**Monday Memo – October 22, 2018**

**Department’s Annual Faculty Retreat is this Friday, October 26, 2018**

**Recognition**

- **Bonnie Greenwood** is a co-investigator on a research team that was awarded a grant from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality on 9/1/2018. This research, led by Karen Clements of Commonwealth Medicine’s Center for Health Policy and Research is titled *Multi-state, Mixed-methods Evaluation of the Uptake of New Direct Acting Antiviral Regimens for the Treatment of Hepatitis C Virus*. The goal of this study is to understand how patient, provider, and contextual factors support and impede hepatitis C regimen uptake, providing a foundational understanding that can be applied to other high-cost medications. The New England States Consortium Systems Organization (NESCO) is facilitating the participation of four New England states: Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island.

- **Paula Gardiner** has been chosen to be a guest editor of a special focus issue on Innovation in Group Delivered Services for JACM - Paradigm, Practice and Policy in Advancing Integrative Health

- **Bill Foley** just finished teaching a 3 day osteopathic course. It is a two-part anatomy intensive course with both lecture and practical sessions. In attendance were osteopaths and medical doctors from China, Japan, Canada, and all across the US. The course, entitled Anatomy 101, took place at The International in Bolton, MA on October 19-21

**Presentations**

- **Jennifer Reidy** presented an overview of the Massachusetts medical schools’ collaborative to train all medical students in serious illness communication as a requirement of graduation at the National Summit on Advanced Illness Care on October 10 in Denver, Colorado. The Boston Globe featured the collaborative’s work by showcasing UMass simulation training for 4th year medical students in navigating goals of care and code status: https://www.bostonglobe.com/metro/2018/10/09/toughest-talk-medical-students-learn-discuss-patients-wishes-for-end-life-care/Fh7uYzVLRetnQaNFxBJxwK/story.html?s_campaign=8315

• **Amber Cahill** presented “Teaching Residents to Skillfully Respond to Patients Reluctant to Engage with a BHC” and co-presented “A Comparison of Two Methods of Interprofessional Education in Primary Care” at the STFM endorsed Behavioral Science in Family Medicine Forum in Chicago, IL.

• **Amber Cahill** and **Dan Mullin** co-presented “Caring for Family Members and Loved Ones of Patients with Opioid Use Disorder in Primary Care” at the Collaborative Family Healthcare Association (CFHA) in Rochester, NY.