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Bob Baldor is Editor-in-Chief of the recently published Bratton's Family Medicine Board Review Edition 5, published by Wolters Kluwer, 2014. Section Editors include Margarita Castro-Zarraga, Anita Kostecki, Tina Runyan, Felix Chang and Frank Domino. Contributing Authors include Mohammed Alhabbal, Phil Bolduc, Cassandra Dorvil (Fitchburg resident), Rocio Nordfeldt, Jennifer Smith (Fitchburg resident), Herb Stevenson, Jeff Wang (Fitchburg resident) and Ed Zaccaria.

- For the AAFP's biennial Family Centered Maternity Conference in Denver, CO, July 23-26, Sara Shields served as part of the planning committee and core faculty, and presented the following: lead presenter for workshops on *Group Prenatal Care and Labor Dystocia Case Studies*, co-presenter for workshop on *Miscarriage Management*, plenary lecturer on *Prevention of the First Cesarean: Labor Dystocia*; lecturer on *Induction of Labor*.
- The annual regional ALSO course was held in Rhode Island on August 14-15. Our second year Worcester and Fitchburg residents all participated as learners, and many Department faculty were involved as Instructor candidates, Lecturers and Workshop Leaders. Participating as Instructor Candidates were: Virginia Van Duyne (teaching Assisted Vaginal Delivery and Intrapartum Fetal Surveillance and Perineal Repair workshops, lecturing on Medical Complications in Pregnancy and testing for mega-delivery; and Navid Roder (teaching the Maternal Resuscitation and Postpartum Hemorrhage workshop as well as Intrapartum Fetal Surveillance and Malpresentations workshops and testing for mega-delivery). Participating as Lecturers/Workshop leaders were Tracy Kedian on Assisted Vaginal Delivery; Anita Kostecki on Maternal Resuscitation and Postpartum Hemorrhage; Sara Shields on Assisted Vaginal Delivery and Intrapartum Fetal Surveillance; Hugh Silk, Mike Ennis and Stacy Potts on Birth Crisis, and Stacy Potts, testing for mega-delivery. Next year's course will be back in August in Shrewsbury with Virginia Van Duyne as course director and Sara Shields as course director/advisory faculty.
- The ALSO updated syllabus includes the chapter update written by Sara Shields with colleague Stephen Ratcliffe of Lancaster General Hospital for both the syllabus chapter on Labor Dystocia and updated slides/lecture material on Labor Dystocia. These new materials are available on the AAFP web site at http://www.aafp.org/about/initiatives/also.html?cmpid=van_168