FAMILY MEDICINE WELCOMES NEW FACULTY

The Department of Family Medicine welcomes Dr. Laura Eli Moreno and Dr. Katherine Stolarz to the Department of Family Medicine and the Family Health Center!

Dr. Moreno was born and raised in Guadalajara, Mexico where she graduated from Universidad de Guadalajara. She completed a surgical internship at Northwestern University in Chicago and family medicine residency at Valley Medical Center in Renton, WA. During her last year of residency she was selected chief resident which solidified her commitment with medical education. Dr. Moreno was the first Faculty Development Fellow in Valley Medical Center also becoming a graduate from the Teaching Scholars program at the University of Washington. Dr. Moreno has a strong interest in Hispanic population health, woman’s and adolescent health as well as student and resident medical education and research.

Dr. Stolarz graduated from the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine. She completed her residency at the Georgetown University-Providence Hospital Family Medicine Residency, where she served as Education Chief and developed a passion for medical education, women’s health, and treating under-served populations. Dr. Stolarz enjoys providing full-spectrum care to her patients, including obstetric care, osteopathic manipulative medicine, and in-office procedures and is dedicated to the field of global health. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the nonprofit CoCoDA, which promotes development and improved health care in under-served areas of Latin America. She also provides medical asylum exams to persecuted individuals seeking asylum in the United States, and presents regularly at national conferences on global health issues.

Dr. Ryan attended Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and Villa Julie College and is a 2014 graduate of Family Medicine Residency at MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center. She also completed a Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellow at the University of Maryland and Union Memorial Hospital. Fellowship coverage included Loyola Blakefield, University of Maryland College Park, University of Maryland Baltimore County, Coppin State University and the Baltimore Ravens.
GEORGETOWN STUDENT EXPERIENCE:  
A GROWING SUCCESS  
*By: Nancy Barr, MD*

At FHC, we offer a primary care research summer experience for Georgetown students between their first and second years. This 8 week experience has three components: clinical, research and community. The student spends time in the FHC seeing patients directly, taking histories, practicing physical exam skills and assisting in outpatient procedures. They work alongside residents, attending and students of all years. They also are assigned longitudinal patients from a variety of demographics and they follow these patients for any medical intervention that occurs in their 8 weeks. Each student chooses a quality improvement project and has a direct attending mentoring their project. These projects also often involve multidisciplinary teams. These projects culminate in a poster presentation (CAPSTONE) at Georgetown in the fall. The students also learn about the community in which we practice through meetings with various community resource leaders and cultural activities.

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**FAMILY MEDICINE CONNECTS WITH THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST AT AAFP**

MedStar Franklin Square Medical Center Family Medicine residents and faculty connect with the best and the brightest at the AAFP National Conference in Kansas City this past weekend!

Pictured left to right: Max Romano, DO, MPH, (PGY1, Fam Med/Prev Med Program); Richard Bruno, MD (PGY3, Fam Med/Prev Med Program); Kate Diehn, MD (PGY3); Allison Parker-Fahey, MD (PGY3); Melanie Powell, MD (PGY2); Sallie Rixey, MD, MEd (Vice Chair, Fam Med; Chair, Fam Med/Prev Med Program); Rachael Randall, MD (PGY3); and Max Dutkin, MD (PGY2).

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First year Georgetown University School of Medicine students Dori Abel, Ngoc Bui and Carol Barnes at the Essex branch of the Baltimore County Public Library.
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE TAKING CONTROL (BLOOD PRESSURE) INITIATIVE TRANSITIONS TO SUSTAINABILITY PHASE

Goals: Patient and Staff Engagement in a Patient Centered Environment; Lower Control Rates and Improve Patient BPs; Enhance Community Partners

About Blood Pressure Reports and Patient Engagement

Providers are using PopulationManager® to generate provider/team specific reports for their uncontrolled hypertensive patients in the FHC. Lists are given to providers/team secretaries and those patients are scheduled for follow up. Out control rate is currently 67% (FY 2014: 57.7%) and our teams are moving towards a consistent roll out of an acting rapidly protocol that has relevant information for our patients including community resources, patient portal information, portion fix eating plans and Giant nutritional tours.

About the FHC Home BP Monitoring Pilot

Drs. Seung Chung, Crystal Peralta and Mike Niehoff in addition to CMAs, Julie Owens and Leah Schueler, continue to facilitate blood pressure teaching clinics for our hypertensive patients.

Blood pressure machine “loaners” will be available on all teams with instructions. When the monitors are returned the BP readings are downloaded and an average systolic and diastolic reading will be calculated and entered into the chart.

Dr. Seung Chung presented “Population Management for Hypertension: A collaborative project with AMA/Johns Hopkins Improving Health Outcomes,” at the Maryland Chronic Disease Conference on September 8th in Baltimore, Maryland. The goal of the presentation was to inform audience members of the unique AMA/JHM lead project and demonstrate the value of the home blood pressure monitoring program in place at the Family Health Center.

DR. BRUNO PRESENTS AT INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF RURAL HEALTH IN ITALY AND ELECTED TO AAFP BOARD

Dr. Richard Bruno presented information regarding US farm workers’ rights at the International Congress of Rural Health in Lodi, Italy, where more than 300 participants from 52 countries came together. The main objectives were to reinforce Primary Health Care and Occupational Health services in the rural sector as the way to achieve universal health service coverage, and to integrate Occupational Health services within Primary Health Care.

We also congratulate Dr. Bruno on his recent election as the resident representative to the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Family Physicians, our 80,000+ member professional organization. Dr. Bruno is a third year resident in our 4 year combined Family Medicine/Preventive Medicine residency. This is quite an accomplishment for Dr. Bruno and yet another national leadership role for a member of our department. Dr. Bruno has built a national following of his own accord and brings many skills and passions to this role.
FAMILY MEDICINE AND GLOBAL HEALTH OPPORTUNITIES

Dr. Katherine Stolarz attended the 12th Annual 2015 AAFP Global Health Workshop at the Grand Hyatt in Denver, Colorado on October 2-4, 2015.

Presentations included:

Female Genital Cutting/Mutilation: What Clinicians Need to Know: Gretchen Heinrichs, MD; Ranit Mishori, MD, MHS, FAAFP; and Katherine Stolarz, DO. Chik-a-what? A Review of Chikungunya: Lisa Fleischer, MD, FAAFP and Katherine Stolarz, DO. Examining Global Maternal Health Through a Human Rights Prism: Katherine Stolarz, DO.

Dr. Stolarz joined other AAFP members in exploring opportunities to engage in global health and broaden clinical knowledge about global health concerns.

FAMILY MEDICINE ATTENDS FMEC

October 29 - November 1, 2015
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Celebratory dinner in Boston honoring Dr. Sallie Rixey as FMEC President.
Thank you Dr. Rixey.
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2014-2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Click on the button OR link below to view the Department of Family Medicine Annual Report. The report highlights faculty, resident and Family Health Center news and accomplishments from 2014-2015.


FHC COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
PILOT WORK CONTINUES

Self monitoring blood pressure machines are at community resource facilities including: Essex Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library, Baltimore County Senior Centers (Fleming, Overlea-Fullerton, Rosedale and Victory Villa), YMCA Parkville and Perry Hall locations, Creative Kids, First Baptist Church in Back River, Mt. Pleasant Church & Ministries and Shiloh Baptist Church in Edgemere. The monitors are being used on a regular basis by members of these community sites and love that they now are able to take ownership of their health. One of the site directors stated “I’m happy we’re able to partner with MedStar Franklin Square to provide this service to our members.”

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