



2021 Idaho WWAMI Excellence in Teaching

Award Recipient
Dr. Jeffery Reese

Dr. Reese is without a doubt one of the finest providers I worked with during my third year clerkships. As a very fresh MS3 coming off of my internal medicine rotation, I was very nervous not only about trying my hand at a procedural specialty but also the patient population of obstetrics. Dr. Reese's young and exuberant energy was infectious and made each day a true gift. I woke up energized and excited to come to the hospital. His connection with patients is unmatched and it is clear to see they not only trust him but were nearly as enthusiastic as I was to come to their appointments. Dr. Reese's calm and laidback demeanor was a breath of fresh air after the much more rigid structure of internal medicine and for the first time I could see what medicine was really like out in the real world. This kind of experience made me excited for whatever my future career may hold.

In sticking to the WWAMI tradition of a hands-on experience, I admired Dr. Reese's principles of student involvement. He took special care to take on only one student at a time and invested all of his energy in a positive way to my experience. He was calm and deliberate in his teaching and I walked away from this rotation feeling very prepared for not only my surgical rotation but for the remainder of my year as a whole. Dr. Reese instilled me with the confidence, skills, and knowledge that has proven to be absolutely foundational to my success as a maturing provider. I truly have never had so much fun on a rotation as I did with Dr. Reese. WWAMI is fortunate to have him as a preceptor as this OBGYN experience is unrivaled across the region I have no doubt. It is because of providers like Dr. Reese that UW continues to be a world-renowned institution and in a state where we are at such a provider deficit, he is elevating the profession.

Gus Koch, MS3