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Chair's Notes
March 21, 2014
Tom E. Norris, MD
Professor and Chair

Spring is beginning to look like it is arriving. Tulips and daffodils along my driveway are sprouting, and some are beginning to bloom. The “spring forward” daylight savings time hour change just occurred, Seattle has had the most rain in March in recent history, and this is match week. I appreciate the opportunity to communicate with you again

The Department is stable and doing well. This brief report allows me to provide you with updates on several areas of the Department.

Change is afoot for those of us involved in medical student education. As many of you know, the UW School of Medicine is engaged in a process of curriculum review and renewal. The proposed curriculum will consist of three phases (**Foundations**, **Clinical** and **Career Exploration**). The **Foundations** phase will last about 18 months and will be taught in the region at sites that have been teaching the 1st year WWAMI medical students. It is anticipated that this phase will start in July or August, rather than late September, and will conclude 18 months later in January. The major changes include more active learning, less lecture, and more integrated courses, as well as a longitudinal clinical experience throughout the foundations phase. The longitudinal clinical experience may offer some interesting teaching opportunities for family physician preceptors who practice near one of our WWAMI basic science education sites. Further, this experience will introduce our students to continuity care, one of the things that many of us love about Family Medicine. A Rural Underserved Opportunities Program experience is anticipated to remain as an option for students in the Foundations Phase. The **Clinical** phase is proposed to be divided into non-specialty owned blocks with each block focusing on a key aspect of patient care experience (Care of Hospitalized Patient, Care of Surgical and Obstetrical patients, Ambulatory Family and Community Medicine etc.). These blocks will be utilized for about half of the class, and the other half will be taught through longitudinal integrated clerkships, similar the current WRITE program. It is anticipated that Family Medicine will play major roles in both the Family and Community Medicine blocks and the in the longitudinal integrated clerkships. The **Career Exploration** and Focus phase will have in depth exposure to many of the same high quality clinical experiences but will allow for more flexibility for early career explorations. Many of the current sub-internship advanced clerkship experiences, including the highly popular Family Medicine Sub-Internship, will be part of this phase. Additionally longitudinal themes (Primary Care, Lifelong Learning, Diversity, Health Equity etc.) will be included in all mandatory curricular content. Governance of these phases is still being worked out and the proposal seeks to move the governance from departments to committees consisting of faculty from multiple departments and disciplines. Overall there are significant opportunities for Family Medicine to increase its interaction with students in all phases of the new curriculum. Additional information on the proposed curricular changes is available on the Curriculum webpage. The Medical Student Education section had a retreat this week to focus on the opportunities and challenges of the new curriculum. If you have questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the proposed curriculum, please contact me.

The draft material above comes from our current knowledge of the curriculum renewal proposals. These proposals were only released recently. We anticipate that there will be a several week long period to discuss these proposals prior to final changes and adoption at the UW Medicine Leadership Retreat in April. At the present time, we are excited about the many positive changes that are being proposed. Real opportunities exist

for Family Medicine. Our biggest area of concern is the transition from our highly successful current required third year 6 week clerkship to either a Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship Model or a 12 week Integrated Ambulatory Family and Community Medicine model. We will be providing input on our concerns.

Student interest in Family Medicine remains strong. This week is match week, and we have learned that 39 graduating UW seniors, 18% of the medical school class, have matched in Family Medicine. 54% of them will be at Family Medicine Residency Programs in our Network in the WWAMI region. Our graduating students, like medical students across the US, are concerned about the rapid growth in both allopathic and osteopathic medical school classes, coupled with the lack of growth of GME positions. Last year, over 500 US medical students did not match. There are concerns that this number could be larger this year. Within the next several weeks, we should learn the details of what actually happened. This factor, coupled with the growing shortage of primary care physicians, increases the urgency behind developing new Family Medicine Residencies and increasing the size of existing programs.

In the area of Residency Education, we are relieved by the news that Harborview will not be closing its Family Medicine Clinic, and we are aggressively seeking an expansion of our residency program there. The ACGME has instituted a new program of resident evaluation and monitoring. These changes have left our residency busy preparing for Resident Milestones and a key CCC committee that will monitor resident educational progress. As of today, we have learned who our new R-1's are, and we are very pleased with the match—you will find photos elsewhere in this newsletter.

In the WWAMI Family Medicine Residency Network, we continue to note significant interest in the development of new Family Medicine residency programs. I recently met with Judy Pauwels and Nancy Stevens to discuss this situation, and I am very pleased with the enthusiasm we are seeing in many WWAMI hospitals and communities in support of development of new Family Medicine Programs. The announcement that President Obama's budget may include more funds for training primary care physicians adds encouragement, but uncertainty remains regarding ongoing funding of Teaching Health Centers adds concern.

Through my role as Board Chair of ABMS, I have been part of discussions over the last few weeks regarding the newly announced ACGME/AOA plans to unify accreditation of GME. This proposal has become a reality, and within five years there will be a single set of residency accreditation standards in the US, rather than the current separate ACGME and AOA systems. I regard the proposed system as a very positive change. This single set of accreditation standards for GME should be good for our patients, our learners, and our physicians. Until all of the details are released, it is hard to know specifically what it will mean for our ACGME accredited programs, but I suspect it will lead to changes for our dually accredited programs. I also anticipate that it will open the door for conversations between the Network and AOA accredited Family Medicine programs in the WWAMI region. Over time, some or all of them might become part of our family. Stay tuned.



The big news at the MEDEX Northwest Physician Assistant Program is the announcement that Ruth Ballweg, head of the program for the last 28 years, will be stepping down. Ruth will continue to be part of MEDEX as a Senior Advisor, with a focus on advocacy and global PA development. Linda Vorvick, MEDEX Medical Director and Director of Academic Affairs will serve as Acting Section Head while a national search for Ruth's successor is conducted. Mark Beard has agreed to chair the search committee.

The MEDEX program continues to grow, with early success at our new site in Tacoma. As previously discussed, our Department is utilizing our HRSA Academic Administrative Unit grant to make progress in combining clinical teaching for PA students, medical students, and Family Medicine residents. We are now successfully doing this at our Northgate and Harborview clinics. We plan to spread to other interested Network residencies over the next year.

In the Research Section we have been busy submitting numerous grant applications to the NIH and other funding agencies, across a wide range of clinical areas. These areas have included screening for lung cancer, practice based research, decision making related to ovarian cancer, risk of hypertension in women taking combined hormonal contraceptives, health workforce regionally and nationally, and cardiovascular disease screening and management in Nepal. The current funding environment is challenging, so we are increasing both the number of applications we submit, the type and range of collaborators, and the sources of funding.

In parallel with the intense pace of grant submissions, our Research Section staff and faculty continue to work on funded studies across a wide portfolio of research areas, publishing papers and reports in top medical journals in many different topics related to Family Medicine. We are hoping to expand our research faculty to further grow our capacity to write grants, conduct research, and disseminate findings to the primary care community.

The Sports Medicine Section sent two faculty physicians, Jon Drezner and Ashwin Rao, to the Super Bowl as SeaHawks' team doctors. In line with the crazed enthusiasm here in Seattle, you could call them 12th docs. The section is doing well and is staffing the new Stadium Sports Medicine Clinic and all of the Husky teams, as well as the SeaHawks. This year, thanks to funding from Seattle Children's, we have a second Sports Medicine Fellow. Research in the section continues to focus on sudden cardiac death in athletes, concussions, and tendonopathies.



Palliative care has long been a key interest area for the Department. Stu Farber kindled this effort with courses for students and residents, eventually developing a Palliative Care Service at UWMC. For the last two years Stu and I have been recruiting for a new UWMC Director of Palliative Care, and I am pleased to announce that Lu Marchand, MD, currently a Professor of Family Medicine at the University of Wisconsin, will join us in this role on September 1. At that time we hope to formally create a Palliative Care Section in the Department. As many of you know, Stu has been on medical leave for several months, and Jackie Raetz has done an amazing job of serving as interim UWMC Director of Palliative Care. With her leadership, and with a massive effort from the Palliative Care team, the program received Joint Commission accreditation last month.

As you can tell, there is a lot happening, and this report only touches the surface. Please read the rest of the newsletter for more details. If you have questions or comments about any of these items, or others, please contact me.

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The Department of Family Medicine is now on Facebook and Twitter

Family Medicine has launched formal *Facebook* and *Twitter* accounts to allow us to stay better connected with current and former faculty, staff, fellows, residents and anyone interested in the work we are involved in as a department. Instead of waiting for quarterly newsletter updates from the chair, the new *Facebook* and *Twitter* accounts will allow you to receive up-to-date posted content as things are happening.

If you have content that you would like to see posted on the department's *Facebook* and *Twitter* sites, please contact our social media administrators, Wes Fitch (wfitch@uw.edu) and Amy Clark (aclark@fammed.washington.edu) or call Wes at 206-616-8148.

Please subscribe ("like" or "follow") to the official UW Department of Family Medicine pages:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/University-of-Washington-Family-Medicine/348388411962077>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/uwfm>

In Our Thoughts

Tina McCain, former Clinical Faculty Coordinator in the Chair's Office, passed away December 27, 2013, at 43 years of age. Tina is remembered for her great humor, her love of music and good food, and her sense of style.



Welcome

Several new staff members have joined us in the past couple of months; below are brief bios from each of them.

Samantha Crowe, Sports Medicine Program Operations Specialist

Samantha is a WWAMI region native. She received her degree at the University of Idaho and lived and worked in Pocatello, Idaho in the late 1990s before coming to the University of Washington in 2001. She has worked at the UW as a Program Coordinator in Academic Affairs supporting medical students, managed resident and student programs for adult medicine and international medicine at Harborview Medical Center, and most recently managed the Emergency Medicine Residency Office. She has considerable UW experience and will be able to contribute immediately with assisting Kim and Jon with the Sports Medicine fellowship.

Stephanie Curtiss, MEDEX Student Services/Admissions Program Assistant

After growing up in Southern California, Stephanie moved to the Pacific Northwest to study English Literature at Seattle Pacific University. Within a week of graduating in 2011, she married a fellow SPU alum, said farewell to California for good, and they moved to Magnolia. When her retail job wasn't paying the bills, she took on seasonal work at a company that brings flu shot clinics to corporations and nursing homes. She then spent two years working full time selling American made promotional products at a small company in Bellevue. The sales position eventually left her feeling a bit unfulfilled and an SPU connection pointed her to MEDEX, where she can spend more time engaging with people and less time selling them baseball caps. Outside the office, she spends her free time immersed in a good book or writing short stories.

Lexi Garrity, MEDEX Budget Office Program Assistant

Lexi enjoys traveling both at home and abroad. Two of her favorite trips included living in Ireland for two months and hiking in Columbia for a month. Some of her favorite things to do are reading, baking, hiking, playing ultimate, and playing/listening to music. She holds a bachelor's in English with a focus on literature and is currently working on her Master's in Teaching from at Seattle Pacific University. Someday she wants to teach high school English Language Arts and Social Studies.

Ryne Maloney-Risner, MEDEX Didactic Team Program Assistant

Ryne comes to MEDEX from a nonprofit background in program support and community engagement. Ryne graduated from The Evergreen State College in Olympia and is a social justice advocate who appreciates MEDEX's mission of attending to the needs of rural and under-served communities. In his spare time Ryne can be found engaging the field of cultural geography and working up a sweat on trails in the great outdoors and dance floors in the great indoors. Ryne looks forward to the day when he can take the Alaska State Ferry to visit the Anchorage office on "official business".

Michelle Matsunaga, MEDEX Clinical Team Program Assistant

Michelle is a UW alumna who spends her spare time on runs or walks, eating all sorts of food, playing video games, and going places (even if it's just downtown). She frequently visits family in Hawaii, but was born and raised in the PacNW and prefers the rain.

Marcia McGuire, FMRN Regional Educator

Marcia comes to us from Southern California where she worked with Kaiser Permanente as a health care service/care experience project manager. In this capacity, Marcia worked with physicians, providers and nurses developing and facilitating trainings, and shadowing and coaching within departments. She feels this has been invaluable to understanding the daily experience of caregivers with patients within healthcare systems. The lens she tends to view the world through is that of organizational behavior – people dynamics embedded in system. In her non-work time, Marcia likes to take road trips whenever she can to mountainous and green places to camp, hike, rock climb and bicycle and is now just starting to take road trips on her motorcycle.

Molly Ormsby, FMRN Regional Communications Manager

Molly grew up in Spokane and returned there to get a Masters degree in Communications and Leadership at Gonzaga. She comes to us from a leadership role as Associate Director of Admissions for the UW Bothell Campus. She is excited about the diversity of roles in the position, our mission, and the opportunity to work with the department and affiliated WWAMI programs. When she isn't working, Molly enjoys the many outdoor activities available in the Northwest, including digging for razor clams and picking huckleberries. She spends a lot of time gardening and working on home projects and no matter what she is doing her German shepherd, Kaya, is most likely right by her side.

Monica Zigman, Sports Medicine Research Scientist

Monica has worked in health research for past seven years. An east coast native, she has a BS from the University of Notre Dame and received her MPH from Boston University. While in graduate school, she worked on two projects: one at the Framingham Heart Study investigating the long-term cognitive effects of alcoholism and another that took her to Nicaragua to study an epidemic of renal insufficiency in a village population. Upon graduation, Monica began coordinating research studies in occupational health at both Harvard and UW focusing on injury and disease prevention in the work force. She joined our Sports Medicine Clinic as a research scientist working with Dr. Harmon and Dr. Drezner to continue their research in the

prevention and treatment of cardiac illness, musculoskeletal injuries, and concussions. In her free time, Monica enjoys being active, traveling, and cooking delicious meals.

Admin

Global Health Fellowship

Dr. Anna McDonald, now a third-year resident at Swedish First Hill in Seattle, has accepted our offer to be our next UW Dept. of Family Medicine Global Health Fellow. She has worked in Haiti, India, Tanzania and elsewhere overseas. During medical school at U. North Carolina she spend a year in Boston earning an MPH from the Harvard School of Public Health. She will join us August 1, 2014.

- *Christopher Sanford, MD, MPH, DTM&H*

US News Medical School Rankings

On Tuesday, March 11, the new US News medical school rankings were released. We are very pleased to report that UW is once again #1 in Primary Care. Last year the University of North Carolina passed us in the rankings, but this year we are back on top. We also ranked #1 in Family Medicine and in Rural Health. Find more information and rankings at: <http://grad-schools.usnews.rankingsandreviews.com/best-graduate-schools/top-medical-schools>.

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STFM Annual Awards

The Society of Teachers of Family Medicine awards seven New Faculty Scholar Awards annually. Two of our faculty, Amanda Kost and David Evans, were among the 2014 recipients. Congratulations to Amanda and Dave for this special recognition!



Other recipients are:

John Boll, DO, FAAFP - Williamsport FMRP, Williamsport, PA
Suzanne Minor, MD, FAAFP - Florida International University
Michael Nduati, MD - University of California, Riverside School of Medicine
Ann Rutter, MD - Albany Medical College, Albany, NY
Matthew Snyder, Major, DO — FMRP, 99th Medical Group, Nellis AFB, NV

See <http://stfm.org/fnd/leadership/new-details.cfm> for more details.

TRUST Program recognized in Seattle Business

“For more than 40 years, the University of Washington has led an effort to encourage physicians to serve in the rural areas of Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho (WWAMI). Its newer Targeted Rural/Underserved Track (TRUST) allows students to train within a chosen community such as a small town,

Native American lands or underserved urban neighborhoods, from medical school through residency. With roots established, a health care professional is more likely to remain and help alleviate the doctor shortage.”
(<http://www.seattlebusinessmag.com/article/2014-leaders-health-care-awards-achievement-community-outreach-organizationsprograms>)

UW AOA Award

Each year, the UW Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) chapter elects faculty and residents who we believe demonstrate scholarship, leadership, service, and professionalism to become a member of AOA. A student nominated Jeanne for this honor and she was recently elected a member. The student noted Jeanne's outstanding mentorship and guidance.



Join me in congratulating Jeanne on this wonderful student-initiated honor.

- Tom Greer, MD, MPH

Underserved Pathway Update

Once again thank you to all 125 mentors who help all of the 217 Underserved Pathway students currently enrolled.

We are so proud of the 48 graduating Underserved Pathway (UP) students! They are all nearly complete with all UP certification requirements: preclinical and clinical courses, RUOP (Rural/Underserved Opportunities Program)/GHIP (Global Health Immersion Program), preceptorships in underserved settings, their Independent Investigative Inquiry (III) on an underserved issue, eight curriculum modules on underserved issues, service learning, and longitudinal mentorship. All components are designed to provide education about providing health care to underserved communities. Congratulations to our students for their dedication to improving the health of everyone in our country, including those who are less fortunate or face barriers to obtaining good health care! To honor their achievements, we are holding a UW School of Medicine All-Pathways Graduation on May 21, 12:30 to 2:00 pm in SCC Portage Bay Area. If you are available, please drop in and congratulate your UP student!

Congratulations to the Underserved Pathway Faculty David Evans and Amanda Kost, recipients of the 2014 STFM New Faculty Scholar Award! See below for recent publications and presentations!

Stay in constant contact with the Underserved Pathway by following us on Twitter; our handle is UWSOM_UP.

Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Conference on Medical Student Education

January 30 - February 02, 2014 | Gaylord Opryland Hotel & Resort, Nashville, TN

Preconference Workshops:

Engaging Today's Medical Student
Amanda Kost along with faculty from other medical schools

Lecture-Discussion

Can I Tell You a Secret?
An Anonymous Exercise to Address Individual Bias and Improve Health Disparities
Amanda Kost, Frederica Overstreet, David Evans, Sharon Dobie

Lecture-Discussion

From Training to Practice: Comparing Values and Motivators of Newbies and Veterans in Underserved Communities

David Evans, Sharon Dobie, Amanda Kost, and faculty from other medical schools

Lecture-Discussion

Reflective Journals as a Rich Source of Scholarship: Experience From the Rural Underserved Opportunities Program

David Evans with Julie Lerman, medical student

Peer Paper in-Progress

How Students Add Value to Continuity

Community Clinics

Tom Greer with faculty from University of Minnesota Medical School

Residency

2014-2015 Match Results

Welcome to our new Family Medicine interns!



Michelle DuMond
Stony Brook University



Andrew Gomez
Columbia University



Andrea Jochim
Stony Brook University



Adam McConnell
University of Oklahoma



Roshan Najafi
University of Michigan



Jacob Nettleton
Rutgers



Elliot Twiggs
University of Minnesota



Jessie Wang
University of Washington

At the following links you will find some photos of our Sports Medicine Fellows, Dr. Brett Toresdahl and Dr. Kirk Mulgrew, and our faculty members Dr. John O’Kane and Dr. Kimberly Harmon at the UW Football Fight Hunger Bowl on December 27, 2013, AT&T Park, San Francisco, California. Drs. Mulgrew, Harmon, and Toresdahl: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/toresdahl/11607840534/>. Drs. Harmon, Mulgrew, Toresdahl, and O’Kane: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/toresdahl/11601648725/>.

Research

WWAMI region Practice and Research Network holds its 2014 annual meeting

The WWAMI region Practice and Research Network (WPRN) held its 2014 annual meeting on March 5th, in Seattle, WA. Twenty-five representatives from WPRN member practices attended, representing 15 of the 22 WPRN member organizations, alongside colleagues from Family Medicine, the Institute of Translational Health Sciences, and Group Health Research Institute. For the first time, the WPRN Coordinating Center organized a pre-conference session before the meeting that focused on using electronic health record (EHR) data to inform practice improvement across the WPRN. The session involved a discussion of the types of questions that EHR data can be used to answer about quality of care, and a brainstorming session of topic areas of interest. Attendees then identified and prioritized a list of clinical questions that could be answered with EHR data. Over the course of the next year, the WPRN Coordinating Center will assist sites in answering one of the prioritized clinical questions, and identify sites that can share best practices in providing clinical care in this area. For more information about the WPRN or its annual meeting, please feel free to contact Gina Keppel (gakeppel@uw.edu).



Palliative Care

From UW Medicine News press release, March 12, 2014 –

UW Medical Center receives Joint Commission certification for Inpatient Palliative Care Program:

First Joint Commission-certified palliative care program in Washington state



The Joint Commission, a national nonprofit aimed at improving public health through evaluation and accreditation of exceptional health services, has awarded UW Medical Center certification for their Advanced Palliative Care Program.

UW Medical Center is the only hospital in Washington state to have received certification in palliative care and one of only 56 certified hospitals in the United States. The Joint Commission began certification for palliative care in September 2011 to recognize “hospital inpatient programs that demonstrate exceptional patient and family-centered care and optimize the quality of life for patients (both adult and pediatric) with serious illness.”

Dr. Jaqueline Raetz, UW assistant professor of family medicine and interim director of clinical care for the UW Medical Center Palliative Care program, headed up the certification submission. At the forefront of this certification is the UWMC palliative care team's "care plan," a document used with each and every patient receiving palliative care. The care plan reflects the patient's current plan of care in several interdisciplinary domains that are key to providing good palliative care, such as goals of care, social circumstances, psychological status, cultural and spiritual values, grief and loss, symptom management, and advance directives, among others. Since patients with serious illness often have several care providers, ranging from nurses to surgeons to social workers, this information helps all providers keep the patient's wishes priority. Dr. Raetz says, "It has been an honor to be a part of the palliative care team here at UWMC and I'm glad that I have been able to assist the program in achieving certification."

The Advanced Palliative Care Program at UWMC was founded by Dr. Stuart Farber in 2005 and led until recently by him. He is UW professor of family medicine, and chair of clinical operations for the UW Palliative Care Center of Excellence. Dr. Farber says, "The Joint Commission Certification is recognition of the superb work our palliative care team does on a daily basis. I am extremely proud of the team and especially the exemplary leadership of Dr. Raetz that resulted in a perfect certification rating without any recommendations for improvement."

Publications

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Presentations

Kost A, Overstreet F, Evans D, Dobie S. Can I Tell You a Secret? An Anonymous Exercise to Address Individual Bias and Improve Health Disparities. STFM Conference on Medical Student Education, Nashville, Tennessee, Jan 30 – Feb 2, 2014 (Presentation)

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Advancement



First (Annual!) Emeritus Faculty Luncheon

On March 13, Tom Norris hosted the first Family Medicine Emeritus Faculty Lunch. The celebration provided the opportunity to reflect on the many contributions made by this esteemed group that have made the department a national leader for more than 40 years. Current faculty provided updates on the department's activities in undergraduate and graduate medical education and research. Plans are underway to make this an annual event!

Attending:

Department of Family Medicine Faculty

Thomas E. Norris, M.D. Professor and Chair
J. Mark Beard, M.D. Associate Professor
Tom Greer, M.D., MPH, Professor (not pictured)
Kimberly Harmon, M.D., Professor
Misbah Keen, M.D., MBI, MPH, Assistant Professor
Fernne Rosenblatt
Roger Rosenblatt, M.D., MPH, MFR
Matthew Thompson, MBChB, MPH, DPhil, MRCGP,
Professor

Department of Family Medicine Emeritus Faculty

Richard M. Baker, M.D.
Alfred O. Berg, M.D.
Harold R. Clure, M.D.
John P. Geyman, M.D.
Michael J. Gordon, Ph.D.
Nola Mae Moore, M.D.
Theodore J. Phillips, M.D.
H. Thomas Wiegert, M.D.

WAFP Representatives

Karla Graue Pratt, Executive Vice President, WAFP
Kevin Martin, M.D., FAAFP, President, WAFP
John McCarthy, M.D., President WAFP Foundation

Gift from Washington Academy of Family Physicians Completes Funding for the Rosenblatt Family Endowed Professorship in Rural Health



Left to right: Tom Norris, MD; Fernne Rosenblatt; Roger Rosenblatt, MD, MPH, MFR; John McCarthy, MD, WAFP Foundation President; Karla Graue Pratt WAFP Executive Vice President; Kevin Martin, WAFP President.

During the Emeritus Lunch, John McCarthy, M.D., President of the Washington Academy of Family Physicians Foundation presented the ceremonial “big check” to represent the Academy’s gift that completes the funding for the Rosenblatt Family Endowed Professorship in Rural Health. Also representing the Academy were Kevin Martin, President, and Karla Graue Pratt, Executive Vice President.

In his remarks, Dr. McCarthy underscored the long-standing collaboration between the WAFP and the Department of Family Medicine in education, research, advocacy and philanthropy. The Academy also made significant contributions to the Theodore J. Phillips Endowed Professorship in Family Medicine and the Washington Academy of Family Physicians Foundation Endowed Scholarship.

In establishing the Professorship, Roger and Fernne Rosenblatt’s goal is to raise the profile of rural health by increasing the status and visibility of a highly talented family physician with a passion for rural health education, research, and clinical service. Their overall goal is to increase the number of rural family physicians and improve access to high-quality medical care in the rural Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

In accepting the gift, Roger and Fernne thanked the Academy for its steadfast support, particularly in rural health, since the inception of the department. They thanked friend and donor Bob Lundeen for his shared vision of having high-quality medical care available in rural communities. And they thanked their faculty colleagues — their friends — for their participation in bringing the dream of a professorship to reality.



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Thank you!