This evening, the Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society-Western Division (PAGS-WD) is pleased to honor the 2018 Geriatrics Teacher of the Year Award recipients: Jordan F. Karp, MD and Heather Sakely, Pharm.D, BCPS, BCGP.

The awards were established in 2016 to honor outstanding teachers (a physician and healthcare professional) for their dedication and commitment to geriatrics education and who exemplify geriatrics teaching excellence.

Jordan F. Karp MD is the 2018 Geriatrics Teacher of the Year Award recipient, which recognizes a physician who has made significant contributions to the education and training of learners in geriatrics and to the progress of geriatrics education across the health professions. Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Anesthesiology, and Clinical and Translational Science, University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine Director, Fellowship in Geriatric Psychiatry at UPMC.

Heather A. Sakely, PharmD, BCPS, BCGP the 2018 recipient of the Healthcare Professional Geriatrics Teacher of the Year Award, which recognizes a healthcare professional who has made significant contributions to the education and training of learners in geriatrics and to the progress of geriatrics education across the health professions.

Dr. Toto has presented numerous national and regional peer-reviewed presentations on geriatric topics ranging from best practice physical activity strategies for older adults to client-centered goal setting for older adult well-being. She has developed and taught courses at the undergraduate, graduate and doctoral levels at several universities to well over 1,200 students that promote healthy aging for older adults.