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## Emergency Physician Advocacy Award Presented at EM Leadership Forum to Michael P. Phelan, MD, FACEP

Columbus, OH—On April 21, at the Emergency Medicine Leadership Forum, the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians, (Ohio ACEP) was pleased to present the 2015 *Emergency Physician Advocacy Award* to a remarkable physician advocate, **Michael P. Phelan, MD, FACEP**.

The purpose of the *Emergency Physician Advocacy Award* is to recognize outstanding leadership in advocacy efforts on behalf Emergency Medicine. The recipient of this award will have engaged in advocacy efforts at local, regional, and/or national levels.

Dr. Michael Phelan has been tireless in such advocacy efforts, especially on behalf of Emergency Medicine patients. He has pursued this advocacy in a number of ways, including health policy and research into advancing measures of emergency department effectiveness.

Dr. Phelan serves on ACEP's Quality and Performance Committee, which evaluates and comments on national standards for emergency department patient care. As a member of ACEP's Quality and Patient Safety Section, he has worked on chief-complaint-based quality indicators and emergency department hand-off projects. Thanks to his influential work at the national level, he has been asked to serve as a technical expert for the Measure Application Partnership. His efforts have led to improvements in measuring emergency department performance, including a now-nationally recognized quality metric.

Dr. Phelan was nominated for the *Emergency Physician Advocacy Award* by his colleague, Dr. Steven Dorsey, who praised his growth as a physician and advocate for patient care. Dr. Phelan holds a joint appointment in the Cleveland Clinic's Quality and Patient Safety Institute as a medical director where he helps manage the Cleveland Clinic's relationship with the National Quality Forum, a not-for-profit, nonpartisan, membership-based organization that works to catalyze improvements in healthcare.

Ohio ACEP congratulates Dr. Michael Phelan for his well-deserved accolade!

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Ohio ACEP is a state medical specialty society representing emergency medicine physicians with more than 1,300 members. For more than 40 years, Ohio ACEP has served the state's emergency physicians through tireless advocacy, nationally-recognized continuing medical education, and physician leadership development.

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Recipient of the 2015  
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