

The Awards Committee manages the awards presented at the annual meeting. Calls for nominations for all awards are distributed in the fall of each year, a few weeks after the annual meeting. Members of SMDM are encouraged to submit nominations.

The **Career Achievement Award** recognizes distinguished senior investigators who have made significant contributions to the field of medical decision making. The 2009 award will be presented to:

Alan Garber, MD, PhD, Stanford University, Stanford, CA

The **Eugene L. Saenger Award** for Distinguished Service to SMDM recognizes service to SMDM in terms of leadership, role in the operations of the Society, and contributions to the scientific and educational activities of the Society. The 2009 award will be presented to:

John B. Wong, MD, Tufts-New England Medical Center, Boston, MA

The **John M. Eisenberg Award** for Practical Application of Medical Decision Making Research recognizes an individual or organization that has demonstrated sustained leadership in translating medical decision making research into practice, and that has taken exceptional steps to communicate the principles and/or substantive findings of medical decision making research to policy makers, to clinical decision makers, and to the general public. The 2009 award will be presented to:

Sue Goldie, MD, MPH, Harvard School of Public Health, Boston, MA

The **Award for Outstanding Paper by a Young Investigator** is presented for a paper published in the year prior to the award. The definition of a "young investigator" is contained in the call for nominations distributed in the fall of each year. The 2009 award will be presented to:

Heather Taffet Gold, PhD, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, NY

Gold HT, Do HT, Dick AW. "Correlates and effect of suboptimal radiotherapy in situ or early invasive breast cancer." *Cancer* 2008; 113(11): 3108-3115.

The **Lee B. Lusted Student Prize Award** Each year the Lee B. Lusted Prize Student Fund recognizes students' original research in medical decision making. The prize provides a cash award to a winner and three runners up in order to attract the best and brightest young minds to SMDM. Recipients will be chosen during the conference.

The **Best Short Course Award** will be announced during the Leadership Awards presentation.

Help Support SMDM

The **Society for Medical Decision Making** relies on contributions from its members to support the **John M. Eisenberg Practical Application of Medical Decision Making Research Award** and the **Lee B. Lusted Student Prize Award**. We are asking every member to consider making a tax deductible contribution of \$20 to one or both of these award programs along with their registration. If you are considering a larger, please go to smdm.org and click on **Support SMDM**. If every conference attendee contributes a small amount, we will ensure that the **John M. Eisenberg Practical Application of Medical Decision Making Research Award** and the **Lee B. Lusted Student Prize Award** continue to support and strengthen the field of medical decision making!

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