James A. Stockman III, MD Presented with Special Award by APPD

Nashville, TN – The American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) is proud to announce that James A. Stockman III, MD, was recently honored with a Special Award for Outstanding Lifetime Contributions to Pediatric Medical Education and the Development of Pediatricians.

Dr. Stockman was presented with the special award by the Association of Pediatric Program Directors (APPD) on April 11, 2013 in Nashville, TN. He served as one of the APPD’s first presidents, providing instrumental leadership when the organization was in its early years of development. The impact of his dedication and leadership in the pediatric medical education community spans more than 40 years.

Dr. Stockman is Senior Advisor for the ABP and Senior Fellow for the ABP Foundation. Previously, Dr. Stockman served 20 years as President and CEO of the ABP and the ABP Foundation.

“For the 20 years of leadership of the American Board of Pediatrics and indeed throughout his entire career, Dr. Jim Stockman has been a passionate advocate of excellence in pediatric residency education,” said current ABP President and CEO, Dr. David G. Nichols.

“This award by the Association of Pediatric Program Directors is richly deserved.”

Dr. Stockman received his undergraduate degree from St. Joseph’s College and his Doctor of Medicine degree from Jefferson Medical College. He was Chief Resident at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, and later a visiting fellow in the Division of Oncology. He completed an additional fellowship in the Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at the State University of New York (SUNY) Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, formerly known as SUNY Health Science Center at Syracuse. In 1974, the same year he was first certified by the American Board of Pediatrics, he was appointed Assistant Professor of Pediatrics. He was promoted to associate professor and vice-chair in 1977 and then made full professor in 1981.

In 1984, he became Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatrics, at Northwestern University Medical School. Between 1984 and 1992, he served as Chair of Medicine, Physician-in-Chief, and Women’s Board Centennial Chair in Pediatrics at Children’s Memorial Hospital, as well as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs of the McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern. He is a Professor of Clinical Pediatrics.
at both the University of North Carolina and Duke University schools of medicine. He has authored more than 200 publications, including several widely respected books in the field. He is a long time editor of the Year Book of Pediatrics, having first stepped into the role in 1991 after serving as the co-editor from 1979-1991. As mentioned above, Dr. Stockman was a member of the Association of Pediatric Program Directors (AAPD) from 1986-92, serving as the AAPD President from 1990-92.

He is the 2005 recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award given by the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, as well as the 2004 recipient of the Richard D. Wood Distinguished Alumni Award given by the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia Alumni Organization. He also is the 1999 recipient of the Joseph W. St. Geme, Jr., Leadership Award, and in 1992 he received the AAP Professional Medical Education Award.

About the ABP

Founded in 1933, the American Board of Pediatrics (ABP) is one of the 24 certifying boards of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS). The ABP is an independent, nonprofit organization whose certificate is recognized throughout the world as a credential signifying a high level of physician competence.

The ABP awards certification in General Pediatrics and 14 subspecialty areas such as Adolescent Medicine, Cardiology, Emergency Medicine, and Neonatology. Certification is also awarded in conjunction with other specialty boards in the areas of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Medical Toxicology, Neurodevelopmental Disabilities, Sleep Medicine, Sports Medicine and Transplant Hepatology.

Through the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) process, pediatricians not only pursue the improvement of healthcare for children but also demonstrate their advanced knowledge and commitment to lifelong learning. Pediatricians who participate in MOC learn how to measure quality of care and effectively improve their practice.

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