

WWAMI Faculty Newsletter

News and information from the University of Washington School of Medicine



A MESSAGE FROM DR. SUZANNE ALLEN

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UW SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



Hopefully most of you have had some well-earned time off over the summer, and are now fully engaged working with UW School of Medicine new and returning students!

A total of 270 first year students successfully participated in immersion and orientation events this year, and have received their stethoscopes and white coats at ceremonies around the region. It's such an exciting time for them as they start this journey that is like no other!

We welcomed back 270 students who are working on the final six months of their Foundations Phase training. Many of these students have attended four-week RUOP training (Rural Underserved Opportunities Program) over the summer months, and have a new or renewed appreciation for the healthcare needs of small communities. We look forward to seeing the results of the service projects that our students worked on during their RUOP experiences, at our annual Medical Student Poster Sessions held at each site in October or November. Our students from past years have shown such ingenuity and creativity in their projects and posters, it is a highlight for many of us each fall.

Additionally, we have approximately 460 students completing required and elective clinical clerkships throughout the five-state region, as they start new clerkships every four or six weeks.

This year we are also very focused on the upcoming site visit from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) March 4 – 7, 2018, with our materials being submitted by December 8, 2017. The LCME is the U.S. Department of Education-recognized accrediting body for programs leading to the M.D. degree in the U.S. The LCME is jointly sponsored by the Association for American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and the American Medical Association (AMA). Medical schools in the U.S. need to be reaccredited every eight years. We have been working very hard across all departments for many months to ensure their expectations are met, and to assure the UW School of Medicine receives full reaccreditation in 2018.

Needless to say, there is a LOT happening at UWSOM this fall, and we greatly appreciate the efforts of each and every one of you, and partnering with us to educate and mentor our medical students. Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads 'Suzanne M. Allen'.

Suzanne M. Allen, M.D., M.P.H.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

UW School of Medicine Policy on Supervision of Medical Students in Clinical Settings

Effective July 1, 2017, the UW School of Medicine Policy on Supervision of Medical Students in Clinical Settings provides important information for all UWSOM clinical teachers, including residents, and medical students in Seattle and throughout the WWAMI region. The policy addresses the supervision of medical students in clinical settings, including delegation of responsibility to students, qualifications and prerequisites of faculty working with students, expectations for giving feedback, and the responsibilities of the students in clinical settings. The policy is located on the [Academic Affairs Policies and Procedures web page](#), and will be distributed annually to faculty, residents and students in July.

UW School of Medicine Supports Shared Principles of Primary Care

Founded in 2006, the Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative (PCPCC) is a not-for-profit multi-stakeholder membership organization dedicated to advancing an effective and efficient health system built on a strong foundation of primary care and the patient-centered medical home. PCPCC is an advocacy organization; its mission is to unify and engage diverse stakeholders in promoting policies and sharing best practices that support growth of high-performing primary care and achieve the “Quadruple Aim”: better care, better health, lower costs, and greater joy for clinicians and staff in delivery of care. To this end, PCPCC has created the Shared Principles of Primary Care – seven important attributes of advanced primary care, designed to help move the U.S. toward a future of healthcare that is person-centered, team-based, and aligned with the community. By signing on to the Shared Principles, UWSOM commits to joining a group of diverse stakeholders to advance primary care through advocacy efforts. Read more about [PCPCC's Shared Principles of Primary Care](#).

Barb Doty, M.D., Named Assistant Clinical Dean for Alaska

Barbara Jean Doty, M.D., has been named assistant clinical dean for the UW School of Medicine (UWSOM) Alaska WWAMI program. Dr. Doty assumes the position vacated by Thomas Nighswander, M.D., who retired from UWSOM/Alaska WWAMI in July 2017. In her new role Dr. Doty engages with the medical communities and associations, higher education, and medical groups and associations, as well as students. She works closely with Jane Shelby, Ph.D., assistant foundations dean for Alaska WWAMI at the University of Alaska Anchorage, as well as UWSOM clerkship directors to oversee coordination of required and elective clinical clerkships throughout Alaska. Dr. Doty reports to Suzanne Allen, M.D., M.P.H., vice dean for academic, rural and regional affairs, UW School of Medicine. [Read more about Dr. Doty.](#)



Barb Doty, M.D.

Kiran Gill, M.D., and Adam Sanborn, M.D., Join UW School of Medicine Faculty in Spokane



Kiran Gill, M.D.

Dr. Kiran Gill received her medical degree from Kansas City University of Medicine, and an M.B.A. from Rockhurst University in Kansas City. After completing her residency in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics at the Ohio State University Medical Center and Nationwide Children's Hospital in 2010, she served a migrant population in Fresno, CA. Throughout her medical training Dr. Gill had a passion for teaching, and in 2015 she transitioned to resident level teaching with the Family Medicine Residency of Spokane. She is excited to be teaching for the UW School of Medicine-Gonzaga University Regional Health Partnership, and living in the Northwest where she is only minutes away from her favorite outdoor activities: snow skiing in the winter and wake surfing in the summer.



Adam Sanborn, M.D.

Dr. Adam Sanborn is a board-certified family medicine physician. He graduated from the Creighton School of Medicine in Omaha, Nebraska, in 2006, and completed residency training at the Naval Hospital Jacksonville Family Medicine Residency in Jacksonville, Florida in 2009. His medical interests include fertility, vasectomy, and minor procedures. Dr. Sanborn's personal philosophy of care is, "a good family physician is key to great medical care from cradle to grave." In his spare time Dr. Sanborn enjoys scuba, gardening, and playing the guitar.

Jordan P. Lewis, Ph.D., Named Incoming Director for the UAA National Resource Center for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Elders

Jordan P. Lewis, Ph.D., an Aleut from the native village of Naknek, has been named the incoming director of the University of Alaska Anchorage National Resource Center (NRC) for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Elders. Dr. Lewis is an Associate Professor with the University of Alaska Anchorage, and teaches in the UW School of Medicine's Alaska WWAMI program. Trained as a cross-cultural community psychologist and social worker (B.S.W., M.S.W., Ph.D.), and a credentialed professional gerontologist, he has worked with Alaska native elders for many years in numerous capacities, including federal policy in Washington, DC, state and local education and program development, and tribal health programs in rural and urban Alaska.

[Read more about Dr. Lewis.](#)



Jordan Lewis, Ph.D.



LeeAnna Muzquiz, M.D.

LeeAnna Muzquiz, M.D., Named UW School of Medicine Associate Dean for Admissions

LeeAnna Muzquiz, M.D., a board-certified family physician in Polson, Montana, will replace Carol Teitz, M.D., as Associate Dean for Admissions upon Dr. Teitz's retirement in July 2018. Until that time, Dr. Muzquiz will have the title Assistant Dean for Admissions, and will work closely with Dr. Teitz, learning the Admission's office processes and procedures. Additionally, she will join the admissions committee and the Executive Committee for Admissions (EXCOM) and will participate in admissions interviews.

[Read more about Dr. Muzquiz.](#)

George Washington University's Fitzhugh Mullan, M.D., Notes UW School of Medicine in JAMA Article on Social Mission in Health Professions Education

Education, research, and service are well-established missions of health professions schools and teaching hospitals in the United States. The role of social mission in these institutions is vitally important but less clear. Broadly defined, the social mission of a health professions school is the contribution of the school in its mission, programs, and the performance of its graduates, faculty, and leadership to enhancing health equity and to addressing the health disparities of the society in which it exists. School characteristics that are associated with commitment to social mission include community engagement, promotion of diversity, reduction in health disparities, the responsible use of health resources, and a focus on the social determinants of health. In his AMA article Dr. Mullan notes that many medical schools and their affiliated hospitals that rank highly for receiving NIH funding and rank highly in popularity (*U.S. News & World Report* rankings, for example) score in the bottom quartile of social mission rankings. However, he notes that UW is one of six schools with a social mission ranking in the top quartile that also ranks in the top quartile for NIH funding and ranks highly in popularity (*U.S. News & World Report* ranks UW School of Medicine No. 1 for primary care education, and No. 1 for family medicine and rural medicine training). [Read the entire JAMA article.](#)



Fitzhugh Mullan, M.D.

Help Our Students Travel (HOST)

Medical students often need accommodations, generally for one or two nights, while traveling to conferences and residency interviews, and for other medical school-related travel. If you live near a hospital or university and have room for a guest, consider hosting a UW School of Medicine student! Last year, alumni in 81 cities hosted students for 150 nights, saving students over \$20,000 in travel costs. Visit the UW Medicine Alumni Relation's HOST program [website](#) for more information.

CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP & INNOVATION IN MEDICAL EDUCATION (CLIME)

TeachingPhysician.org

TeachingPhysician.org connects medical schools and community preceptors. It delivers videos, tips, answers to frequently asked questions, and links to in-depth information on topics such as:

- Preparing a practice team for a learner
- Orienting a learner
- Precepting principles
- Teaching strategies
- What to teach
- Giving feedback
- Assessment and Evaluation
- EHRs and health informatics
- Learners in difficulty

The site helps preceptors do their jobs more effectively. It also helps medical schools and residency programs recruit, train, and retain community preceptors and meet accreditation requirements for faculty development. All UW School of Medicine faculty have access to TeachingPhysician.org. Send an email to clime@uw.edu to receive login information. (Co-sponsored by the UW Department of Family Medicine.)

CURRICULUM

UW School of Medicine's New Four-Year Course: Ecology of Health & Medicine

Ecology of Health and Medicine (EHM) is a new, four-year course, starting with the E17 class. This course develops a deep understanding of the ecology of medicine and the systems that constitute health care. Concepts which are fundamental to becoming a successful physician in the health care landscape of the future. The course is delivered during four weeks held between students' regular (block) courses for a total of eight weeks distributed across the four- year curriculum.

[Read more about EHM.](#)

EDUCATIONAL QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (EQI) & LIAISON COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL EDUCATION (LCME)

New Educational Quality Improvement & Strategic Planning Committee Needs Your Input

A new committee has been formed at the UW School of Medicine (UWSOM) to oversee the continuous improvement of educational quality, as well as ongoing strategic planning. Early in its deliberations the newly formed **Educational Quality Improvement and Strategic Planning Committee (EQISP)** realized that the most recent Strategic Plan for UWSOM (2016) has not been widely shared with faculty. EQISP's goal is not only to have all stakeholders be aware of the Strategic Plan, which guides the future direction of the medical school, but also to understand that it is a living document. As such, **EQISP is seeking your input to guide their next steps.** Specifically, from your perspective, what are meaningful outcomes from the Strategic Plan? Which areas do you identify as higher in priority? Are there any omissions? EQISP welcomes all faculty to work with the committee to continue refining and improving educational quality and the school's overarching plan. By regularly sharing your thoughts and feedback, you ensure our school's guiding documents remain relevant to you and the region. More information and links to the [Strategic Plan](#) and [Committee Profiles](#). Additionally, please [see this link to access the UWSOM Strategic Plan Stakeholder Feedback landing page.](#)

Nearing the End of the LCME Accreditation Self-Study

The UW School of Medicine is nearing the end of the 10-month long LCME (Liaison Committee on Medical Education) accreditation self-study period, which was launched with a kick-off event in September 2016. Since then more than 100 students, staff, faculty and leaders contributed to committee meetings, preparing and evaluating accreditation materials in 12 focal areas, and recommending areas of continuous quality improvement. The Independent Student Analysis report, the AAMC (Association of American Medical Colleges) graduation questionnaires, and internally administered surveys of students constituted the core sources of student voices. As a result of the comprehensive institutional self- study process, multiple areas of changes have been implemented including instituting new policies, clarifying procedures, strengthening communication strategies, and streamlining data collection and reporting. In the next three months, the school will be finalizing the accreditation materials for submission to the LCME in early December. The formal site visit will take place March 4 - 7, 2018.

PROFESSIONALISM

WWAMI Pro Recognition Awards

WWAMI Pro is a medical student-driven recognition program, created to empower students to honor professionalism in the UW School of Medicine community. UW medical students can recognize any individual who contributes to a positive, respectful, and supportive learning environment. The WWAMI Pro Awards program is administered by the **Committee for Continuous Professionalism Improvement (CPI)**.

The UW School of Medicine is committed to the promotion of professionalism throughout our community. To support this, CPI was created in 2007 by Paul Ramsey, M.D., Dean of the UW School of Medicine. CPI is charged with overseeing and promoting professionalism throughout the medical school and at all teaching sites.

Please join CPI in congratulating the **March and July 2017 honorees** from across the WWAMI region:

Amanda L Aman, Medical Student, Boise

Jonathan Buchholz, M.D., Psychiatrist, VA Puget Sound Health Care System, Seattle

Linda Burdette, PA-C, Gynecologist, Premier Women's Health, Yakima, WA

Marco Carone, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Biostatics, Seattle

Thomas Cherry, M.D., Family Medicine Physician, UW Neighborhood Clinic-Ravenna, Seattle

Basak Coruh, M.D., Assistant Professor, Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine, Seattle

Blair Davison, M.D., Psychiatrist, Providence Health & Services, Missoula, MT

Jamin Feng, M.D., Internal Medicine, Kittitas Valley Health Care, Ellensburg, WA

Zachary R. Gallaher, Ph.D., WWAMI Clinical Medical Education, Gonzaga University, Spokane

Susan Gallo, M.D., Billings Clinic, Miles City, MT

Sasha Gibson, Social Justice Outreach Coordinator, Unity Multicultural Education Center, Gonzaga University, Spokane

Harminder Gill, Medical Student, Seattle

Elena Hannon, M.D., Obstetrician-Gynecologist, Kaiser Permanente Capitol, Seattle

Bruce Herman, M.D., Family Medicine, Kittitas Valley Healthcare, Ellensburg, WA

Sam Hsieh, M.D., General Surgeon, Coulee Medical Center, Grand Coulee, WA

Christopher Ingraham, M.D., Assistant Professor, Radiology, Seattle

Harrison Kalodimos, M.D., Resident, Swedish Family Medicine Residency, Seattle

Elizabeth Kaplan, M.D., Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine, Seattle

Stephen Kaplan, M.D., M.P.H., Surgical Resident, Virginia Mason, Seattle

Elizabeth Kelsey, WWAMI Program Coordinator, Missoula, MT

Katie Lake, Project Coordinator, Neuroscience Institute, Virginia Mason, Seattle

Allison Lambert, M.D., UW School of Medicine, Gonzaga University, Spokane

Yuk Law, M.D., Professor, Cardiology, Seattle Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center, Seattle

Robin Lawrence, M.D., Neonatologist, Portneuf Medical Center, Pocatello, ID

Jon Lieberman, M.D., Surgeon, Denali Surgical Specialists, Fairbanks, AK

Kim Lynch, M.D., General Surgeon, Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Boise

Neeta Makhija, M.D., Obstetrician-Gynecologist, Kaiser Permanente Capitol, Seattle

Christine Marchoin, M.D., Family Medicine, Central Montana Medical Center, Lewiston, MT

John Merrill-Steskal, M.D., Family Medicine, Kittitas Valley Health Care, Ellensburg, WA

Barbara Moravec, A.R.N.P., Harborview Pediatrics, Seattle

Karen Nilsen, M.D., Pediatric Hospitalist, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital, Tacoma, WA

Annie Ngo, Medical Student, Seattle

Christina Pease, M.D., Pediatrician, SeaMar CHC, Seattle

Sierra Peña, M.D., Primary Care Physician, Swedish West Seattle, Seattle

Aaron Scott, M.D., UW School of Medicine, Spokane, WA

Vicki Short, M.D., FAAFP, Family Medicine Physician, Pullman Family Medicine, Pullman, WA
Anne Standerwick, M.D., Internal Medicine Physician, Southeast Medical Clinic, Juneau, AK
Chad Sukut, M.D., Dermatologist, Advanced Dermatology & Skin, Spokane Valley, WA
Krista Summers, M.D., Family Medicine, Kittitas Valley Health Care, Ellensburg, WA
Hasson Tehrani, M.D., Cardiothoracic & Vascular Surgeon, Rockwood Heart & Vascular Institute, Spokane
Hao Tong, Medical Student, Seattle
Andrew Warner, M.D., Obstetrician-Gynecologist, Kaiser Permanente Capitol, Seattle
Charles Webb, M.D., The Allergy Group, Boise
Beth Weitensteiner, M.D., ICHS Holly Park, Seattle
Ellen M. Wijsman, Ph.D., Professor, Biostatistics, Seattle

WWAMI Pro Recognitions are announced quarterly. For more information about the honorees, please visit the [WWAMI Pro Recognition Program webpage](#). Current medical students can submit nominations online [here](#). To learn more about CPI, please visit their [website](#).

RECOGNITIONS



Brice Addison, M.D.

Brice Addison, M.D., Selected to UW Chapter of Gold Humanism Honor Society

This past March, **Dr. Brice Addison from Great Falls, Montana**, was elected to membership in the **UW chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society (UWGHHS)**. Dr. Addison was nominated by the third- and fourth-year UW School of Medicine student body for his commitment to humanism in medicine. His subsequent selection was made by the student members of the UWGHHS chapter. Congratulations Dr. Addison!

Laura Bennett, M.D., Named Physician of the Year by the Montana Academy of Family Physicians

TRUST physician, **Dr. Laura Bennett of Lewistown, Montana** was named **Montana Physician of the Year** by the Montana Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) at its Primary Care Conference in Chico, Montana. This annual award goes to physicians who exemplify a compassionate commitment to improving the health and wellbeing of people and communities throughout Montana. Recipients exemplify the ideals of family medicine, which include providing comprehensive, compassionate services on a continuing basis to the community and possessing personal qualities that make her a role model to professional colleagues. Congratulations Dr. Bennett!



Laura Bennett, M.D.

Montana WWAMI Grad Earns Dr. George Saari Professionalism Award

Dan Cornish, M.D., a 2017 graduate of the UW School of Medicine, received the **Dr. George Saari Professionalism Award**, given to a Montana WWAMI student who has demonstrated exceptional professionalism and humanitarian characteristics. Dan, who was nominated by his fellow students; was a TRUST student in Dillon, Montana and worked on establishing a Palliative Care elective and an Advanced Care Directive Program there, in addition to numerous outreach activities. He is currently a resident in Family Medicine at UW. Congratulations Dr. Cornish!



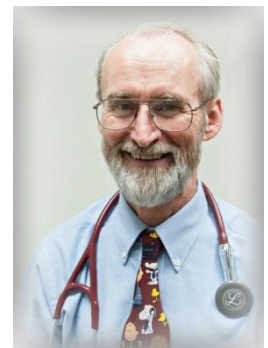
Tom Greer, M.D.

Tom Greer Retires After 40 Years of Service in the Department of Family Medicine

Tom Greer, who directed the Family Medicine clerkship for 25 years, retired in early July after 40 years of service to the UW Department of Family Medicine and School of Medicine. Dr. Greer's service and many contributions to medical student education and to the Department were celebrated with a luncheon at the June Clerkship End of Quarter meeting. Past chairs, faculty, and other special guests from around the WWAMI region travelled to Seattle to help celebrate and wish Dr. Greer well.

Montana WWAMI's Greg Rice, M.D. Honored with Two Awards

The Montana Office of Rural Health/Area Health Education Center honored Montana TRUST physician Dr. Greg Rice of Libby, Montana, with the **Frank Newman Rural Health Award**. This award recognizes in Dr. Rice the same spirit of service and dedication to the health and well-being of Montana's rural communities as was offered by the late Dr. Frank Newman. For almost 40 years, Dr. Rice has served as the quintessential small town family physician, looking out for the public health of the Libby community by providing excellent clinical care and teaching the next generation of small town physicians.



Greg Rice, M.D.

Dr. Rice is also the recipient of the **Dr. George Saari Humanitarian Award**, given to a Montana WWAMI graduate or Montana Physician who best exemplifies the humanitarian and professionalism characteristics exemplified by the late Dr. George Saari and who has made a significant humanitarian contribution to medicine and community. Dr. Saari combined compassion and clinical excellence that demonstrated the interconnection of the art and science of medicine.

Preceptor Service Learning Awards

This past summer the UW School of Medicine Service Learning program introduced Service Learning Preceptor Awards. 30 preceptors from across the WWAMI region were nominated by students for excellence in service learning and making a significant contribution to students, clients and community partners. Please join us in congratulating these recognized preceptors:

Preceptor	Project	Location
Felicity Abeyta-Hendrix, M.S.W.	Doctor for a Day	Seattle, WA
Rick Arnold, M.D.	Health Leadership International	Laos, SE Asia
Amy Baernstein, M.D.	SHIFA (Rotacare Clinic)	Seattle, WA
Abena Boateng Knight, M.D.	Doctor for a Day	Seattle, WA
Jon Boyum, M.D.	Specialty Preceptorship	Spokane, WA
Fred Buckner, M.D.	UDSM	Seattle, WA
Shelly Burdette-Taylor, Ph.D.	Foot Clinic at Central Lutheran	Anchorage, AK
Peter Capell, M.D.	Casa Latina	Seattle, WA
Janelle Clauser, M.D.	UriM Faculty Adviser	Spokane, WA
Roy Colven, M.D.	CHAP Derm Clinics & Trainings	Seattle, WA
Ann Dreyer, M.D.	Rotacare	Everett, WA
Linda Fearn, M.D.	UTEST	Pullman, WA
Robert Flaherty, M.D.	Free Clinic Planning Committee	Bozeman, MT
Pete Gosar	Walking Clinic	Laramie, WY
Stephen Hall, M.D.	Palouse Free Clinic	Moscow, ID
Molly Jackson, M.D.	Alliance for Equal Representation	Seattle, WA
Ward Merkeley, M.D.	House of Charity Saturday Clinic	Spokane, WA
Jacob Nettleton, M.D.	CHAP Derm Clinics & Training	Seattle, WA

Doug Paauw, M.D.	CHAP Derm Clinics & Trainings	Seattle, WA
Daniel Rivas, M.D.	Casa Latina Clinic	Burien, WA
Gregory Schultz, M.D.	Improving Access & Quality for Patients	Lewiston, ID
Meredith Sheedy, M.D.	CHAP Derm Clinics & Trainings	Seattle, WA
Michael Spinelli, M.D.	Free Clinic Planning Committee	Bozeman, MT
Tom Staiger, M.D.	SHIFA Aloha Inn	Seattle, WA
Joanne Stekler, M.D.	U-TEST	Seattle, WA
Mick Storck, M.D.	CSTC Backpacking Trip	Seattle, WA
Hassan Tehrani, M.D.	Specialty Preceptorship	Spokane, WA
Alisa Vickrey, PA-C	Caring Clinic	Anchorage, AK
Sam Warren, M.D.	Casa Latina Clinic	Seattle, WA
Catherine Wheeler, M.D.	SHIFA (Rotacare Clinic)	Seattle, WA

Announcing the Newest Members of the UW Chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha, the National Honor Medical Society



Please join us in congratulating the newly elected members of the University of Washington's chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha, the national Honor Medical Society. The top 25 percent of the class is eligible, and the chapter can elect up to 16 percent of the class in total. Students were selected using a blinded process that incorporated their grades, feedback from peers, college mentors, and clerkship directors in addition to information about their service and scholarly efforts. More information about AOA Honor Medical Society can be found on the [Alpha Omega Alpha website](#).

Elected to AOA on Sept. 7, 2017:

Kim Bauer	Seattle
Caitlin Bolender	Montana
Lauren Colyer	Spokane
Galia Dietz	Spokane
Benjamin Drum	Seattle/MSTP
Cheyenne Enevold	Seattle
Thomas Fitzpatrick	Seattle
Joshua Frankland	Seattle
Kelsie Hedlund	Seattle
Danielle Hidano	Seattle
Caroline Jackson	Seattle
Arielle Kloss	Seattle
Calvin Knapp	Spokane
Julie Kranseler	Seattle
Brooke Lifland	Seattle
C.C. Ma	Idaho
Aaron Misakian	Seattle
Justin Moore	Seattle
Natalie Munger	Seattle
Elizabeth Nuttall	Spokane

Elena Pellicer	Seattle
Angela Primbas	Seattle
Noah Qualls	Idaho
Jason Reynolds	Wyoming
Nina Tan	Seattle
Len Tran	Seattle

Elected to AOA last Spring/Fall:

Michelle Brajcich	Spokane
Ariell DeSure	Seattle
Hannah Dysinger	Montana
Ruth Emerson	Seattle
Emily Jones	Spokane
Steven Levitte	Seattle/MSTP
Ann Lin	Seattle
Alice Manos	Seattle
Chris McDonald	Spokane
Surabhi Nirke	Spokane
Dana Tower	Alaska

Montana Family Medicine Residency Wins Baldwin Award

This past April, Montana Family Medicine Residency was one of three 2017 Baldwin Award winners. The Baldwin Awards are jointly sponsored by the Arnold P. Gold Foundation and the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), and named for Dr. Dewitt C. “Bud” Baldwin, a pioneer in interprofessional education and collaborative practice. The award recognizes accredited residency and fellowship sponsors that foster supportive and humanistic environments for medical education and patient care, contributing to the personal and professional development of learners. More information about the Baldwin Award can be found [here](#). Congratulations to the Montana Family Medicine Residency!



RURAL PROGRAMS

Introducing the Office of Rural Programs

The Office of Rural Programs is a new office within Curriculum. Its purpose is to develop rural training opportunities in the WWAMI region, and to advance the rural physician workforce through quality and innovative medical student training. WWAMI (Washington (Seattle and Spokane), Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho), comprises three percent of the U.S. population and 24 percent of the land mass of the U.S.

The UW School of Medicine (UWSOM) has maintained the No. 1 ranking for rural medicine training for 26 consecutive years. Creating the Office of Rural Programs was an important step by UWSOM that shows the value placed on rural education. The flagship program, Rural/Underserved Opportunities Program (RUOP), intends to foster student interest in rural medicine through a four-week rural/underserved rotation within the WWAMI region. RUOP has been popular since its inception 28 years ago; more than 50 percent of our students participate annually in the program (in the 2016/17 school year we had 163 RUOP students). Many former RUOP students practice medicine in rural communities, and some now teach the next generation of rural physicians.

[Read more about the Office of Rural Programs.](#)

SERVICE LEARNING

Spokane's New Union Gospel Mission Saturday Clinic

Everyone loves a comeback story and Spokane's new Union Gospel Mission Saturday Clinic is just that. This story began on May 1st of this year, when the old mainstay of service learning in Spokane, the House of Charity (HOC) Saturday Clinic, closed its doors due to funding issues. The House of Charity Clinic had offered medical students the opportunity to serve Spokane's homeless population for many years. Not only were they able to practice their emerging physical exam skills, it also gave them a chance to work in-depth with people experiencing homelessness.

To determine how best to move forward, the House of Charity student volunteers conducted a listening campaign to learn from their patients what possible direction to take in the future. Had the HOC clinic met their needs? What improvements could be made? Was this a viable structure to move forward with? The response from the patients was a resounding “yes”; the patients valued the services, especially diabetes care.

Given this feedback the students felt encouraged to try to find a new venue, and after researching student clinics across the country, decided to take more of a public health/prevention approach. What happens next? [Read more.](#)

WWAMI ROUNDUP

WASHINGTON – Seattle

Integrated Empowerment-Based Attention Model for Patients with Type 2 Diabetes

Dr. David Kershenobich, General Director of the National Institute of Medical Sciences and Nutrition “Salvador Zubirán” (INCMNSZ)

Monday, October 2, 2017

7:30 – 9:00 a.m.

University of Washington HUB

MONTANA

Montana WWAMI Pre-Med Summit

October 21, 2017, Bozeman

The Pre-Med Summit is an informational meeting for undergraduate students interested in applying to medical school.

Clinical Transition for Montana WWAMI E16

December 11, 2017, Bozeman

Rural Medical Education Conclave

Feb. 21-23, 2018, Bozeman

The Rural Medical Education Groups is a special interest group of the NRHA, committed to advancing the training of physicians for rural practice through network development and advocacy. This event is hosted by Montana WWAMI Foundations Phase, TRUST, and Patient Care Phase offices.

Big Sky Faculty Development Conference

April 6-8, 2018

This annual Montana WWAMI faculty development conference is hosted by Montana WWAMI Patient Care Phase, Montana WWAMI TRUST and Montana Area Health Education offices.

IDAHO

2017 GME Summit

September 28-29, Boise, ID

For registration information visit the [2017 GME Summit website](#).

Fourth Annual Idaho WWAMI Faculty Development Workshop

Saturday, October 28, 2017, University of Idaho, Boise – Idaho Water Center, Legacy Pointe
322 E. Front Street, Boise

WWAMI-WIDE

DUE: Return MSPE release forms to Student Affairs

Thursday, September 21, 2017

MSPEs uploaded to ERAS by Student Affairs

Thursday, September 28 – Friday, September 29, 2017

MSPEs released to programs

Sunday, October 1, 2017

Final version MSPEs emailed to students

Monday, October 2, 2017

DEADLINE: Step 2 CK & CS must be completed

Friday, October 6, 2017

Military match results released to students

Mid-December

DUE: Ophthalmology rank lists DUE: Urology rank lists

Thursday, January 4, 2018

Ophthalmology match results released to students

Friday, January 12, 2018

Urology match results released to students

Friday, January 19, 2018

IMPORTANT LINKS

- [Acronyms included in this newsletter](#)
- [CLIME](#): In-person and on-line faculty development programs and conferences
- [Continuing Medical Education \(CME\) Portal](#)
- [Implicit Bias in the Clinical Setting and Learning Environment Training](#)
- [NewsBeat](#): News and information from the UW Health Sciences and UW Medicine
- [M.D. Handbook](#)
- [UW School of Medicine Policy on Supervision of Medical Students in Clinical Settings](#)
- [UW Faculty Development website](#) (Requires a UW NetID to access)
- [UW School of Medicine Curriculum Committee Bylaws, Membership, and Meeting Minutes](#)
- UW School of Medicine Curriculum Committee contact: Suzanne Kraus, krausm@uw.edu or 206-543-5562
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