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Doctor Earns Top Prize in Federal Healthcare

BETHESDA, Md. – A faculty member at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) recently received the 2006 Frank Brown Berry Prize in Federal Healthcare.

Retired Army Col. Norman M. Rich, M.D., F.A.C.S., D.M.C.C., deputy chairman of the Department of Surgery, developed the Vietnam Vascular Registry during the Vietnam War. His thorough documentation of each of his cases throughout his medical career has allowed him and other military surgeons to study the results of battlefield trauma. His documented cases led to advancements in caring for troops during Desert Storm and the War in Iraq.

The award recognizes outstanding contributions to healthcare from the federal sector, and is open to federal health professionals from all fields. It is sponsored by *U.S. Medicine* and Dental Plan of California. Award winners received recognition in the August issue of *U.S. Medicine*, a certificate of award, and a check for \$10,000.

Dr. Rich graduated from Stanford University in 1960 with a medical degree and completed surgical training at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco in 1965.

Established by the U.S. Congress in 1972, the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences www.usuhs.mil is located on the campus of the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., and is the nation's only federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing.