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PHYSICIAN WHO STUDIED NAZI DOCTORS JOINS JEWISH FOUNDATION FOR THE RIGHTEOUS BOARD

NEW YORK – The Jewish Foundation for the Righteous (JFR) has announced that NYU Langone Health physician, Steven Field, MD, has joined its board of directors. In his new role, Field will help the organization to achieve its goal of rewarding righteous rescuers during their lifetimes with financial stipends and educating future generations on their heroism during the war as well as on the history of Holocaust. He will sit on the board’s education committee.

Field, a clinical assistant professor at the New York University School of Medicine, has studied the role of the German medical profession during the Third Reich and the medical experimentation done by the Nazis during the Second World War, and began lecturing on the topic in 2016. During 2017, Field lectured at the JFR’s Summer Institute for Holocaust Educators and the organization’s Advanced Seminar for Holocaust Educators on the topic of “Medicine in the Third Reich,” which delved into the subject beyond the widely known sadistic experimentation of physicians like Dr. Josef Mengele. Both the Summer Institute and the Advanced Seminar are geared towards giving middle and high school teachers from the United States and Europe graduate level courses on the Holocaust and pedagogical connections in order to bring the history into their classrooms in a meaningful and safe manner for students.

Field grew up in Union, NJ and received his bachelor’s degree in History at Yale University before going on to graduate from New York University’s School of Medicine. He currently resides in Manhattan.

“Steven has shown himself as a dedicated educator not only of this generation’s medical professionals, but through his in-depth study and lectures on the sadistic medical experimentation of the Nazis, as a valuable educational resource on the Holocaust,” said JFR Executive Vice President Stanlee Stahl. “We are very pleased to have him join our board.”

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Field joins 11 board members including Harvey Schulweis, chairman; Roman Kent, president; Mark A. Goldsmith, Esq., secretary and treasurer; Stanlee Stahl, executive vice president and trustees Abby Crisses, Debórah Dwork, Iris Katz, Leonard Littman, Jason Schulweis, Hazel Shanken, and Hannah Waldman.

The JFR continues its work of providing monthly financial assistance to some 350 aged and needy Righteous Gentiles, living in 20 countries. Since its founding, the JFR has provided more than \$39 million to aged and needy rescuers – helping to repay a debt of gratitude on behalf of the Jewish people to these noble men and women. Its Holocaust teacher education program has become a standard for teaching the history of the Holocaust and educating teachers and students about the significance of the Righteous as moral and ethical exemplars.