



## *Monday Memo – May 9, 2016*

### **Presentations**

· Olga Valdman and Lisa Gussak attended the WONCA Iberamerica annual conference in Costa Rica April 13-17, and hosted a delegation of seven Nicaraguan colleagues (family physicians, other physicians, and a multidisciplinary community team) who work with them in our global health curriculum. For most of the team members this was their first time traveling outside of their country.

Olga and Lisa made two presentations at the conference:

“Formando formadores ('training the trainers') - importance of faculty development in family medicine and basic principles of effective teaching”

Olga presented with Dr. Maria Colon from the US, Dr. Karen Munoz from Colombia and Dr. Lisdamys Morera Gonzalez from Peru;

“Community medicine curriculum for health professional students: lessons learned from 7 years of longitudinal, multidisciplinary, community-based training program”.

Olga and Lisa presented with Dr. Ninoska Delgado and the group from Nicaragua.

### **Publications**

· Warren Ferguson is the lead author of “A Call to Action: A Blueprint for Academic Health Sciences in the Era of MA Incarceration”, in the *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 27 (2016): 5-17

- Olga Valdman is a co-author of *Coalicion de Salud Comunitaria (COSACO):using a Healthy Community Partnership framework to integrate short-term globalhealth experiences into broader, Globalization and health* (2016) 12:15

## **Events**

- Lauren Eidt-Pearson (Barre) and Tope Oluwa (HFHC) represented Family Medicine and Community Health at the Health and Science Career Expo sponsored by UMass at the College of the Holy Cross in April. Lauren and Tope spoke about a careers in Clinical Social Work and their roles as integrated behavioral health clinicians. Over 500 students from 19 area high schools attended the program.

- Steve Martin and Courtney Jarvis presented at the Barre Senior Center on April 27<sup>th</sup> on “Together We Can Stand Up to Substance Abuse, Your Prescriptions and You”. The presentation covered the who, what, where and why of keeping medications safe and how to appropriately dispose of medications no longer needed.

## ***Awards and Recognition***

- Jennifer Bradford has been selected by the UMMS Office of Faculty Affairs to attend the AAMC Minority Faculty Career Development Seminar, supported by the OFA. The seminar is scheduled September 15-18 at the Hyatt Regency San Antonio Riverwalk, San Antonio, Texas.

- Frank Domino has been chosen by the Class of 2016 to be the Permanent Hooder at their Commencement ceremony on Sunday, June 5th on the University Campus. Truthfully, we have lost track of how many times UMMS students have honored Frank with this recognition. Congratulations Frank.

**Next week we will report on the many Department faculty who presented at last week’s STFM meeting in Minneapolis.**