

Richard F. Klug, M.D. Honored with COPIC's 2009 Williamson Volunteer Award

Richard F. Klug, M.D., a family medicine physician associated with McCook Clinic, received COPIC's Harold E. Williamson Award for Nebraska on October 2 at an honors luncheon during the Nebraska Medical Association's annual meeting. The Harold E. Williamson award honors a physician for volunteer medical services and contributions to the community. The award includes a \$10,000 grant to be designated to the nonprofit organization of his choice; he chose the McCook Community Foundation, earmarking the grant for emergency medical services.

Dr. Klug has been instrumental in ensuring that the residents of southwest Nebraska have continued access to quality healthcare for more than 20 years.

His many accomplishments include serving for more than 20 years as the physician medical director for many of the area ambulance services. Dr. Klug has served as the physician medical director for the McCook Fire Department since 1987. He was instrumental in bringing advanced life support (ALS) to southwest Nebraska and to the McCook Fire Department in 1990.

In addition to his family medicine practice at McCook Clinic, Dr. Klug



Dr. Richard Klug accepts the Harold E. Williamson Award at the Nebraska Medical Association's 2009 annual meeting. The award was presented by Gerry Lewis-Jenkins, Executive Vice President of COPIC.

also serves as Medical Director for Eldorado Nursing Home in Trenton, Nebraska. He has been a faculty physician for the University of Nebraska College of Medicine and the Lincoln Family Medicine Program. In 2004, Dr. Klug also assumed the medical directorship of the People's Family Health Services which provides patient care services related to family planning for individuals needing financial assistance. He is Medical Director of the Trenton Medical Clinic and has also served as a hospice director for Community Hospital in McCook since 2000.

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