Monday Memo – May 2, 2016

EPIC Update

· The Epic design process continues in full swing. Marcy Boucher and David Gilchrist attended organization-wide Workflow Adoption Sessions on April 25-27th. They have also been participating in multiple smaller decision making work groups including the Ambulatory Partnership Council, Resident PCP Groups, and will be joining Tina Runyan and Dan Mullin on the Patient Confidentiality Partnership Council. Many of you will be happy to hear that the Resident PCP Group has decided that there will be multiple PCP designations within Epic. The "Principle PCP" can either be an attending physician, resident physician, or NP/PA. When the "Principle PCP" is a resident physician or NP/PA, there will be a "Supervising PCP" designation, as well as an "Insurance PCP" which may or may not be different from the Supervising PCP. Interesting, there will also be the ability for a specialty group to designate themselves as a "Specialty PCP" if they want to receive further notifications about a patient's clinical activity. Test results and documents generated during resident ambulatory visits will be distributed to the encounter provider (resident) and authorizing provider (attending). Residents will choose the authorizing provider for each clinic session (i.e. the session preceptor). Hospital documentation and test results will be forwarded to the "Principle PCP". Our hope is that these decisions will continue to allow family medicine residents to take primary ownership of their own patient panels. More progress to come! If anyone has questions or concerns regarding Epic please contact Marcy or Dave.

Awards and Recognition

· Judy Savageau has been named by the Women’s Faculty Committee as this year’s awardee of the Outstanding Community Service Award. Judy will receive the award at the Women’s Awards Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 11th, 11:30am – 1:30pm on the University Campus in the Cube AS3-2119. Congratulations Judy.
Policy

- Carole Upshur was a participant in a state-wide, day-long early childhood policy summit convened at Holy Cross College on April 26. She had also been on the planning committee for the Summit over the past year. The meeting was designed to identify key challenges and solutions to improving the state’s investment in early childhood education, especially around promotion of social and emotional development. Carole also played a key role in the Data and Measurement task force where she helped other stakeholders to agree on steps to promote state-wide information gathering about children’s needs and outcomes.

Publications

- Linda Weinreb, Carol Upshur, and their colleagues authored “Managing Depression Among Homeless Mothers: Pilot Testing and Adapted Collaborative Care Intervention”, which appears in Primary Care Companion CNS Disorders 2016; 18(2); doi 10.4088/PCC.15m01907


Presentations

- Steve Martin presented at the following:

Better Oral Health for Massachusetts meeting in Wilmington on Tuesday evening, April 26th. The topic was "Opiate Use Disorders and Interprofessional Care." http://massoralhealth.org/about/committees/workforce-committee/

Learn to Cope of Worcester on Thursday, April 28th about care for addictions

The MIT Hacking Medicine event on Saturday, April 30th as a mentor for teams looking at chronic illness. http://hackingmedicine.mit.edu/grandhack/

- The annual osteopathic conference taught by the ASSSG was presented April 16 - 17. Bill Foley was one of the lecturers and presented "The Clavicle, Scapula, and Glenohumeral Joint."
Community Service

- On Sunday April 24th, six Family Medicine residents provided sports medicine coverage for the 6th Annual Elm Park International Community (EPIC) Soccer Tournament. The tournament is organized by the African Community Education organization in Worcester. Olga Valdman, FHCW faculty and an ACE Board member, facilitated this coverage opportunity for our residents. Residents providing coverage were: Jordan Nagle, Cassandra Dorvil, Vinay Bhamidpati, and Kelly Aquilar from the Fitchburg residency and Kim Sikule and Scott Goldberg from the Worcester residency. Jim Ledwith and Jay Broadhurst provided faculty coverage for the event. Teams participating in the tournament were organized and sponsored by the following immigrant support organizations: African Community Education, Worcester Refugee Assistance Project, Southeast Asian Coalition, Cultural Exchange Through Soccer, Ascentria (formerly Lutheran Social Services). This was an indoor soccer tournament held at the Elm Park Community School on North Ashland St in Worcester. The game has elements of ice hockey in the enclosed space, tight passing and a ball a bit smaller and with less “bounce” than a standard soccer ball.

Media

- Ron Adler is quoted in a recent April 8 MedPage Today story on statin therapy: [http://www.medpagetoday.com/Cardiology/Prevention/57269](http://www.medpagetoday.com/Cardiology/Prevention/57269)

Website Info

- With graduation and award ceremonies in our midst, we’d like to remind you about the School’s new university events website which can be found here: [http://www.umassmed.edu/universityevents/](http://www.umassmed.edu/universityevents/). Everything you need to know about Commencement, Convocation and other Academic Events can now be found in one location.