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### FAMILY MEDICINE INTEREST GROUP KICKS OFF ACADEMIC YEAR



The DFM Family Medicine Interest Group began the 2006-2007 academic year on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> with its first meeting hosted by Dr. Patrick Tranmer.

The FMIG at UIC is open to all first and second year medical students who are interested in learning more about family medicine. In its mission to increase awareness of and stimulate interest in family medicine, the FMIG provides service to our students, our school, and our community.

FMIG promotes the specialty of family medicine in providing information on careers in family medicine, encouraging communication between family medicine physicians and FMIG members, and providing leadership opportunities to the emerging family medicine physicians of tomorrow. FMIG provides an opportunity for students to get involved on the state and national levels with the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians (IAFP) and the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). The departmental FMIG provides education as well as networking events, such as workshops and picnics, several times each year.

Participation in the FMIG is open to all interested family medicine physicians and is a great opportunity to nurture and expand a student's interest in family medicine. For additional information about the FMIG at UIC, please contact Dr. Samuel Grief ([sgrief@uic.edu](mailto:sgrief@uic.edu)) or Dr. Nipa Shah ([nshah1@uic.edu](mailto:nshah1@uic.edu)).

## Thank You DFM Volunteer Faculty

Thank you very much to our volunteer faculty for their participation in many DFM activities. Your contributions are important to the DFM in meeting the goals and mission of the department and we invite involvement of all faculty.

If interested in predoctoral activities, please contact Nipa Shah, MD (nshah1@uic.edu); residency training, Mark Potter, MD (mcpotter@uic.edu); Grand Rounds lecture series, Becca Barczykowski (rebecab@uic.edu). Should you have any questions or need information regarding departmental activities or your faculty standing at UIC, please contact Meg Oberholtzer, (holtzer@uic.edu or 312.996.1101).

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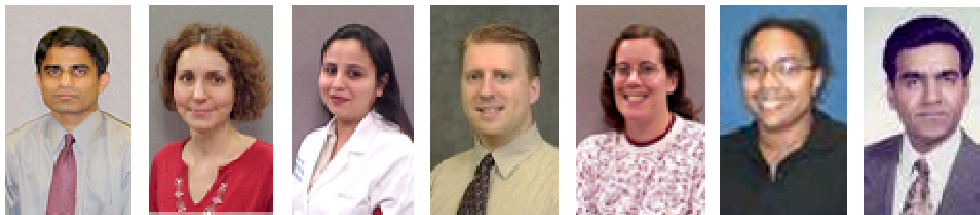
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## UIC DFM Newest Alumni Get Settled

The members of the DFM Residency Class of 2006 have all established themselves within the Family Medicine Community.



- ❖ Vikas Ahmad, MD has joined a group practice in Scottsdale, AZ.
- ❖ Mirela Galatanu, MD has joined a group practice at St. Francis Hospital in Chicago.
- ❖ Ambereen Ghani, MD is doing urgent care contractual work in the Chicago suburbs.
- ❖ Karl Kochendorfer, MD has begun an academic appointment in Columbia, MO.
- ❖ Heidi Krebs, MD has joined a group practice in Cincinnati, OH.
- ❖ Jamila Williams, MD has applied for a fellowship in Complementary/Alternative Medicine.
- ❖ Tahir Yaqub, MD has joined a group practice in Merced, CA.

## DFM ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Drs. Tamarah Duperval, Matthew Brown, and Martin Doot** will be presenting at the 2006 IAFP Fall Family Medicine Forum. Tamarah Duperval, MD, MPH will present "Identifying Postpartum Maternal Depression during the Well Child Visit; Resources for Referral and Treatment. Matthew Brown, MD, Program Director at Advocate Christ Medical Center, will present "Rewards and Challenges of Family Medicine—A Panel Discussion". Martin Doot, MD, FAAFP, FASAM, will present "New Paths to Recovery for Opioid Dependence". The IAFP Fall Forum will be held on Saturday, October 28th, 2006 at the Marriott Oak Brook. For additional information or to register, please go to [www.iafp.com](http://www.iafp.com).



**Maria Devens, Ph.D.** is featured in a story on student suicide prevention in the Near West Gazette. The stories features the Department of Family Medicine's efforts to respond to student depression and can be read by accessing the following link: <http://nearwestgazette.com/Archive/1006/newsstory1006k.htm>

**Corinne Blum, MD** began her new role as Medical Director for the Beloved Community Family Wellness Center in Englewood on July 17th. Congratulations Dr. Blum.

**Christine Bobek, NP, MS** was featured on the August 16th airing of ABC 7's Health Beat with Sylvia Perez. The piece, entitled "Nursing Your Health" focused on the role of nurse practitioners.



**Samuel Grief, MD** was quoted in an August 10th article in the Chicago Tribune. The article was about a Harvard Medical School study that found an increase in overweight infants over a 22-year period.



**Nipa Shah, MD** spoke to the National Association of Asian American Professionals on August 2nd. Her presentation on "Women and Heart Disease" was well received.



**Emily Godfrey, MD, MPH** will be honored on October, 20th, 2006 by the Board of Directors of Personal PAC at their 13th Annual Award Luncheon. Dr. Godfrey has been selected to receive the "Pro-Choice Leadership Award" and has been named one of the organizations "Top Ten Doctors".



Congratulations to **Dr. Abbas Hyderi**, who's volleyball team, the Chicago Untouchables, took home the gold medal in the Men's Indoor Volleyball BB Division at the 2006 Gay Games held in Chicago in July. Events were held on the UIC campus as well as sport facilities and parks throughout the Chicagoland area. Several UIC physicians were present during the Games to provide medical care to the thousands of participants.



### Corrections:

**Kevin Sherin, MD, MPH** was elected President Elect of the AAPHF for 2006-2008 term. He will become President of the AAPHF in 2008.

The announcement of the "Using HIV+ Patient Instructors to Teach Sexual Health and Substance Use History Taking to Second Year Medical Students" presentation should have listed faculty in the following order: **Maureen Gecht-Silver, MPH, Abbas Hyderi, MD MPH, Chad Braun, MD**, and Maureen Valaski, MHPE.



### ALSO COURSE AT UIC

The Department of Family Medicine at UIC will be hosting the AAFP & AMA Category I CME-accredited ALSO Course on Friday and Saturday, March 2-3, 2007. The course will be held on the UIC campus, at the UIC Student Center West and College of Medicine Research Building. Co-directing will be Drs. Glenda Rios, UIC DFM, and Kate Gunnell, Hinsdale Hospital Family Medicine Residency Program. Dr. Lise Weisberger, U of I/Advocate Illinois Masonic Family Medicine Residency Program, will serve as Advisory Faculty. Faculty participants in the planning and teaching of the course include: Drs. Abbas Hyderi, Lola Okunade, Nimmi Rajagopal and Nipa Shah, UIC; Jacqueline Bardwell and Kimberly Townsend-Scott, U of I Advocate/Christ Medical Center; Charles Crotteau, Ill Masonic; and Sharee Chance-Lawson, St. Anthony's/Stroger Hospital.

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. Topics to be presented will include: First Trimester Complications, Preterm Labor/PROM, Labor & Shoulder Dystocia, and Intrapartum Fetal Surveillance.

For additional information and registration form, please download the ALSO Course brochure at [http://www.uic.edu/depts/mcfp/ALSO\\_Brochure\\_2007.pdf](http://www.uic.edu/depts/mcfp/ALSO_Brochure_2007.pdf) or contact Meg Oberholtzer, ALSO Program Coordinator at [holtzer@uic.edu](mailto:holtzer@uic.edu). Deadline date for course registration is Friday, February 23rd, 2007.



### UIC 2006 Award of Merit Recipient and Fall 2006 DFM Most Valuable Team Player

Congratulations to **Nathan Harvey, DFM Managed Care Outcomes Coordinator**, who has been selected to receive the 2006 UIC Award of Merit. This award has been established to provide a mechanism for the campus leadership to recognize, appreciate and honor outstanding academic professional employees. Nathan will receive a UIC Award of Merit memento and a \$2500 cash award. He will be honored as part of UIC Employee Recognition Week during a ceremony November 1 in the UIC Student Center East.

In addition to this honor, Nathan has been chosen to be recognized as the Fall 2006 DFM Most Valuable Team Player. For both awards, Nathan was nominated by several people who made the following comments about him:

*Mr. Harvey has exemplified excellence in all aspects of his work. In executing his responsibilities in the referral process, he has reduced the turn around time for HMO approvals from 5-7 working days to less than two working days; this has greatly improved patient satisfaction. He is sensitive to patients' cultural background and level of understanding when communicating the referral process.*

*Nathan has worked in the DFM for 6 years, beginning as a customer service representative and then promoted to his current position as Clinical Outcomes Coordinator in the Family Medicine Center. He meets challenges head on in an unflappable, quietly confident manner. This has earned him well-deserved appreciation from staff and patients.*

*Nathan is an excellent team member. He interacts professionally with all levels of staff, from temporary help to the department head. He maintains a positive attitude even when encountering increasing workload. He responds to requests for special assignments or audits related to department compliance to JCAHO requirements. Nathan is a true "ambassador" for UIC and the Department of Family Medicine!*

Congratulations Nathan and thank you for your outstanding service to the DFM and UIC!



#### DFM NEWSLETTER STAFF

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