



ALLIANCE OF INDEPENDENT ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTERS

Weinberg Award Application Form

Name of Nominee:	<u>Ronald Amedee, MD</u>		
Nominee Title:	<u>Designated Institutional Official, Graduate Medical Education</u>		
Institution:	<u>Ochsner Health System</u>		
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Same as above; skip to question 1 -OR-

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1. Please describe the nominee's leadership in academic medicine, both locally and nationally:

Dr. Amedee has a long history of dedication to the field of academic medicine. He has held numerous positions within academic medicine in the university-based and independent medical centers. Positions held at Tulane University School of Medicine included Executive Director of Medical Education, Program Director for the Otolaryngology Residency, and Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education. Faculty titles held at the Tulane University School of Medicine included Clinical Professor in the Department of Pediatrics, Clinical Professor in the Department of Neurosurgery, and Clinical Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery. Currently, Dr. Amedee is the Designated Institutional Official, Graduate Medical Education at Ochsner Health System, a long-standing member of the AIAMC. Prior to his current position at the Ochsner Health System, he held the position of Chairman for the Department of Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery from 2007 – 2014. While still maintaining all three of his Clinical Professor positions at Tulane University School of Medicine, in 2009, he received the faculty position of Professor with the University of Queensland, School of Medicine. In 2013, Dr. Amedee was selected to become a member of the elite Institutional Review Committee for the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education. Service to the ACGME community that he continues to date.

Dr. Amedee scholarly output is vast, consuming 43 pages on his Curriculum Vitae, not only has been produced, but he has also contributed significantly as a reviewer for the *American Journal of Rhinology*, *Archives of Otolaryngology- Head and Neck Surgery*, *Ear and Hearing*, *Skull Based Surgery*, *Allergies in Otolaryngology*, *Southern Medicine Journal*, *Head and Neck*, *Laryngoscope*, *Informed Choices in Respiratory Infections*, *Otology-Neurotology*, *Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery*, *Annals of Otology, Rhinology and Laryngology*, *Journal of Louisiana State Medical Society*, *Acta Otolaryngologica*, and *Journal for Graduate Medical Education*. In addition, he has been a member of the Editorial Board for the *American Journal of Rhinology*, *International Tinnitus Journal*, *Laryngoscope*, *Otology-Neurotology*, *Journal of the Louisiana State Medical Society*, and is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the *Ochsner Journal*, the official journal for the AIAMC.

Dr. Amedee has received numerous scholarships, to include the Fulbright Commission and Institute of International Education (one of only 30), grants, funding as the Principal Investigator for research, and invitations to speak across the United States and around the world to include the University of Washington, University of Freiburg (Germany), Shea Clinical Foundation in Memphis, University of Mainz (Germany), University of Texas – Southwestern, National Congress of Otorhinolaryngology (Honduras), University of Texas- El Paso, National Congress of Otorhinolaryngology (El Salvador), Louisiana State University, Central American Congress of Otorhinolaryngology (Guatemala), Honduran Congress for Social Security Physicians, Kantonsspital University of St. Gallen (Switzerland), Toa Payoh University Hospital (Singapore), Mahidol University (Thailand), University of Malaya (Malaysia), University of Kebangsaan Malaysia, Columbia Medical Society (South Carolina), University of Minnesota, University of Alabama – Birmingham, University of Illinois, University of Mississippi, Primer Congreso Medico (Costa Rica), University of Miami, and University of Naples (Italy).

2. How has the nominee served as an advocate for the independent academic medical Center (IAMC)?

Dr. Amedee has demonstrated his commitment to the Alliance of Independent Academic Medical Centers through his service in various roles since 2009. He has participated in the Meeting Planning Committee since 2009, chaired the Graduate Medical Education Forum in 2011, participated in the Committee on Integration of Academics and Quality since 2011, and has served on the AIAMC Board of Directors for the past seven years. He joined the Board of Directors in 2011 and moved into the President Elect position in 2012. Dr. Amedee led the AIAMC as the President from 2014 – 2016 and is now serving as the Immediate Past President. During his tenure as the President Elect, President and Immediate Past President, Dr. Amedee very effectively led the organization and provided countless hours of mentorship, council, advice, and support to numerous colleagues at AIAMC member organizations. In addition, demonstrating his commitment to improving the quality of medical education to ultimately drive improvement in patient care delivery, Dr. Amedee has been a very active member of the Ochsner Health System National Initiatives II – V.

3. Please describe how the nominee has articulated his/her vision for the future of academic medicine in the IAMC:

Dr. Amedee has been an advocate and champion for the Independent Academic Medical Center even while holding a leadership role at a University-based medical center. As a leader at Tulane University School of Medicine he recognized and actively demonstrated appreciation for the clinical experience provided by Independent Academic Medical Centers. His decision to transition from a University-based to an Independent-based Academic Medical Center demonstrated his belief in the high-quality of medical education that is delivered by Independent Academic Medical Centers. Drawing on his experience in both environments, Dr. Amedee is in a very unique position to identify the critical contributions made by each. Yet, he chooses to remain at an Independent Academic Medical Center.

In closing, working with Dr. Amedee I see first-hand his enthusiasm, passion, and dedication for all facets of Academic Medicine. He appreciates that there are significant support structures necessary and contributions made by many to ensure collective success. He is the mentor and champion for everyone engaged in Medical Education. As a recognized thought leader in Academic Medicine, Dr. Amedee challenges all to think differently, to consider alternatives, and appreciate that there may be another way to achieve better results. The Ochsner Health System is recognized as a leader among Independent Academic Medical Centers and that is significantly due to the great work and leadership of Dr. Amedee. His enthusiasm for 'the mission' is infectious and inspires the team to find joy in their work and to do their very best. He is one of the most generous, kind, and thoughtful individuals with which I have had the pleasure to work. Dr. Amedee is known for frequent use of the word 'excited'....he is often times heard walking around the office saying 'this is exciting' which demonstrates his love of the workor maybe it is because he has had two double espressos, he has been up for four hours....and its only 8 am...but that is a story for a different nomination.

4. Has the nominee received national recognition for his/her contributions to academic medicine?

Yes No

If yes, please describe: Please see response to question #1.

5. If chosen for this award, will the nominee be present to receive it at the AIAMC 2017 Annual Meeting, to be held March 30 – April 1 in Amelia Island?

Yes No Not Sure

Thank you for considering the nomination of Dr. Ron Amedee for the 2017 Ethel Weinberg, MD award.

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