Monday Memo – June 18, 2018

Graduation

Friday night’s graduation ceremonies at Wachusett Country honored the following graduating residents and fellows:

Worcester Family Medicine/Barre Family Health Center
- Sandra Augusto, MD, MPH (Chief Resident) – was awarded the STFM Teaching Award, and was recognized for her completion of the Global Health Track
- Xiaoshuang Chen, MD
- Lisetta Shah, MD, MA
- Shameen Wijesuindara, MD

Worcester Family Medicine/Hahnemann Family Health Center
- Omar Abduljabar, MBChB
- Anthony Lorusso, MD
- Carolyn Murphy, MD (Chief Resident) – was recognized for her completion of the Global Health Track
- Brian Swaim, MD
- Lieu Tran, MD – was awarded the STFM Teaching Award, and was recognized for her completion of the Global Health Track

Worcester Family Medicine/Family Health Center of Worcester
- Elizabeth Gagnier, MD (Chief Resident) – was awarded the Alexander Blount Award
- Scott Goldberg, MD – was awarded the STFM Teaching Award
- Stephan Goupil, DO, PhD
- Olga Kuzia, MD, MA

FHC/W HIV and Viral Hepatitis Fellowship
- Benjamin Alfred, NP-C
- Babafemi Onabanjo, MD

FHC/W Nurse Practitioner Residency
- Brianna Hayes, NP-C
- Rebecca Thal, NP-C

Primary Care Psychology Fellowship
• Jennifer Carty, PhD
• Samantha Minsky, PhD

Sports Medicine Fellowship
• Cory Mitchell, MD
• Caitlin Waters, MD

PG-II resident Kevin Abraham, MD was awarded the Shannon Jenkins Award

The graduating resident class presented the following awards to faculty:

• Sam Pickens Award: Stephanie Carter-Henry, MD
• William Damon Award: Phil Bolduc, MD
• Teacher of the Year (Inpatient/FM): Neha Wacks, MD
• Teacher of the Year (Inpatient/Specialty): Carolyn Keiper, MD and Mark Vining, MD (Department of Pediatrics)
• Teachers of the Year (Family Health Center): FHC/W - Laura Sturgill, MD; HFHC - Henry Del Rosario, MD; BFHC - Kristina Gracey, MD
• Teacher of the Year (Outpatient): Lee Mancini, MD
• Community Preceptor Award: Robert Weitzman, MD

Presentations

• Suzanne Cashman participated as an invited speaker/moderator in the AAMC’s recent Leadership Forum held in Washington, DC, June 11 and 12. The Forum’s theme was “Embedding Community Engagement in Academic Medicine.”

• Amber (Hewitt) Cahill, along with Melissa Fischer (Associate Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education) and Jill Terrien (Director, Adult-Gerontology and Family NP Programs) attended the “Curriculum Development in Opioid Management: Best Practices and Future Directions” symposium sponsored by Brown Alpert Medical School and Cardinal Health Foundation. Invited faculty from medical schools across the country gathered for a 2-day conference, with work groups, to discuss changes in medical education to improve curriculum on three key topics: Interprofessional Opioid Curriculum (using multidisciplinary teams to approach opioid treatment and pain management), DATA Waiver Training (broadening training in addiction medicine generally, and exploring curriculum that meets the requirements for DATA waiver upon graduation), and Safe Opioid Prescribing. Dr. Cahill participated in the DATA Waiver work group, and will be working with this group to develop white paper with recommendations from this meeting.