

Monday Memo – October 27, 2014

Future of Family Medicine

Family Medicine for America's Health is a new commitment by 8 family medicine organizations to strategically align work to improve practice models, payment, technology, workforce and education, and research to support the Triple Aim. It was formally introduced last week at a Washington press conference, with introductory comments from Dr. Don Berwick and journalist TR Reed. The press conference can be viewed at http://fmahealth.org/articles-updates (the first 30 minutes are highly recommended!), and a summary of the project, published in the October 23 Annals of Family Medicine, can be accessed at http://annfammed.org/content/12/Suppl_1/S1.full

Presentations

• The AAFP held its Annual Scientific Assembly in Washington, DC last week and several of our faculty presented:

Bob Baldor: Genetic Testing and Counseling: Is It In the Gene's? and Autism Spectrum Disorder

Frank Domino: *The Top 10 Things I Learned in 2014* (Frank has been presenting and updating this session every year since 2004)

Alan Ehrlich: Medical Marijuana: What You Need to Know

High Silk: Oral Health Across the Life Span – What You Can Do For Your Patients

· Our Department was well represented at the Collaborative Family Healthcare Association conference, *From Fragmentation to Integration: A Triple Aim Imperative, on October 16-18* in Washington, DC.

Sandy Blount, Judy Steinberg, Christine Johnson, Massachusetts Primary Care Payment Reform: Progress Report on a Transformation

Sandy Blount, with others, Turning information to action: Gathering user perspective for design of the interactive AHRQ Academy web portal

Joan Fleishman (co-author, fellow), Getting Started in Primary Care Behavioral Health: Job Acquisition for Students and New Professionals

Dan Mullin, Evaluation of a Motivational Interviewing Course for Healthcare Providers

Dan Mullin (co-author), Measuring Integration: An Empirical, Lexicon Based Approach

Tina Runyan (pre-conference workshop), Resolving Ambiguity: Tools for the PCMH Team to Use in Addressing Privacy and Other Ethical Issues

Tina Runyan, Jeanna Spannring (co-authors); Roles and Responsibilities of Behavioral Science Faculty within Family Medicine Residencies on Inpatient Medicine Teaching Service

Tina Runyan, Improving Primary Care Access and Coordination through SBIRT and Mental Health Screening in the Emergency Department

David Trotter (former fellow), Dan Mullin, Tina Runyan, James Anderson (former fellow), Jeanna Spannring (fellow); Successes and Challenges with the Expansion of Open Access Scheduling for Behavioral Health Across Integrated Care Settings

Awards and Recognition

- The Boston Globe Magazine partnering with The Commonwealth Institute recently published its list of the *Top 100 Women Led Businesses in Massachusetts*. Ranking No. 2 on this list is our own Joyce Murphy, Instructor and Executive Vice Chancellor for Commonwealth Medicine.
- Hugh Silk received the Smiles for Life 10th Anniversary Award "in recognition of his dedication and outstanding contributions to the project". Hugh serves as a founding member of the national Steering Committee of Smiles for Life: A National Oral Health Curriculum. Smiles for Life is the nation's most comprehensive and widely used oral health curriculum specifically designed for use by primary care clinicians.