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JAVETTE ORGAIN, MD, MPH INSTALLED AS 1ST AFRICAN-AMERICAN IAFF PRESIDENT

Javette C. Orgain, MD, MPH was installed as president of the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians on November 18th by AAFP past-president Warren Jones, MD, who was the first African-American elected president of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) in 2001. Dr. Orgain is a family physician at Mile Square Health Center (MSHC), South Shore satellite office and the first African-American elected president of IAFF.

Dr. Orgain, a native Chicagoan, is a board-certified Associate Professor of Clinical Family Medicine at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine (UICCOM) in the Department of Family Medicine and Assistant Dean of the UICCOM Urban Health Program. She serves as Chair of the Illinois State Board of Health, where she was appointed by Governor Rod R. Blagojevich in 2003. She also served as the 100th President of the National Medical Association (NMA) in 2000. Dr. Orgain has been an active leader with the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians since she was a family medicine resident in 1982. She has been a leader on urban health issues and an active advocate in the Academy's government relations activities. In 2002, Dr. Orgain was first elected to the IAFF board of directors.



Over 100 people joined in the celebration at the Harold Washington Library in downtown Chicago. Several special guests provided personal tributes to Dr. Orgain during the evening, including Willarda Edwards, MD president-elect of the National Medical Association and NMA board chair Niva Lubin-Johnson, MD. With a packed house of her family and friends and a gathering of health care and policy leaders, Dr. Orgain renewed the call for family physicians to redefine themselves and their place at the helm of healthcare reform.

"Family physicians know our patients and we know what must be done to make this nation healthier again. We are always educating ourselves to become better physicians, to practice smarter, and to help our patients take better care of themselves. We are reinventing the family medicine practice, through the patient-centered medical home, while remaining true to our mission to care for families... the entire person... from cradle to grave. We are collaborative leaders making the changes Illinois needs!"



Dr. Orgain has also been re-appointed to serve on the AAFP Commission on Governmental Advocacy. Her re-appointment follows a one year appointment to fill an unexpired term. The Commission on Governmental Advocacy oversees Health Care for All/Health System Reform, State/Federal Legislation, Public Policy, Governmental Relations and Grassroots Efforts. Congratulations Dr. Orgain!

INTERNATIONALLY RENOWNED SCHOLAR AND PRACTITIONER IN PATIENT-CENTERED CARE VISITS DFM



Moira Stewart, PhD, internationally renowned scholar and practitioner in patient-centered care visited the Department of Family Medicine (DFM) on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 11 and 12, 2008 in connection with UIC College of Medicine's Patient-centered Medicine (PCM) Scholars Program, which was developed by and is administered through the DFM.

Dr. Stewart is a Professor in the Department of Family Medicine and Director of the Centre for Studies in Family Medicine at The University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada. She holds the Dr. Brian W. Gilbert Tier I Canada Research Chair in Primary Health Care. An epidemiologist, she conducts research on primary health care and communication between patients and health professionals. Dr. Stewart leads an interdisciplinary research team that reflects the Primary Health Care practice team, including family medicine, nursing, social work, psychology, and epidemiology. She has published and presented widely on the topic of patient-centered care and has edited, with others, an international series of books applying the patient-centered clinical method.

On Wednesday, November 12th, Dr. Stewart presented a DFM Grand Rounds entitled, "Patient-centered Care & Patient Empowerment: Concepts and Evidence." This event was open to the students, faculty, resident physicians, and staff of the UIC community. Attendees were allowed an opportunity to meet and network.

Dr. Stewart also conducted two interactive seminars with first and second year medical students involved in the various curricular components of the Patient-centered Medicine Scholars Program. Dr. Stewart's seminar with first year PCM students, who assist respective faculty preceptors in the care and management of selected patients, was entitled "Patient-centered Medicine – Evidence & Experience." Her seminar with second year students, who are involved in the underserved, service learning component of the Program, was entitled "Patient-centered Cases." At the latter seminar, the DFM faculty who serve as leaders for the four underserved concentration areas (HIV/AIDS, homelessness, domestic violence, and immigrant health) were in attendance and able to interact with their students in various small group activities, as were many of the DFM faculty who precept first year students in the Program. Both seminar sessions provided attendees with a unique opportunity to critique pre-recorded clinical scenarios, to work collaboratively to define patient-centered care and the characteristics that this concept entails in clinical practice and requires of physicians, as well as to consider the growing body of evidence for this philosophy and orientation in clinical practice.

2008 marks the second year of the PCM Scholars Program. The Program is the first of its kind in the nation to explicitly focus on training medical students to provide patient-centered care for all patients, including the vulnerable and underserved.

For more information about the PCM Scholars Program, please contact the PCM Program office at: dkondrat@uic.edu or (312) 413-1098.

ALSO COURSE AT UIC - February 6-7, 2009

There has been a great turnout for the upcoming ALSO Course hosted by the Department of Family Medicine, as all available spaces have been filled with participants from across the Midwest. Course Co-directors, Drs. Abbas Hyderi and Nimmi Rajagopal are anticipating a very interactive and enjoyable learning experience for all participants.

ALSO is a structured, evidence-based, multidisciplinary training program on the practical management of obstetric emergencies. The two-day course is for maternity care providers including physicians, midwives, nurses, residents and other clinicians.



DFM IN THE NEWS



Tamarah Duperval, MD, MPH MSHC Medical Director, served as an expert source in a Tribune Red Eye special story on December 25th focusing on how to cope with holiday season stress.

Emily Godfrey, MD, MPH is featured in a January MSN Health article about the emergence of Cytotec as an "underground" and low-cost method used by Latina women to terminate unwanted pregnancies.



Eric Schackow, MD was quoted in an Associated Press story published on October 25th, about a recent increase in patients skipping medications, office visits or scheduled screenings and tests as they try to balance their budgets in the face of the nation's tough economy.

In a follow-up to this Associated Press story published on October 27th in the Chicago Sun-Times, **Tamarah Duperval, MD, MPH** spoke about the adverse effects she sees in patients who are foregoing needed care at the Mile Square Health Center. She is quoted as calling the situation "heartbreaking".

The IAFP installed the 2009 Board of Directors on December 6th. Among the Board Members were DFM Department Head, **Patrick Tranmer, MD, MPH** who will serve as 2009 President-elect. **Dr. Tamarah Duperval** was elected to the Board class of 2011.

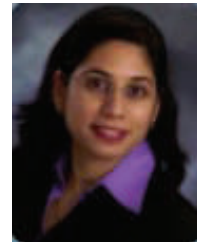


Abbas Hyderi, MD, MPH was recently selected to serve a 2 year appointment on the Board of Directors for the AIDS Foundation of Chicago (AFC).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DFM RESIDENCY WELCOMES RUCHI AURORA, PGY2

Dr. Ruchi Arora joined the residency program as a PGY2 this past November. She completed her first year of training at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine's Decatur program. She attended medical school at Gandhi Medical College in Bhopal, India and St. James School of Medicine in the Netherlands Antilles. Before moving to the Chicago area, she worked as an attending at the Akshaya Heart Hospital in Bhopal, India for five years.



STFM 42nd ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE

The Society of Teachers of Family Medicine will be holding its 42nd Annual Spring Conference in Denver, CO from April 29th - May 3rd, 2009. Several DFM faculty members, including volunteer faculty, will be presenting at the conference.

DFM Faculty

Hasnain M, Connell K. *Measuring Medical Students' Attitudes and Self-efficacy Regarding Patient-centered Medicine.* Peer In-Progress.

Hyderi A, Duffy K, Leanza F. *Teaching the Teacher: Tools for Teaching Adolescent Health in Family Medicine Including Video Vignettes, Clinical Cases and Competency Based E-learning.* Lecture-Discussion.

Stringham R, Crohn J. *Analyzing the Obstacles to an Effective Evaluation Process.* Research Poster.

Tiemstra J, Miranda R. *Clinical Characteristics of Non-group A Streptococcal Pharyngitis.* Peer-Completed.

DFM Volunteer Faculty

Zoppi K, Mygdal W, Milbert L, Jerpak C, Tullo L, Whelan G, Lisby M, Roth A, **Cash C.** *The STFM IMG Academies: Faculty Development Opportunities.* Lecture-Discussion.

Merok J, Guthmann R, Rowland K. *Just-In-Time Morning Report with Evidence-based Medicine (JUSTMORe EBM).* Lecture-Discussion.

Willerton E, **Zuckerman S.** *Training Resident Physicians to Treat Depression.* Scholastic Poster.



NURSE PRACTITIONER RECEIVES CLASS ACT AWARD

Congratulations to **Chris Bobek**, NP in the Family Medicine Center at OCC, who was selected by the Employee Recognition Committee to receive a **Medical Center Class Act Award**. The Class Act Award is given to employees who continuously demonstrate exceptional competence and compassion in the performance of his/her job responsibilities...an outstanding example of the University of Illinois Medical Center's five values:



Integrity, Innovation, Service Excellence, Safety, and Accountability

Chris was recognized at a University of Illinois Medical Center Ceremony held on December 11, 2008.

SERVICE AWARDS

A big round of applause to the following who have been recognized for their years of service to UIC and the College of Medicine.



Fran Trejo (left)
Billing Office – 20 Years

Liz Hawes (left)
Project Coordinator, Administration – 5 Years

Amalia Alvarez (not pictured)
Medical Assistant, FMC – 10 Years

Bernardita DelRosario (right)
RN, FMC – 5 Years

Rita Smaw (right)
Assistant Director, Physician Practice – 10 Years



DFM GRAND ROUNDS SERIES

The Department of Family Medicine offers a weekly Grand Rounds Series on a variety of topics relating to primary care. Grand Rounds are held every Wednesday in the Department of Family Medicine Large Conference Room (1919 W. Taylor, Room 196) and is open to everyone. The first Grand Rounds of the month will now take place from 8-9AM. The 2nd-Last Wednesday of the month's Grand Rounds will be from 1-2PM. Please note that there will be **no** Grand Rounds on February 18th.

February 4, 2009 8-9AM	<i>Challenging Patient Relationships: Ethical, Clinical & Personal Aspects</i>	Maria Devens, PhD & Augustine Sohn, MD MPH UIC Department of Family Medicine
February 11, 2009 1-2PM	<i>Perinatal M&M</i>	Evelyn Figueroa, MD UIC Department of Family Medicine
February 25, 2009 1-2PM	<i>Clostridium Difficile – Trends & Concerns On the Horizon</i>	Rosita Miranda, MD UIC Department of Family Medicine
March 4, 2009 8-9AM	<i>Family Medicine M&M</i>	Jeffrey Tiemstra, MD UIC Department of Family Medicine
March 11, 2009 1-2PM	<i>Management of Co-Morbid Disease & Sleep Apnea</i>	James J. Herdegen, MD, ABSM UIC Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine
March 18, 2009 1-2PM	<i>Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine</i>	Jason Bussell, President Illinois Association of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine
March 25, 2009 1-2PM	<i>Female Genital Cutting (FCG)</i>	Nicole Warren, PhD, MPH, CNM Loyola University, School of Nursing
April 1, 2009 8-9 AM	<i>Disorders of the Pelvic Floor, Part II</i>	Marc Singer, MD UIC Department of Surgery

DFM NEWSLETTER STAFF

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