Monday Memo – February 16, 2016

Presentations

· Phil Bolduc presented “Starting and Running a Chronic Pain Program at your Community Health Center” at the Massachusetts League of Community Health Center’s Medical Director meeting on February 2.

· Warren Ferguson presented on the impact of community reentry of justice involved population on state Medicaid programs at the National Health Policy Conference of Academy Health in Washington, D.C. on February 1.

Medical Student Education

· Beth Mazyck spoke at the first Veterans Health Interstitial held on Feb. 8th sharing both her military and civilian experience caring for veterans and members of the military. This half-day pilot will expand to a one-day session next December. The interstitial is organized by Linda Cragin, director of MassAHEC and Janet Hale, Associate Dean in the Graduate School of Nursing.

· Warren Ferguson co-directed the Interstitial Curriculum on Multiculturalism for third year medical students, also on February 8. In addition to Dr. Ferguson, Nancy Esparza and Dr. Maria Garcia co-directed this course and faculty member Charles Labonte also served as faculty for the experience.

EPIC News

· Marcy Boucher and David Gilchrist are the physician leads for the department as we transition to EPIC in July of 2017. They traveled to EPIC in Verona, Wisconsin for a 2 day training in December along with a team from UMass, which included physicians from across the organization and people from the IT department. Over the past 6 weeks, they have been involved in two separate weeklong sessions where they help design how we will use EPIC through collaborative design sessions. Going into the spring, they will be involved in similar sessions that will focus on the content build out for EPIC. In addition to these sessions, they are involved in a partnership council for ambulatory care where escalated issues are discussed. As relevant issues have come up for specific areas in the department, they have pulled in providers such as behavioral health integration and hospital medicine. Please contact Marcy or Dave if you have any questions.
Grand Rounds Archive

We finally have a Grand Rounds Archive up and running on our website. You can access it here: http://www.umassmed.edu/fmch/faculty-resources/gr/. Grand Rounds from 2013-2015 are currently available by topic area. The 2016 topics are currently available by month. We intend to have the most recent two years of Grand Rounds archived at any time, so at the end of this year the 2016 presentations will be integrated into the document (by topic) and replace the oldest year. **Keyword Search Tip:** While in the large document by topic area, you can simplify your search by including keywords. Right click and from the menu select find. Enter your keyword into the search box and click the arrow; it will search and find all matches or notify you that there are no matcher for your search term. Enjoy!