

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a letter of recommendation for Dr. Stuart Robertshaw, who is President and CEO of the National Association for the Humor Impaired. I invited Dr. Robertshaw to speak at our hospital Medical Staff Grand Rounds on the topic of Prevention of Humor Impairment. This is a fully accredited series of Grand Round lectures, which qualify for CME credits. Dr. Robertshaw's presentation addressed the great usefulness of humor and good nature in the practice of medicine. Medicine is not only a field dealing with pathophysiology and disease processes, but is also a sociologic one that is greatly dependent upon interaction between patient and physician. Humor contributes to a positive and healthy working attitude and only serves to improve the physician-patient relationship. Dr. Robertshaw's presentation was very warmly received by the audience and comments included "This made my day" and "Terrific – have him back every year". His talk not only covered the role of humor in the physician-patient relationship, but also had the audience in "the palm of his hand". He illustrated his points with very colorful anecdotes and stories and by the end of the talk the entire audience was laughing with a noticeable elevation of mood from the moment he started his presentation. I certainly would have him back again. It was one of the highlights of our fall CME lecture sequence.

Sincerely yours,



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