-related education, including integrating informatics concepts into scientific courses at the CAP annual meeting, (2) serving as the Education and Accreditation Subcommittee Chair of the Informatics Committee, and (3) for co-leading a unique collaboration between the Association of Pathology Chairs (APC), the Association for Pathology Informatics (API), and the CAP in defining, developing, and implementing an informatics curriculum for residents with potential to impact more than 140 US pathology residency programs

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<p>CAP Excellence in Teaching Award – This award recognizes consistently outstanding contributions as faculty for one or more education activities resulting in exceptional professional development opportunities for pathologists.</p>	<p>Richard M. Scanlan, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>For his significant contributions in developing and presenting CAP inspector training and laboratory management education as a regular faculty for inspector training workshops and webinars, LMD AP3 events, and past CAP annual meetings.</p>
<p>CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program (LAP) Service Award Established in Honor of Major General Joseph M. Blumberg – This award recognizes a member of the CAP who has contributed exceptional and outstanding service to the CAP's Laboratory Accreditation Program (LAP).</p>	<p>Stephen J. Sarewitz, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>For his outstanding contributions and extensive service to the CAP LAP over the years. Within the CAP accreditation programs, Dr. Sarewitz has made significant contributions as Commissioner, serving as the Washington State Commissioner from 1985–1987, Northwest Regional Commissioner from 1987–1994, Special Commissioner for Complaint Investigations and PTES Oversight and Equivalency Determinations from 1994–1998. As the CAP Checklist Commissioner and inaugural chair of the Checklist Committee, Dr. Sarewitz brought the accreditation checklists to legendary greatness.</p> <p>Dr. Sarewitz served on the Board of Governors from 2011–2014. He chaired the Risk Management Committee from 2014–2015 and the Workgroup on Validation of Laboratory Developed Tests from 2013–2015. He also has served as vice-chair of the COA and the COE, and as a member of the Learning Portfolio Subcommittee, Constitution and Bylaws Committee, EPP Steering Committee, and Accreditation Education Committee. He has been a CAP spokesperson since 2009 and a LAP inspector since 1981.</p>
<p>CAP Laboratory Improvement Program (LIP) Service Award – This award recognizes an individual serving within the ranks of the CAP Council on Scientific Affairs (CSA) who has demonstrated exceptional service.</p>	<p>William J. Castellani, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>For his outstanding contributions and service to the CAP LIP over the years. Dr. Castellani, Chair, Standards Committee, previously served as chair of the Instrumentation Committee and the CAP15189 Committee. He also served on the Checklists Committee and the Diagnostic Intelligence and Health Information Technology Committee (DIHIT).</p> <p>Dr. Castellani's expertise in the standards area includes participating as the CAP's outbound liaison to the ISO TC 212 Working Group 1 on Quality Management which allowed him to bridge the gap between development of ISO standards that directly impact the CAP15189 program, which is overseen by the Working Group 1. He also has written a CAP TODAY Shorts on Standards article, "Revising ISO 15189: goals and next steps." He developed and presented two web conferences for the Continuing Compliance Master Series offered in 2014 and 2015. He has conducted more than 50 laboratory inspections and has authored or co-authored 12 Archives of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine manuscripts.</p>

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CAP Lifetime Achievement Award – This award recognizes and honors a CAP member who has made a broad and positive impact on the pathology profession through contributions to one or more areas of the College over an extended period of time.	Hector C. Aldape, MD, FCAP (1 of 6 honorees)	For his distinguished service to the CAP's LAP throughout the years. Dr. Aldape has performed numerous inspections for the LAP since 1993. Within the CAP accreditation programs, he has made significant contributions as State Commissioner for Latin American laboratories.
	Daniel J. Brat, MD, PhD, FCAP (2 of 6 honorees)	For his outstanding contributions and service as chair of the Neuropathology Committee (NPC). His leadership and expertise provided the continued advancement in the practice of neuropathology, which is reflected in the continued enhancement and support of the CAP Neuropathology CME/SAM program. He also supported and led the successful release of the CAP cancer protocols by serving as an active liaison between the NPC and the Cancer Committee.
	Desiree A. Carlson, MD, FCAP (3 of 6 honorees)	For her extensive contributions to the CAP over the years. Dr. Carlson has served on the Finance Committee, Political Action Committee (PathPAC), Nominating Committee, Member Research Panel, Inspection Process Committee, the CAP Foundation Board of Directors and she currently chairs the Complaints and Investigations Committee and is a member of the COA. She has been a LAP inspector since 1978. Within the CAP accreditation programs, Dr. Carlson has made significant contributions as commissioner, serving as the Northeast Regional Commissioner since 1990.
	Joan E. Etzell, MD, FCAP (4 of 6 honorees)	For her distinguished CAP service over the years as a member, vice-chair, and chair of the Hematology/Clinical Microscopy Resource Committee. In addition, Dr. Etzell further supported the CAP by teaching courses at several annual meetings and participating in the development of the evidence-based guideline, CAP/ASH Algorithm for Initial Work-up of Acute Leukemia. She has been instrumental in the developing and writing the popular Hematology Benchtop Reference Guide and the Urinalysis Benchtop Reference Guide and revising the Color Atlas of Hematology.

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	Vinay Kumar, MD, FCAP (5 of 6 honorees)	<p>For his contributions in two areas: basic research and medical education. In 1974, two years after Dr. Kumar (an Honorary Fellow of the CAP since 2010), joined the Boston University School of Medicine, he and his collaborator, Michael Bennett, MD, proposed the existence of a novel subset of lymphoid cells with anti-leukemic activity in vivo. Subsequently, his group and others identified these as NK cells. Their research also led to the discovery that NK cells mediate acute rejection of incompatible bone marrow transplants in mice, and their laboratory has characterized the molecular nature of surface receptors that regulate NK cell function. This continues to be the focus of his current research. His group has identified key cytokines that are essential for NK cell development. Some of these cytokines are now in clinical trials for cancer treatment. In 2004, he was elected a fellow of the American Association for Advancement of Sciences for "pioneering studies on the discovery of NK cells." He has more than 160 peer-reviewed publications in major journals including Nature, Science, the Journal of Experimental Medicine, and Immunity.</p> <p>Dr. Kumar also is deeply interested in medical and graduate student education, having served as the pathology course director at both Boston University and UT Southwestern in Dallas. Along with the late Stanley L. Robbins, MD, and Ramzi S. Cotran, MD, Dr. Kumar has co-authored Robbins Pathologic Basis of Disease and Basic Pathology for the past 32 years. Currently, he is the senior editor and author of both text books, now in their eighth and ninth editions. Together they are the most widely used and influential pathology texts in the world and have been translated into more than 13 languages. He has mentored or co-mentored more than 20 graduate students. He served on the Association of American Medical Colleges-Howard Hughes Medical Institute task force, which recently published a report titled "Scientific Foundation for Future Physicians."</p>
	Kailash B. Sharma, MD, FCAP (6 of 6 honorees)	<p>For his service to the CAP over the years. Dr. Sharma has been a fellow of the CAP since 1974, and a LAP inspector since 1994. He currently serves on the International Venture Steering Committee, the COA, and the Inspection Process Committee, which he previously chaired. Within the CAP accreditation programs, Dr. Sharma has made significant contributions serving as an LAP Commissioner since 2006.</p>
CAP Outstanding Communicator Award Established in Honor of William L. Kuehn – This award honors and recognizes outstanding communication contributions that strengthen the image of pathology.	Carey Zimmerman August, MD, FCAP	<p>For her tireless efforts in making the value of pathology a professional priority. Not only has she proactively worked with the media and the community, she has worked one-on-one with her colleagues to make them better communicators and advocates for the profession.</p> <p>As chair of the Professional and Community Engagement Committee, Dr. August leads the team overseeing the Engaged Leadership Academy (ELA) and the Engaged Leadership Network (ELN) and serves as a trainer at the ELA. She also is active in Gilda's Club, a cancer patient support group where she helps patients and their loved ones understand how</p>

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<p>CAP Outstanding Service Award Established in Honor of Frank W. Hartman – This award recognizes a Fellow of the CAP for outstanding service to a single CAP program, project, or related endeavor, generally over a long period of time.</p>	<p>Jonathan L. Myles, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>For his exemplary service in support of the CAP's advocacy program for many years. His work on the Economic Affairs Committee (2006-present), where he has served in many capacities, has been especially noteworthy. Since 2010, he also has been a member of the Council on Government and Professional Affairs (CGPA), and he has held a variety of other roles ranging from CAP spokesperson to a member of the Risk Management Committee.</p> <p>Dr. Myles' work with the CAP, especially his arduous and continuous work with the AMA/Specialty Society Relative Value Scale Update Committee (RUC) since 2006, has resulted in tens of millions of dollars of reimbursement flowing to the specialty that would not have occurred otherwise.</p>
<p>CAP Pathology Advancement Award – This award recognizes a person or team that demonstrates components of foresight, resolve, and untiring commitment to both evolutionary and revolutionary undertakings that advance the positioning of the pathologists in the House of Medicine and the delivery of safer patient care. It recognizes efforts that are neither easy nor obvious and the recipient often will be a change agent.</p>	<p>Cordelia E. Sever, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>Dr. Sever is one of those rare pathologists who embrace not only difficult challenges, but the changes that often come with them.</p> <p>Over the last 10 years, she has participated in her department's evidence-based medicine efforts and is a full proponent of their usage. Dr. Sever chaired the CAP Pathology and Laboratory Quality Center's expert panel that conceived and developed the Bone Marrow Synoptic Reporting for Hematologic Neoplasms evidence-based guideline. She wholeheartedly tackled the task from concept to publication and initiated a different approach for the research questions. Although the process was daunting and took three years to develop, the guideline is the first of its kind that ties the elements of a bone marrow synoptic report directly to patient outcomes.</p> <p>Dr. Sever presented the draft recommendations at the Arab Health conference in 2015 and at CAP '15 and will continue to participate in dissemination efforts. Due to her expertise in evidence-based medicine and strong leadership skills, she has been approved to co-chair another guideline: a joint effort between with the American Society of Hematology (ASH) and the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) on Laboratory Requirements for Work-up of the Initial Diagnosis of Malignant Lymphoma, scheduled to launch in 2016.</p> <p>Dr. Sever earned Lean Six Sigma certification from Villanova University and completed the Presbyterian Executive Excellence Program. Her pursuit in these multi-disciplinary activities,</p>

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		including evidence-based medicine, helps position herself and her colleagues to assume leadership roles and expand the influence of pathologists as members of the health care team.
<p>CAP Pathologist of the Year Award – This award honors a CAP leader for outstanding contributions to the field of pathology and to the programs and activities of the College of American Pathologists.</p>	<p>Gene N. Herbek, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>For his strong leadership of the College of American Pathologists (CAP) during his 2013-2015 term as president and for his numerous contributions to the CAP and the CAP Foundation including serving for many years on the Board as a Governor and an Officer in addition to serving in a variety of roles on the House of Delegates, Finance Committee, Investment Committee, Risk Management Committee, Practice Management Committee, etc. Dr. Herbek was the driving force behind establishing the CAP Foundation's See Test & Treat® program as well as the Spokespersons Training Program, now the Engaged Leadership Academy. However, Dr. Herbek's greatest legacy to the pathology profession is his commitment to mentoring and encouraging young pathologists.</p>
<p>CAP Public Service Award Established in Honor of Frank C. Coleman – This award is given to a CAP Fellow who best exemplifies the political, citizenship, and leadership qualities of the late Dr. Frank C. Colman, sixth president of the College of American Pathologists (CAP). It is the CAP's highest honor for outstanding accomplishments and dedication to political and civic life and to public service in the United States.</p>	<p>Diana M. Cardona, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>For her tireless work in leading the way for pathologists to participate in the evolving payment paradigms that we face today.</p> <p>Dr. Cardona has been the CAP member lead for the past two years with the CMS PQRS program, and she is one of the key leaders of the member/staff team assessing and developing the appropriate strategies to maximize the visible and reimbursed value pathologists bring to our patients in both the public and private payer setting.</p>

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<p>CAP Resident Advocate Award – This award recognizes outstanding contributions to and support of pathology residents and fellows.</p>	<p>Joseph Allan Tucker, MD, FCAP</p>	<p>Awarded posthumously for his outstanding contributions and support of pathology residents. Dr. Tucker was often described as someone who made pathology fun and entertaining, a delightful and brilliant teacher who continually inspired medical students to choose pathology as a career. Many young leaders received a positive introduction to organized medicine because of him. This affirmation has helped build a passion for and dedication to the specialty.</p> <p>His involvement in the CAP included serving on the Economic Affairs Committee, the Graduate Medical Education Committee, and the House of Delegates as well as being a frequent speaker and panelist for the Residents Forum.</p> <p>Dr. Tucker, who was the Louise Lenoir Locke Professor and Chair of Pathology and Director of Anatomic Pathology at the University of Southern Alabama (USA) College of Medicine until he stepped down in August 2015, is a prime example of someone who devoted his life to residents.</p>
<p>CAP Staff Outstanding Achievement Award – This award recognizes and honors College staff whose contributions during their career have greatly impacted and supported the growth and improvement of the College of American Pathologists (CAP), including its staff and members and patients.</p>	<p>Denise K. Driscoll, MS, MT(ASCP)SBB</p>	<p>For her significant and positive impact in support of the CAP and its members. As Senior Director, Laboratory Accreditation and Regulatory Affairs, Ms. Driscoll, is the CAP's principal ambassador with the CMS ensuring that our CAP accreditation programs continue to meet CMS requirements, while leading our internal team in the programs' continuous evolution. In partnership with members and staff, she leads the annual revision of the accreditation checklists, which change over time to reflect current laboratory medicine practices and new technologies. Further, Ms. Driscoll works closely with CAP Advocacy staff to align efforts with the CAP's overall policy agenda as many elements of accreditation interest various government agencies. She regularly represents the CAP externally as a domestic or international inspection team member and a presenter at a variety of laboratory conferences speaking to current and prospective CAP customers. She is a shining example of living the CAP brand.</p> <p>Internally, she is seen as a strong leader who many rely upon for her years of experience and in-depth knowledge of accreditation. She has been on CAP staff since 1995, and she has been responsible for inspection cycle management, complaints investigations, and key staffing for the Commission on Laboratory Accreditation.</p>