

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE & PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES (DFMPHS)



Tweet from Chair,
Tsveti Markova, MD, FAAFP



Congrats on numerous DFMPHS faculty receiving awards and promotions! Well deserved!



Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences

Vision, Mission, Values

The Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences will promote health equity and well-being of individuals, families, and communities. We improve health and well-being by advancing the science and practice of Family Medicine and Public Health through innovation, interdisciplinary collaboration, and excellence in partnership with our communities. We embrace our core values of Excellence, Collaboration, Innovation, Integrity, Diversity & Inclusion, and Social Justice.



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DFMPHS FACULTY RECOGNIZED AT ANNUAL RECEPTION

Six DFMPHS faculty members received awards or promotion recognition at the School of Medicine's Annual Promotion & Tenure Reception on October 2, 2019.

Dr. Kimberly Campbell-Voytal was recognized for her promotion to Associate Professor, clinician educator. She is known as a superb educator and mentor in both the MPH and undergraduate public health programs. She is the MPH program director and co-

director of the new and rapidly growing Bachelor of Science in Public Health program (over 500 majors). She is very involved in all service levels of Wayne State University, School of Medicine and Department.

Dr. James Meza joined DFMPHS as an affiliate faculty member in 2003. He was recognized for his promotion to Associate Professor, clinician educator. Dr. Meza is known as

an excellent educator who has long received outstanding reviews by students and peers alike. He precepts students in the continuity and family medicine clerkships. He has been involved in development of new curricula, most recently collaborating on the creation of a lecture series to meet the accreditation needs of the medical school programs.

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Pictured L to R: **Samson Jamesdaniel, MD, PhD**/College Teaching Award; James Rowley, MD Professor in Internal Medicine and President of Executive Committee; **Deborah Ellis, PhD** / College Teaching and Research Excellence-Clinical Scientists Awards; **Elizabeth Towner, PhD** / College Teaching Award; department chair **Tsveti Markova, MD, FAAFP**; **April Carcone, PhD** / College Teaching Award; **Kimberly Campbell-Voytal, PhD** / promotion to Associate Professor-Clinician Educator; **James Meza, MD, MSA, PhD** / promotion to Associate Professor-Clinician Educator FTA; and Dean Jack Sobel.

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Dr. Samson Jamesdaniel's College Teaching Award recognized his role as course director for FPH 7420 & PH 4300 "Principles of Environmental Health" as well as lecturing in the toxicology program. He played a central role in modifying/ updating the curriculum to meet the new requirements of the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH) and to align with the University's focus on urban health. He also served as the primary adviser for a third year pharmacology graduate student and is the faculty adviser for an undergraduate student's Honors thesis. Both students succeeded in publishing their research and were coauthors in two peer-reviewed articles published in 2019.

Dr. Deborah Ellis' receipt of the College Teaching Award was reflective of her developing and teaching a new classroom-based version of the department's MPH capstone course while continuing to be involved with the mentoring of a variety of WSU learners at both the undergraduate and graduate level. Her receipt of the Research Excellence Award was reflective of a continued program of scholarship to develop and test be-

havioral interventions to improve health outcomes among minority children and families with chronic health conditions, which includes two current NIH-funded R01s.

Dr. Elizabeth Towner served in a variety of teaching roles during the 2018-2019 academic year earning her a College Teaching Award. Within the MPH program, she developed and taught a new course entitled 'Public Health Community Level Intervention Science'. She mentored master's level and undergraduate Public Health student volunteers on research specific to health equity and obesity during the pre-school years. One of her undergraduate students won an award for best poster at the DFMPHS Research Day. Dr. Towner continued in her role of leading scholarship efforts for the Family Medicine and Transitional Year residency programs where her primary role is mentoring residents and clinical faculty in designing, implementing, and disseminating quality improvement initiatives. She also initiated efforts to revise the structure of the monthly journal club to increase

engagement and better match the millennial learning style of current residents.

In addition to teaching FPS 7230, Health Program Evaluation, for the past three fall semesters, each semester, **Dr. April Carcone** hosts 3-5 student research volunteers from across the University in her research laboratory. These students not only gain valuable research experience, but several have achieved significant accomplishments, including three students with first author publications, three students with contributing authorship on publications, multiple student presentations at local and national professional meetings, including the department's very own annual research day. Dr. Carcone has also mentored students from the ReBUILDetroit Program and the Biomedical Career Advancement Program.

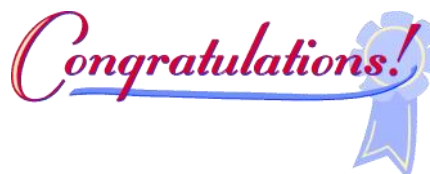
Congratulations to all for being recognized for your impressive achievements!

FAMILY MEDICINE VOLUNTARY FACULTY RECOGNIZED IN *HOURLY DETROIT* '2019 TOP DOCS LIST'

Our congratulations go to the following family medicine doctors, who serve as voluntary faculty for our students, on their recognition as 'TOP DOCS -2019' in *Hourly Detroit Magazine*. Top Doctors are nominated exclusively by MDs and DOs in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, and Livingston counties.

Fried, Steven T., M.D. // Henry Ford Health System (HFHS)
Norwood, Earlexia M., M.D. // HFHS
Passerman, Daniel S., D.O. // HFHS

Reynolds-Gibbs, Jenese, M.D. // Ascension Michigan
Shreve, Maria E., M.D. // HFHS



<https://www.hourdetroit.com/detroit-bests/top-docs-list-2019/>

DRS. RALPH WILLIAMS AND NEHMAN LAUDER RECEIVE AWARDS BASED ON STUDENT EVALUATION SCORES

During DFMPHS's September 18 faculty meeting, **Dr. Jira Coumarbatch**, Assistant Professor and Family Medicine Clerkship Director presented WSU SOM Excellence in Clinical Teaching Awards to **Dr. Ralph Williams** and **Dr. Nehman Lauder**. The awards recognize faculty for their excellent teaching in the Family Medicine year 3 clerkship. Faculty are ranked based on their evaluation scores from students. Top rated eval-

uators are given the Award.

In addition, Dr. Coumarbatch recognized **Lisa Blackwell**, our Family Medicine Clerkship/FM Sub-Internship/ Internship/FM Electives/CCC Coordinator for her contributions. Dr. Coumarbatch notes, "Lisa is instrumental in the daily logistics of arranging and keeping track of over 300 students that enroll in the Family Medicine year 3 and 4 courses annually. Her extensive experience and genuine love for our students is exemplified by our high ratings.

Congratulations to Drs. Lauder, Williams and Ms. Lisa Blackwell.



L to R: Dr. Jira Coumarbatch and Dr. Ralph Williams



L to R: Dr. Coumarbatch, Lisa Blackwell, and Dr. Tsveti Markova



L to R: Dr. Coumarbatch, Lisa Blackwell, and Dr. Nehman Lauder



DIVISION OF POPULATION HEALTH CORNER

The Division of Population Health within the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences would like to share recent accomplishments.

Community Engaged Learning in the Master of Public Health Program

The MPH students in **Dr. Campbell-Voytal's Social Basis of Health** course learn through active, integrated, and cross-disciplinary field assignments in environmental justice and health equity organizations. This semester a multidisciplinary group of MPH students is working with *SAY Detroit Family Health Clinic* to identify barriers to primary care access, social support and food security in Highland Park. In 2008, SAY Detroit estab-

lished the clinic in partnership with the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries as the nation's first free medical clinic devoted to homeless children and their mothers. The MPH students are working under the auspices of Dr. Richard Keidan, a Beaumont physician who coordinates clinical volunteers and resources at the clinic. Students coordinate activities with two other SAY partners, *Buckets of Rain*, a community garden project and *The Avalon Village*, a sustainable ecovillage created by Mama Shu, to transform a blighted neighborhood into a safe, functional, family-oriented space. A community survey is underway to determine neighborhood perspectives on healthcare access. Below is a photo of volunteers at a recent Fall Festival sponsored by Avalon Village. This community-academic partnership exemplifies the critical

principles of collaboration and co-learning. The multidisciplinary nature of public health brings students with basic, clinical, and social science expertise into practice with community-led initiatives to eliminate health disparity.

Dr. Kimberly Campbell-Voytal, Program Director and course instructor states, "I knew that our efforts to establish authentic, practical and relevant relationships was on target when one student observed, 'It is our job to listen to the community, learn from the community, and find out what pieces to build on so we can start helping in an effective way.' This is WSU Public Health at its best."



Pictured L to R:
Kneeling: Aliaa Bahzad (WSU MPH), Grace Pottou (WSU BSPH), Fatema AlQallaf (WSU BS Biology)
Standing: Shamayim "Mama Shu" Harris (CEO, Avalon Village), Dr. & Mrs. Richard Keidan (MD, Beaumont), Kristen Delong (MSW, WSU MPH), Dr. Kimberly Campbell-Voytal (WSU faculty), Dr. Corey Medler (PharmD Fellow, WSU MPH), Adna Maiteh (BPharm, WSU MPH), Stacey "Hotwax" Hale (Coordinator, Sheometry), DJ Minx (Coordinator, Sheometry)

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Congratulations to DFMPHS, Research Assistant, Mercedes Price. Mercedes and her husband, Darius welcomed their second child, a daughter, Noelle Alexandria Kay on October 29, 2019. Birth stats: 6 lbs., 7 oz., 18 3/4 inches. Noelle joins the family with big brother Lennox (16 months old).



THE SECTION

Below are the most recent publications from our faculty and staff, whose names are bolded.

- **Idalski Carcone A**, Naar S, **MacDonell K**, Clark J. Provider Behaviors that Predict Motivational Statements in Adolescents and Young Adults with HIV: A Study of Clinical Communication Using the Motivational Interviewing Framework. *AIDS Care*. doi:10.1080/09540121.2019.1679709
- **Hikmet Jamil**, Thamer Hamdanm, Salman Rawaf, Elizabeth Dubois, Saba SS Yaso, Suhair Aljoboori, Sawsan A Jamil, Bengt Arnetz. (2019) Post Pregnancy Outcome Among Iraqi Soldiers & Civilians in Iraq and Gulf War 1991. *Arch Epidemiol* 4:1032. DOI: 10.29011/2577-2252.101032
- **Jamesdaniel S**, Elhage KG, Rosati R, **Ghosh S**, Arnetz B, **Blessman J**. Tinnitus and Self-Perceived Hearing Handicap in Firefighters: A Cross-Sectional Study. *Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health*. 2019, 16, 3958; doi:10.3390/ijerph16203958.
- Slaughter-Acey JC, Sneed D, Parker L, Keith VM, Lee NL, **Misra DP**. Skin Tone Matters: Racial Microaggressions and Delayed Prenatal Care. *Am J Prev Med*. 2019 Sep;57(3):321-329. doi: 10.1016/j.amepre.2019.04.014. Epub 2019 Jul 25.



Named a 'Top 5' most read articles on the journal's website after just 3 weeks!

Important Dates



Upcoming WSU Holiday Closures:

Thanksgiving—November 28 & 29
Christmas/New Year's—Dec 23, 2019
thru Jan 1, 2020
MLK Day—January 20, 2020

All-Faculty Meeting Dates:

February 19, 2020
April 15, 2020
June 17, 2020

Grant Announcements:

9 Proposals were submitted for external funding by the department in September-October

DFMPHS WELCOMES TWO NEW FACULTY TO ITS TEAM

Kristen M. Culbert, PhD, has joined the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences (DFMPHS) as an Assistant Professor on the Research Educator track.

Dr. Culbert joins Wayne State University from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology and is a licensed clinical psychologist. Dr. Culbert's major research interest includes eating disorders across the lifespan.



Dr. Culbert received her PhD in Clinical Psychology from Michigan State University. She fulfilled her predoctoral internship at The University of Chicago, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences, Eating and Weight Disorders Program. Following her internship, she was a Postdoctoral Fellow, NIMH T32 Trainee in Eating Disorder Research at the University of Chicago for two years. Then she completed Postdoctoral training at the Davis Foundation in Eating Disorder Research at Michigan State University.

Dr. Culbert's home department is Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences. She will participate in the development of programmatic initiatives in Behavioral Health, Diabetes and Obesity, Environmental Health Sciences, and Translational Neurosci-

ences as part of the broader IBio (Integrative Biosciences) initiative. She will teach in the Master of Public Health program and the Undergraduate Public Health program in addition to her participating in other departmental activities.

Dr. Culbert is located in IBio Room 3114. Her phone number is 313-577-9787.

Steven Korzeniewski, PhD, has joined the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences (DFMPHS) as an Associate Professor – Clinician Educator.

Dr. Korzeniewski comes to us from Wayne State University School of Medicine's Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology which he joined in August 2011 as an assistant professor - research track. He was promoted to associate professor in August 2017. Dr. Korzeniewski has been very active teaching WSU residents and fellows through presentations, lecture series and rounds within the WSU SOM, Perinatology Research Branch (PRB) and the Detroit Medical Center (DMC). His teaching focused on perinatal epidemiology and biostatistics topics that are integral to our department's research. Dr. Korzeniewski has been active in his scholarly services in study sections, review boards and editorial board member-



ships. He is currently a consultant with an ongoing NIH/NICHD research award. He received his PhD in Epidemiology from Michigan State University, College of Human Medicine, where he was a Pre-Doctoral Fellow in a NICHD supported T-32 Training Program in Perinatal Epidemiology.

Dr. Korzeniewski's home department is Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences, though he will participate in many epidemiology based initiatives in IBio, including overseeing the epidemiology section of the Biostatistical and Epidemiology Research (BERD) core, serving as the primary point person for multidisciplinary epidemiology based activity, and serving as lead PI and Co-I on epidemiology based grant submissions with an eye towards growing epidemiological capacity and establishing WSU as a national leader in addressing challenges and identifying potential solutions to improve urban health. This academic year he will teach the Applied Epidemiology course in the MPH program.

Dr. Korzeniewski is located in IBio Room 1116. His phone number is 313-577-1216.

DFMPHS ALSO WELCOMES....

- **Phillip Doss**, outreach rep (Dr. Outlaw)
- **Nailah Henry**, research assistant (Drs. Carcone and Ellis)
- **Kendall Jones**, outreach rep (Dr. Outlaw)
- **Zadel Jones-Lewis**, research temp (Dr. Outlaw)
- **Megan Shope**, research temp (Dr. Culbert)
- **Isabella Warmbrunn**, research assistant (Dr. Outlaw)





MICHIGAN AHEC ANNOUNCES NEW HOST PARTNER IN ITS UPPER PENINSULA REGIONAL CENTER

Michigan AHEC recently announced the selection of Upper Great Lakes Family Health Center (UGL) as its new host partner for its Upper Peninsula Regional Center. UGL is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) that operates 9 service delivery locations serving Houghton, Iron, Marquette, Menominee and Ontonagon Counties. "Upper Great Lakes Family Health Center has a history of and maintains an ongoing commitment to the education and training of healthcare professionals in the region," said **Donald Simila**, CEO of the UGL. "We are very pleased with the opportunity to work with Wayne State University as a host site for the Upper Peninsula Region of AHEC. Residents of the region will benefit from initiatives focused on practice transformation, mentorship of new providers and supporting the interest in health professions for our communities."

As a Federally Qualified Health Cen-

ter, they offer primary care, oral health care and behavioral health services, substance abuse counseling, enabling services, specialty care/services, education and comprehensive outreach to approximately 25,000 people per year.

Michigan AHEC is funded by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (Grant # U77HP26582) and Wayne State University.



For more news from MI-AHEC, Click on the logo above.



Photo Corner

Department of Frightful Monsters & Phantom Horror Sciences (DFMPS) faculty and staff from Woodward Gardens, IBio and AHEC (plus a special superhero guest, Annika Tiura) gathered for some dangerously delicious food and fun during a Halloween themed pot luck in Woodward Gardens on October 31.



Applause! Applause!



Congratulations to **Shawnita Sealy-Jefferson, PhD, MPH**. She has been elected by her peers to serve as Chair-Elect in the Epidemiology Section for the American Public Health Association (APHA).

Shawnita was a Post-Doc working with Dr. Dawn Misra. She is currently an assistant professor of epidemiology at Ohio State University interested in how neighborhood racism and inequality affect health.

APHA summarizes the benefits of member sections as: "Sections are the primary professional units of the APHA and conduct activities that promote the mission and fulfill the goals of APHA. Sections create a variety of opportunities for member involvement, making the APHA experience richer for those who choose to interact with their Sections. There are 32 Sections that represent major public health disciplines or public health programs. The sections allow members with shared interests to come together to develop scientific program content and policy papers in their areas of interest or fields of practice, and they provide for professional and social networking, career development and mentoring."

Congratulations Shawnita!

Learn more about APHA by clicking [here](#)

WSU SOM GRADUATE RECEIVES AAFP EMERGING LEADER BEST PROJECT AWARD

Tiffani Strickland, WSU SOM MD graduate (2019), received one of the American Academy of Family Physicians Emerging Leader Institute's best project awards during the Family Medicine Leads (FML) Emerging Leadership Institute's September 2019 meeting in Leawood, Kansas. Dr. Strickland was selected to participate in the year-long FML Emerging Leader Institute which focuses on ensuring the future of the Family Medicine specialty by increasing the number of Family Medicine leaders and providing training for that important role.

Participants receive the scholarship of \$1,000 to attend AAFP National Conference in Kansas City, Missouri and participate in the FML Emerging Leadership Institute held at the AAFP National Headquarters in Leawood, Kansas. The scholarship is intended to help reduce out-of-pocket expenses for participants. During the year, the participant is matched to an AAFP physician mentor who serves as a role model and provides monthly guidance and project support. They have the

opportunity to develop and complete a Leadership Project related to his/her field.

Dr. Strickland chose the project topic category: **Philanthropic & Mission-Driven**: Maximize your impact as a physician leader as you increase your income, gain professional respect, and choose among many organizational opportunities for involvement.

- Strategies for becoming a "change agent" in your community
- Your personal mission statement
- Leadership, competencies and skills "gap"
- Non-profits and your philanthropic goals
- Understanding non-profits

Her project "*Mental Health First Aid Training for Medical Students and its Impact on Homeless Individuals' Access to Mental Health Services*" was selected as one of the top 3 (of 10) best projects in the Philanthropic & Mission-Driven category.

Congratulations Tiffani!

THIS WILL BE THE FINAL
NEWSLETTER FOR 2019.
SEE YOU IN 2020!

Happy
HOLIDAYS