

Dr. Nash Receives the Joseph Wharton Award for Social Impact



Dr. Mehmet Oz with Dr. Nash at the Joseph Wharton Award Ceremony

Photo by: Natural Expressions NY

In what he described as the “culmination of my Wharton journey,” David B. Nash, MD, MBA, Dean of the Jefferson School of Population Health, received the 2012 Joseph Wharton Social Impact Award in a ceremony at the Essex House hotel in New York City on October 4.

The award was presented by Dr. Mehmet Oz, last year’s honoree and a former Wharton classmate. “I’m very grateful to receive this award,” Dr. Nash told the crowd. “The (Wharton) Health Care Management Program enabled me to

view our industry through a new lens. It put me on the path toward becoming a physician leader.”

In nominating Dr. Nash, the Wharton School said, “As one of the leading Wharton alumni in the world, you have demonstrated leadership not only as Founding Dean of the Jefferson School of Population Health, but your dedication to medical education and healthcare have helped shape an industry. Your experiences represent the founding spirit of the Wharton School and set a standard for future leaders.”

James David Power III, WG’59, Founder, J.D. Power and Associates, served as the 2012 Honorary Chair of the Awards ceremony, and CNBC’s Bill Griffeth served as emcee.

“Wharton remains a very special place for me,” Dr. Nash said. “Nearly every day I try to use some of the skills I spoke of. This award energizes my continued journey as a physician leader.” ■