

# Recognizing Outstanding Service Excellence



**Andrew Ahmann**

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## **A patient, who is also a colleague, submitted the following nomination...**

I nominate Dr. Andrew Ahmann for a Golden ROSE Award for his outstanding patient care. I first met Dr. Ahmann over 15 years ago when I was transitioning from pediatric care of my type 1 diabetes to self care as a freshman in college 2000 miles from home. On my first visit, he reassured my nervous mother that I would have my diabetes well managed during my college years. He was correct. Due to insurance policy changes and several moves, I had to leave his care, but happily returned as his patient last year. I was expecting a baby, and with my diabetes I needed to have frequent visits to Dr. Ahmann. As always, I was extraordinarily impressed with his patient care. I have always felt like a priority under his care, even though I know he has many patients and many other hospital duties. He always solicits my ideas as to how I could improve my glycemic control. I feel like I am an active participant in managing my health. Through his diligent care, I have always felt empowered to manage my diabetes and live a long, healthy life. Despite his busy schedule, Dr. Ahmann is always readily accessible for consultation. I work as an OHSU night shift RN, and he allowed me to set up appointments at times convenient to me, even if it wasn't his regular clinic day or time. I could go on and on with examples of the excellent care I have received from Dr. Ahmann. I have also witnessed this is the same care he extends to all his patients, not just me. I have had the honor of working with him as a glycemic nurse champion. He strives to improve the lives of all those with diabetes. His dedication to OHSU and his patients is amazing; he most certainly deserves to be commended for his outstanding service.

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