



ICO President Dr. Arol Augsburger, was honored to receive the James A. Boucher Award of Excellence at the National Academies of Practice Annual Meeting and Forum in Philadelphia on March 18. Dr. Augsburger has been part of the optometry profession for 50 years. He has been a driving force in expanding the role of Doctors of Optometry through fundamentally changing optometric education. He has been a catalyst for expanding the scope of optometry practice in three states, and building recognition for optometry in federal programs such as Medicare, Veterans Affairs, the National Eye Institute, and the Health Resources and Services Administration.

“I was humbled and proud to be recognized with a NAPO award named in honor of the distinguished Dr. James A. Boucher,” said Dr. Augsburger.

This award is given to a NAP Optometry Academy member who has demonstrated exemplary contributions to the profession of optometry and healthcare field and has upheld NAP’s mission to advance science and interdisciplinary healthcare.