Monday Memo – July 16, 2018

Recognition

- A record twenty-one UMass Medical School students have registered to attend this year’s annual AAFP National Conference for Students and Residents in Kansas City August 2-4. They will be joining our resident and faculty representatives at this annual meeting focused on the theme “Picture Yourself in Family Medicine.” Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving scholarships to attend the meeting:
  - Katherine Liang received $1,000 from the AAFP “Family Medicine Leads Emerging Leader Institute Scholarship”
  - Kaleigh Timmins, Angeline Ngo, Kiran Mullur and Marian Younge received the AAFP $600 scholarships
  - Ashley Millette received a $750 Mass AFP Student Delegate Scholarship
  - Tiffany Chen received a $600 Mass AFP Scholarship

- Congratulations to Phil Bolduc (PI), Linda Cragin (Co-I) and Vanessa Sasso, Project Director for the New England AIDS Education and Training Center, which received high praise after a site visit by their funding agency, the federal Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) last week. The two HRSA staff and two consultants who spent three days on site were quite pleased with the passion and commitment provided by NEAETC’s leadership and encouraged them to continue to champion innovative approaches to care and treatment across the New England region.

Publications

- Rebecca Kaspar, Class of 2018 authored Tracing New Paths to Rural Practice, about the Rural Health AHEC Scholars Pathway. Co-authors are Suzanne Cashman and Linda Cragin. The article was published in the Spring, 2018 edition of Rural Horizons, the journal of the National Rural Health Association.


Medical School Orientation
Clinical faculty needed to orient incoming medical students to primary care: To enhance primary care visibility during the first two years of medical school, MassAHEC will be hosting an orientation session for incoming students, Community Vital Signs, scheduled for Wednesday, August 8, 2018. The afternoon session, co-led by Linda Cragin and Suzanne Cashman, will introduce students to primary care, community health and the role of social determinants of health. We are looking for physicians to meet with these incoming students in small groups for discussion during a dinner session that evening from 6-8 pm. If you can join us, please contact Lorna Chiasson at Lorna.Chiasson@umassmed.edu or 774-442-3924. We need to showcase you and your work as these newly entering students begin their medical education.