



Monday Memo – January 11, 2016

Graduate Medical Education

- We were fortunate to have another excellent match this year in our sports medicine fellowship. We matched with two of our top applicants Kim Sikule, MD. and Elana Bannerman, MD.

Kim Sikule is completing her third year of her Family Medicine Residency at the Barre Health Center. Kim is a graduate of St. Laurence University and Ross University Medical School.

Elana Bannerman is completing her third year of Family Medicine Residency at Medical College of Wisconsin, in Waukesha. Elana is a graduate of Dartmouth College and Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

- One of our Preventive Medicine Residency 2015 graduates, Kathryn Brodowski, was just named the Director of Public Health and Research for the Greater Boston Food Bank. She starts the position on January 11, 2016.

Medical Student Education

- The Health Policy Interstitial for third year students was held on December 17. Welcome and Overview was provided by Bob Baldor, who has served as co-Director of the course with Jerry Gurwitz since its inception many years ago. Michael Tutty gave one of the plenaries, “Health Policy: What is it? Why should I care?” Other plenaries were provided by Stuart Altman and Eric Dickson. Small group sessions focused on case scenarios highlighting ethical dilemmas in practice stemming from policy developments, such as high deductibles, pay-for – performance, the high cost of certain pharmaceuticals, and the Sunshine Act. Department faculty serving as small group leaders included: Jay Broadhurst, Suzanne Cashman, Michael Chin, Alan Chuman, Frank Domino, Alan Ehrlich, Phil Fournier, Raj Hazarika, Carolyn Langer, Michael Kneeland, Marilyn Leeds, Kimberly Lenz, Beth Mazyck, David Polakoff, and Michele Pugnaire,

Publications

- Dan Mullin is first author and Judy Savageau and Barry Saver, co-authors of “ Challenges In Developing Primary Care Physicians’ Motivational Interviewing Skills”, in *Families, Systems and Health*, 2015; 33(4): 330-338
- Monica Mitra is first author, and Linda Long-Bellil a co-author of “Maternal Characteristics, Pregnancy Complications, and Adverse Birth Outcomes Among Women with Disabilities, in *Medical Care*, Volume 53, Number 12, December 2015.

Presentations

Steve Martin was a co-presenter on January 9 of a workshop at the 2016 Conference on Global and Community Health for Trainees, at the Massachusetts Medical Society: “Advanced Oral Health: Managing Common Dental Emergencies in Resource Poor Settings (Hands On Workshop for Medical and Dental Providers”).