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Seagraves Is First Pharmacist to Receive Healthcare Georgia Foundation award

Gregory Brian Seagraves (’04) has been chosen for the 2016 Joseph D. Greene Community Service Award by the Healthcare Georgia Foundation’s award selection committee.

Seagraves is the first pharmacist ever selected for this honor, which was bestowed upon him for his work as the director of the Hepatitis C Treatment Clinic at the Mercy Health Center in Athens. During his five years as the Clinic’s director, Seagraves has treated more than 100 Athens area indigent citizens infected with hepatitis C. Seagraves is also responsible for building the multi-disciplinary team approach to treat this chronic disease, which has resulted in a 97% cure rate.

Seagraves joined the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy faculty in January 2016 as an academic professional associate. Previously he had been Pharmacist in Charge at Pharmaceutical Specialties in Bogart from 2006 to 2015 and at Athens Custom Meds in Athens from 2004 to 2006.

Each year since 2003 the Healthcare Georgia Foundation has awarded the Joseph D. Greene community service award to five individuals and one community collaborative for “passionate and unselfish service in the promotion of better health and healthcare for underserved individuals and communities.”

The Foundation is comprised of a diverse group of Healthcare Georgia Foundation partners and grantees from various regions across the state. According to Gary D. Nelson, Ph.D., the President and Founder of the Healthcare Georgia Foundation, “Through the dedication and tireless efforts of these heroes for health, Georgians today and tomorrow will benefit greatly from their legacy of servant leadership.”

The 2016 Joseph D. Greene Community Service Award will be presented to Seagraves on March 29 during the Connections 2016: Building a Healthier Georgia Through Community Partnerships ceremony at the InterContinental Buckhead Atlanta.

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