Outstanding Match Day for both of our residency programs and for the WSU SOM: record number of students selecting Family Medicine as their career choice!

**Mission Statement**

We are committed to improving the health, well-being, and environment of individuals, families, and communities by advancing the science and practice of family medicine and public health through innovation and excellence in research and education.

**Important Dates**

- March 20—Match Day
- March 31—SOM Annual Review information due to OFA
- April 15—Medical Student Recognition Program
- May 7—DFMPHS Annual Preceptor Dinner
- May 18—SOM Commencement
- May 21—Michigan Family Medicine Research Day

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**Bridges To Equity (B2E) offers ‘Update on Public Health & Emergency Preparedness’ Program**

Physician faculty from southeast Michigan, especially those in Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Ob/Gyn, and Pediatrics; public health professionals and community members; medical and public health students; and all other interested WSU faculty members are invited to attend the B2E public health program.

The program is scheduled to take place on Friday, May 1, 2015 from 12:00—5:00 PM in the Wayne State University School of Medicine in the Green Lecture Hall. It is free to attendees, and includes lunch. The goal is to provide health skills training to participants while allowing for the exchange of information between public health, clinical practitioners and students.

For more information about the event or for registration information, please contact Lisa Blackwell at lblackwe@med.wayne.edu

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**MI-AHEC Hosts Its 1st Annual Friends of MI-AHEC Dinner**

Mark your calendars! MI-AHEC is hosting its First Annual Dinner celebration and fundraiser on June 5, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Wharton Center in East Lansing. This elegant evening of celebration will provide a valuable opportunity to network with leaders in health care and education from across the state. It will also be the kickoff for the “Friends of MI-AHEC” campaign.

MI-AHEC is a joint collaboration between the School of Medicine and the College of Nursing that was established in 2010 through a competitive application to the Health Research and Service Administration. The Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences is its ‘host’ department.

The mission of MI-AHEC is to help address the workforce shortage of health care professionals in Michigan. MI-AHEC works towards this mission via: 1) pipeline programming to support students’ interest and preparation for health professional careers; 2) support of community based training efforts; and 3) targeted efforts to recruit and retain health professionals in Michigan especially in medically underserved communities.

For more information, call Rachel Huber at (313) 577-0437 or e-mail rhuber@med.wayne.edu
The 7th International Conference on Health Issues in Arab Communities was recently held in Muscat, The Sultanate of Oman, in the Middle East. This is the first time the conference was held in the Middle East. It was attended by several hundred researchers, practitioners, and policy makers, including NIH, the World Bank, and WHO. Over 45 universities from all over the globe were represented. The conference was organized by ACCESS, a close partner of DFMPHS’s outreach research endeavor.

Dr. Adnan Hammad, ACCESS’ Senior Consultant Global Health and Research Initiative chaired the conference, and the Co-Chair was Yahya Al Azri, Senior Consultant Hepatobiliary & Transplant Surgeon, Royal Hospital, Ministry of Health, Muscat, the Sultanate of Oman. Dr. Basim Dubaybo, Interim Chair, WSUSOM, Department of Internal Medicine, was Chair of the Scientific Committee, of which Dr. Bengt B. Arnetz, DFMPHS, was also a member.

The Director of the NIH’s Fogarty International program, Dr. Roger Glass, also attended and offered valuable input as to how the U.S. and Middle East research and educational endeavors could be further strengthened.

The overall goal of the conference was to enhance the understanding of cultural and social factors that influence relevant health behaviors and physical and mental health conditions in Arab populations. Main themes of the conference were: Capacity building for public health research and health improvement; Social Determinants of Health; Occupational Health, Trauma and Environmental Hazards; Mental Health and Chronic Disease; Ethics and Palliative Care; and Organ Transplant.

The region is undergoing a very rapid transformation at the same time as many of the countries are engrossed in long-standing and very destructive conflicts. A common theme was the need for more reliable data and an intensified focus to address non-communicable chronic diseases, including diabetes and cardiovascular disease. A large part of the conference was also dedicated to how to build human resources and institutional resources to address the current and future health and public health challenges facing the region. Within the region, there are huge disparities in public health and socio-economic challenges.

Apart from an excellent conference, there were opportunities to meet old and new colleagues and scope new collaboration. The organizers had put together an outstanding social program, including dinner cruising and a visit to the elegant opera, listening to the Royal Oman Symphony Orchestra, and Marcel Khalife singing classical songs.

For more information about the conference, please contact barnetz@med.wayne.edu.
Dr. Jinping Xu Secures BCBSM Foundation Grant For Online Education Module

Dr. Xu has secured a two-year $100,000 grant from the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan (BCBSM) Foundation for the development, promotion and maintenance of a statewide online education module for primary care providers on care guidelines for prostate cancer survivors.

Dr. Xu is collaborating on the project with the School of Medicine Assistant Dean of Continuing Medical Education (CME) David Pieper, PhD and WSU College of Education Associate professor of Instructional Technology, Monica Tracey, PhD.

The plan is to have the online CME module accessible from anywhere in the world and to serve as an innovative example for developing and delivering other online CME courses to improve health care quality for all individuals.

The one-hour module will be based on the Michigan Cancer Consortium’s recommendations for prostate cancer survivorship care, which Dr. Xu helped write. She will also evaluate the module using evidence-based methodology.

Dr. Xu has a strong interest in the continuum of prostate cancer care, from screening, treatment decision-making and quality of life, to survivorship care.

“Prostate cancer survivors approach 2.8 million in number and represent one in five of all cancer survivors in the United States,” says Dr. Xu, “Primary care providers are integral to the care of men with prostate cancer, yet few primary care physicians feel comfortable managing prostate cancer treatment side effects.”

For more information, please contact Dr. Xu at jxu@med.wayne.edu

Rochester Family Medicine Residency Program Hosts Its Annual Wellness Night Event

At the end of this year’s interview season, the WSU/Crittenton Family Medicine and Transitional Year Residency Programs gathered for their annual Wellness Night. In February, a group of over 70 guests including faculty, residents, staff and several interviewed candidates gathered together at Main Street Billiard’s in Downtown Rochester. This yearly event is always a success and a great opportunity for candidates to talk with the WSU residency team in a more relaxed atmosphere. In addition, everyone enjoyed light snacks, playing pool and darts while in a fun environment.

Special thanks to Rose Moschelli and Lynette Rang for planning and organizing the event.

Public Health student’s policy statement approved by National Association

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) recently approved a policy statement written by master of public health degree student, Samantha Iovan. The policy calls for an increased focus on improved recreational water safety. The Policy released in March by NACCHO and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, includes recommendations for improvements in regulatory oversight, water testing, funding, training, community education between partners, as well as comprehensive justification for the recommendations.

Congratulations, Samantha!

Article excerpted from WSU School of Medicine Prognosis E-News dated March 18, 2015.
Members of the Family Medicine Interest Group were honored to have the opportunity to welcome back Dr. Bruce Kresge to WSU School of Medicine for a luncheon and presentation.

Dr. Kresge is a retired family physician and Wayne State University School of Medicine alumni who practiced in the Detroit area for many years. Dr. Kresge remains very passionate about family medicine and took the time to share his historical knowledge, his perspective on the specialty and where he sees it going for the next generation of family medicine physicians.

More than 30 students had the chance to learn from Dr. Kresge and engage with him in an answer and question session following his talk. Special thanks to Dr. Chadwell, Year III Family Medicine Clerkship Director; Lisa Blackwell, Program Project Assistant; and FMIG Leaders Lisa Daum and Samantha Kaufman for organizing such a worthwhile event. Also, recognition goes to Patty Paquin, from WSU SOM’s Development and Alumni Affairs office, for reaching out to Dr. Kresge as a source of inspiration to our students who have selected family medicine as their career choice.

Pictured left to right: Lisa Daum, Dr. Bruce Kresge, Samantha Kaufman, Dr. Margit Chadwell

Attendees thank Dr. Kresge

DFMPHS MPH Degree Program Celebrates 100 Years!!!

2015 is the year of an important milestone in the DFMPHS. It is the 100th anniversary year of the MPH being awarded in the WSU School of Medicine.

In 1915, Dr. Guy Kiefer, son of Dr. Herman Kiefer, was the chair of Preventive Medicine and was instrumental in initiating a fifth year specialization for medical graduates interested in public health. This specialization culminated in the award of the MPH degree for physicians pursuing occupations as Health Officers in local public health units.

Detroit College of Medicine & Surgery (as WSU SOM was known then) graduation records from the years 1915 & 1916, named one physician in each year who was awarded the Master of Public Health degree.

We have had 5 MD/MPH students in the program. Two have graduated and three continue. Two MD/MPH students have been admitted thus far for the upcoming academic year and others are in the process.

The MPH Program enrollment for the current academic year (2014) is 28 MPH and 21 Graduate Certificate students. The Bridges To Equity grant, secured by Dr. Binienda, is working to increase public health content in the SOM curriculum and continuing education for primary care clinicians. With enrollment steadily increasing, the department is sure to continue the success of the program for the next 100 years!

For more information about the MPH Program please send an email to mphprogram@med.wayne.edu
Dr. Maribeth Mateo, Assistant Professor has rejoined the department and will serve as Vice Chair of Clinical Affairs and acting Medical Director for the Rochester Family Medicine Center. Dr. Mateo has been the Director of Practice Initiatives in WSUPG’s Quality Management and Patient Safety Division. She is passionate about the practice transformation of the primary care practice into designated Patient-Centered Medical Homes (PCMH) and the formal integration of the groups’ specialty practices into the PCMH-Neighborhood. In addition to her new roles in DFMPHS, Dr. Mateo will still direct the quality initiatives of WSUPG and fulfill her obligations on many various committees, boards and within other professional organizations.

Dr. Mateo has a BA in Economics from the University of Michigan and is a Wayne State University Medical School graduate. She completed her residency training at Mount Sinai School of Medicine Family Practice Residency Program at Jamaica Hospital Medical Center in Jamaica, NY. She is Board Certified with primary interests in patient-centered medicine, adolescent health and medical education.

One of the most memorable moments of her career happened in the aftermath of September 11, 2001, when she served at ground zero to provide volunteer medical assistance for emergency search and rescue efforts.

Dr. Mateo grew up in a medical family where she developed a true passion for helping others. She finds connecting with her patients most rewarding. Dr. Mateo’s philosophy for care has always been to practice patient-centered medicine. She believes in allowing the patient to lead the decision-making process, while helping patients create an action plan to achieve their healthcare goals.

“I am honored to return to the DFMPHS in a role where I can have an impact across the entire department by helping improve and streamline clinical operations with a truly patient-centered approach,” says Dr. Mateo. “I am thrilled to rejoin my colleagues as a faculty member and provide formal education about PCMH and practice transformation to all members of the department.”

We are extremely pleased to welcome Dr. Mateo back to the family!

Dr. Zaheer is a clinical educator in the WSU / Crittenton Family Medicine Residency Program in Rochester. Dr. Zaheer will be seeing patients primarily at the new Family Medicine Troy location, and will also be involved at the Rochester site, seeing patients, or precepting and teaching residents.

“I completed my residency training at Wayne State University School of Medicine. I am enthusiastic about providing high quality preventive care to patients of all ages,” says Dr. Zaheer. “My areas of interests are women’s health, geriatrics, urgent care, management of chronic conditions and international medicine. In addition, I also have interest in improving health care systems through quality improvement projects. I am passionate about giving back to the community through community outreach.”

Dr. Zaheer has two little daughters “who are so much fun, and a very supportive husband.” Her hobby is event planning.

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Zaheer back to Wayne State and to our family.
### The Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences Welcomes Its Newest Residents

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WSU SOM is proud of the Class of 2015 for excellent match outcomes as shown below in the statistics provided by Lisa MacLean, M.D, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs and Career Development.

The DFMPHS is pleased to report 30 students selected Family Medicine as their specialty. These students will represent Wayne State University School of Medicine in residency programs across the United States and Canada (12 will practice in Michigan). In addition, 4 post-grad students also matched into Family Medicine that were strongly supported by our department.

Beaumont Health System—Michigan
Christ Community Health Services—Tennessee
Christ Hospital—Ohio
Central Michigan University COM—Michigan
Emory University SOM—Georgia
Grand Rapids Med Ed Partners—Michigan (2)

Loyola University Medical Center—Illinois
Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education—Florida
Oakwood Hospital—Michigan (2)
Ohio State University—Ohio
Providence Hospital—Michigan
Providence Hospital DC—Washington DC
Rapid City Regional Hospital—South Dakota
Resurrection Medical Center—Illinois
U South Florida COM, Tampa—Florida
U Wisconsin SOM and Public Health—Wisconsin (2)
UCLA Medical Center, Harbor—California
University of British Columbia—Vancouver, BC
University of Toronto—Ontario
VCU, Fairfax—Virginia
Washington Hospital—Pennsylvania
Wayne State University/DMC—Michigan (2)
Wayne State University SOM—Michigan (3)
White Memorial Medical Center, LA—California