

Institute Accolades: May 17, 2017

Welcome new Board Members:

- Dr. William Shrank – Chief Medical Officer, UPMC Health Plan
- Deborah Brodine – President, UPMC Community Provider Services
- Dr. James Schuster – Chief Medical Officer, UPMC Health Plan and Community Care Behavioral Health Organization

Graduating Senior, Chirag Kulkarni – Was selected to be one of the 36 Jefferson Scholars from around the world, which entails a full scholarship to the University of Virginia. He will be majoring in theoretical mathematics and mechanical-engineering, with a possible minor in bio-engineering.

Grant Owner, Nitin Agarwal – 2016 Grant Recipient and author of *The Evolution of Health Literacy*.

Grant Owner, Dr. Carla Spagnoletti – *What Did They Say?* Received the following recognition:

- **Best Oral Presentation** at the **GME Leadership Conference**, February 2017
- Presentation at the **Press Ganey National Client Conference**, February 2017
- Awarded **Best Medical Education Research** for the Department of Medicine Research, May 2017

This year's **Day of Conversation** focused on our employees, who are also caregivers. The committee, led by Amy Kowinsky, teamed up with HALO (a UPMC group, which stands for Helping Aging Loved Ones) to provide info on the importance of advance care planning. They also attended 3 caregiver fairs at pilot sites (East McKeesport and the Quantum building) to provide advance care planning information and support to this group of employees.

Funding Success:

- 4 Years
- 40 Grants
- \$920,569