



## Call for Nominations for the Joseph W. St. Geme, Jr. Leadership Award

The death of Joseph W. St. Geme, Jr., MD, in 1986, removed from American pediatrics a leader with vision and selfless dedication to the ideal of excellence. His concern for the patient and the future of health care was well known. Certainly he was a leader in the forums addressing issues concerning the future of pediatric education and research. It seemed appropriate, therefore, to honor his memory in a manner that would remind present and future generations of pediatricians that one individual can make a difference, and all should try, when the health care of children is at stake.

The member societies of the Federation of Pediatric Organizations established an endowment fund for what is now the Joseph W. St. Geme, Jr. Leadership Award. Dr. St. Geme's stature in pediatrics was reflected by his meaningful participation in all facets of pediatrics as demonstrated by the sponsorship of this award by these societies:

Academic Pediatric Association  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
American Board of Pediatrics  
American Pediatric Society  
Association of Medical School Department Chairs  
Association of Pediatric Program Directors  
Society for Pediatric Research

This award was established as an effort on the part of these organizations to honor the life, work, and memory of Joe St. Geme and to memorialize his many contributions to and his aspirations for pediatrics. Many of Dr. St. Geme's friends and colleagues have contributed to this award as well as major contributions from Ross Laboratories, Hoechst-Roussel Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Connaught Laboratories, Inc., Merck & Company, Inc., and Mead Johnson Nutrition.

### Criteria for Selection

1. The individual must be a pediatrician who is perceived as a role model for others to emulate, as a clinician, an educator, and/or an investigator.
2. The individual must be a leader who has "created a future" for pediatrics and for children and has played an active role in one or more organizations sponsoring this award.
3. The individual should preferably have a record of broad sustained contributions to pediatrics that have had or will have a major impact on child health.
4. The individual must be currently active in pediatrics.
5. The individual can be a retired member of any of the pediatric organizations sponsoring this award.

Dr. St. Geme was to have been President of the American Pediatric Society in its 100<sup>th</sup> year and was to preside at the APS spring meetings. For this reason, the spring meetings of the APS have been the venue for the award presentation each year. The first award was presented on May 3, 1988.

### Past Recipients

1988	Sam Katz	2002	Walter Tunnessen
1989	Robert Haggerty	2003	Thomas Boat
1990	Frank Oski	2004	Myron Genel
1991	Lewis Barness	2005	Robert Kelch
1992	Morris Green	2006	Carol Berkowitz
1993	Abraham Rudolph	2007	Richard Behrman
1994	Vincent Fulginiti	2008	Douglas Jones
1995	Ralph Feigin	2009	Kenneth Roberts
1996	Jimmy Simon	2010	Stephen Ludwig
1997	Errol Alden	2011	George Lister
1998	Catherine DeAngelis	2012	Gail McGuinness
1999	James Stockman	2013	Renee Jenkins
2000	Evan Charney	2014	Lewis First
2001	Russell Chesney	2015	Barry Zuckerman

### Nominations

Society nominations, individual nominations and self-nominations are accepted. Please forward the name of the nominee, a letter of support, and an updated CV to Katy Matthews ([kmatthews@aap.org](mailto:kmatthews@aap.org)) by Monday, December 14, 2015.