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## A Message About Our Mission



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Let me take this opportunity to extend best wishes for a happy and healthy 2005. The new year finds faculty and staff in the Department of Family Medicine at UIC eager to face challenges in pursuit of accomplishing our departmental mission:

*The DFM is dedicated to education in the health professions, primary care service to the people of the greater Chicago area, and health related research. More specifically, we are dedicated to:*

- *The education of health professions students and resident physicians so they can work together in multi-disciplinary teams to provide coordinated care within a rapidly changing health system to people living in a variety of settings, especially urban underserved people, and within the context of their communities. This care would require skill in the use of sophisticated information systems and evidence-based knowledge.*
- *The provision of quality primary health care to our patients which is competent, continuous, comprehensive, cost effective, ethical and family oriented.*
- *The promotion of scholarship and the conduct of research aimed at understanding and improving the basic health of our entire population. This would include studies of health promotion, disease prevention, disease treatment, as well as the process of health professions education and the organization and delivery of health care.*

We encourage all DFM faculty as well as non-salaried faculty in UIC affiliates and private practice to participate in the training of our residents and medical students. This edition of our newsletter will attempt to highlight opportunities for involvement in the various educational programs we offer.

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**DAISY ENDOWMENT TO UIC DFM**  
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The UIC DFM is pleased to announce that the department is the recipient of a generous donation from Drs. Charles and Donna Daisy. This foundation will support lectures in the UIC DFM and be designated as the "Charles and Donna Daisy Lecture Fund." Specifically, they have expressed the desire that their contribution be directed to funding lectures which address the economic aspects of establishing and maintaining a medical practice. Both Charles and Donna are loyal and dedicated alumni of the U of I and are indebted to the University of Illinois College of Medicine that provided Charles the solid foundation of medical education and knowledge that has shaped his life and served him well throughout his career.



Charles grew up in southern Illinois where he began the pursuit of his dream to become a family physician. He enrolled in the pre-med program at Southern Illinois University and in 1957, was admitted to the University of Illinois Medical School where he received four years of quality medical education. He married his wife in 1959 and they lived in Chicago while Charles completed training at Resurrection and MacNeal Hospitals. In 1963, Charles and Donna moved to Greenville, Illinois and raised their three children. Charles joined the practice of Max Frankel, MD, and the practice grew into what is now Greenville Medical Associates, LTD for which Charles has served as President since its inception.

Donna attended high school with Charles and in summer 1956, began her studies at the University of Illinois,  
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where she achieved a BA in Business Education, Masters Degree in Psychology, and a PhD in Psychology. She worked for 25 years at a youth service agency in Granite, Illinois, ten of which she served as Executive Director. From 1997-2000, Donna worked as a psychotherapist for Utlaut Memorial Hospital in Greenville. She is currently involved in the field of animal assisted therapy, teaming up with her dog Abby and making frequent visits to centers for abused and neglected children who have been removed from their homes.

The UIC DFM is an academic program dedicated to clinical care, education and research that focuses on meeting the needs of a diverse urban population. We are extremely grateful to Drs. Charles and Donna Daisy for the opportunity to develop this lecture series on the economics of practice management, an important piece of training for health-care professionals at any level of their career, and a topic compatible with achieving the mission of the DFM.

**HENRY MANDIN, MD VISITS UIC DFM - K. Connell, MS**

Dr. Henry Mandin from the University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada spent one-half day working with residents and faculty in the DFM on Wednesday, December 1, 2004. Dr. Mandin, a Professor of Medicine, has been centrally involved for the past 15 years in developing and evaluating a Clinical Presentations curriculum in the medical school at Calgary. This approach categorizes the entire domain of medicine into 120 clinical presentations (e.g., headache, chest pain, dizziness) and then develops "schemes" for approaching each presentation. The schemes guide both clinical reasoning and the integration of basic science knowledge. This approach is in sharp contrast to case-based or problem-based approaches to instruction, which are common in both medical student and resident education. Research suggests the efficacy of the Clinical Presentations concept for enhancing medical students' diagnostic accuracy and the likelihood that they will learn to think like experts.



Dr. Mandin gave a Grand Rounds presentation titled "Conceptual Guidelines for Developing Family Medicine Residency Curriculum." He then conducted a workshop with available and interested faculty and residents. The workshop involved participants in considering adaptation of the Clinical Presentations concept, including schemes, for family medicine residency education. Participants were engaged and enthusiastic and some have begun applying, in our Wednesday afternoon educational sessions, some of the ideas discussed. Should we decide to formally develop our residency curriculum using this approach, it would be the first such effort in family medicine.

**Conference on Culturally Appropriate, Patient-Centered Health Care**  
*M. Hasnain, MD, MHPE, PhD*

On March 4-5, 2005, the Department of Family Medicine will be hosting a conference entitled "**Patient-Centered Health Care for Muslim Women in the United States.**" This activity is part of our Department's larger efforts to seek ways to provide high quality, culturally appropriate, patient-centered health care for diverse patient populations. Dr. Memoona Hasnain, DFM Director of Research, is the principal investigator.

The conference is funded by the Agency for Health Care Research and Quality and supported by the Society for Teachers of Family Medicine, American College Health Association, and Illinois Department of Public Health. This is the first phase of a three-stage project intended to comprehensively study the perspectives of Muslim women and primary care providers to document barriers to the provision of culturally appropriate, patient-centered care for Muslim women in the US and to find ways to overcome them. The project is a collaborative effort among UIC Department of Family Medicine, UIC National Center of Excellence in Women's Health, UIC Center for Research on Women and Gender, Maternal and Child Health Program in the Community Health Sciences Division, School of Public Health, College of Nursing and the Great Cities Institute.

The conference will be held at the Chicago Illini Union, UIC campus, 828 South Wolcott Street, Chicago, IL 60612. For additional information and registration, please visit [www.uic.edu/depts/ci/mwhconf](http://www.uic.edu/depts/ci/mwhconf) or contact the Conference Coordinator, Puneet Khan, at [pkhan@luc.edu](mailto:pkhan@luc.edu).

## DFM SPOTLIGHT: Predoctoral Education

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The UIC DFM Predoctoral Program is committed to providing quality educational experiences to medical students throughout their four years of training. In the first and second years, our involvement is primarily through the Essentials of Clinical Medicine (ECM) course where our faculty members participate as preceptors in Longitudinal Primary Care (LPC), as small group leaders in the Working Group portion, and as lecturers in the Plenary portion of the course. In the third year, we direct the six-week Clerkship in Family Medicine, required of all students. In the fourth year, we assist students with many self-designed electives in primary care and family medicine. We also advise a large number of students throughout all four years.

Our program has undergone significant change in the past year and we appreciate the support of all those in the Department and the College of Medicine who have helped in this transition. Last summer, both Katie Helling, DFM Predoc Coordinator for several years, and Dr. Allan Olthoff Director of Predoctoral Program for over a decade, stepped down. We have appreciated their efforts and are thankful that Dr. Olthoff continues his involvement in the education of students in the Clerkship and in the Family Medicine Center.

### UIC DFM Predoctoral Program Goals:

- To provide innovative and effective educational programming for medical students in all four years.
- To collaborate with others locally, regionally and nationally to promote the principles of Family Medicine
- To serve as on-campus quality Family Physician role models
- To advise and mentor medical students
- To provide a nurturing and supportive environment that will cultivate and maintain student interest in the specialty of Family Medicine.

The new predoc team includes Steve Crossman, MD who was designated Predoctoral Director after nearly three years as Assistant Predoc Director; Susan Buchanan, MD, MPH returns to the DFM as Assistant Predoc Director bringing with her 10 years of experience in practicing the full-spectrum of family medicine with obstetrics, primarily on Chicago's west side. She is currently leading our group visit project and is very excited about involving medical students in this new model of care. The Clerkship Assistant is Robert Rios, who has enthusiastically tackled the challenge of coordinating both students (18-28 students rotating at 16-20 different clinical sites each six weeks) and faculty (6-7 faculty teaching multiple sessions throughout each six-week block) and he has kept us all smiling throughout. In addition, we continue to rely on the expertise of DFM faculty and staff, particularly Karen Connell, MS, Director of Educational Development; Maureen Gecht, OT/R, MPH, Director of Patient Education; Memoona Hasnain, MD, PhD, MHPE, Director of Research; and Corinne Holas, Project Coordinator.

Our team will continue to enhance our educational program and to expand our involvement with the students; we invite interested faculty, salaried and non-salaried, to participate. For further information about the Predoctoral Program in the UIC Department of Family Medicine, please contact Steve Crossman, MD (312-996-9297, [crossman@uic.edu](mailto:crossman@uic.edu)) or Robert Rios (312-996-9116, [rrios@uic.edu](mailto:rrios@uic.edu)).



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## DFM Non-salaried Faculty

Thank you very much to our non-salaried 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 Steve Crossman, MD (crossman@uic.edu); residency training, Mark Potter, MD (mcpotter@uic.edu); Grand Rounds lecture series, Nipa Shah, MD (nshah1@uic.edu); ALSO Course, Steve Crossman, MD (crossman@uic.edu). Should you have any questions or need information regarding departmental activities or your faculty standing at UIC, please contact Liz Hawes, Administrative Coordinator (ehawes1@uic.edu or 312.996.1103).

Soon we will be sending out our annual survey via email or fax to the listing below for updating of your personal information for departmental use. Extremely important is the inclusion of your email address to facilitate distribution of the quarterly newsletter and other UIC DFM information you may find helpful.

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### “APPRENTICE” PROJECT: COMMUNITY SERVICE

The DFM Superstars and Team Enigma, two teams composed of Administrative Staff of the DFM, recently completed an “Apprentice” Project focusing on community service. Through their efforts, along with a few faculty members who volunteered to help, DFM Superstars collected a generous contribution of 665lbs of food and \$403 for the Greater Chicago Food Depository; Team Enigma collected over 145 new items, \$55, and over 10 large bags (approximately 200 items) of gently used clothing, baby items, games and household items for Rainbow House Shelter, a center for victims of domestic violence.

Thank you to the DFM Superstars and Team Enigma for a fantastic job collecting food, gifts and monetary donations which will affect so many people in the Chicago area.



### DFM NEWSLETTER STAFF

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