



**FAMILY MEDICINE CLERKSHIP**  
**EOQ HIGHLIGHTS NEWSLETTER**  
June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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## Top Five Take-Away Points from the June EOQ

1. The clerkship ends after the exam on Thursday of week 6. Plan to give end-of-clerkship feedback either on Tuesday evening or Wednesday. Zoom is another option if those times don't work.
2. Each clinical encounter only needs to be checked once on the clinical encounters log on e-value.
3. 45 UW students (almost 18% of the class) matched in family medicine;  $\frac{2}{3}$  will stay in the WWAMI region for residency! Thanks to everyone for inspiring our students to pursue a career in Family Medicine.
4. Consider using one of an assortment of available teaching techniques for challenging situations.
5. "Will it Make the Boat Go Faster? #MTBGF" For teams to work optimally, everybody on the team must have a clear, shared goal.

## A Day in the Life

### Leavenworth, WA

### Goeff Richardson, MD

#### Site Director, Cascade Medical Center

Dr. Richardson shared on the clerkship experience at Cascade Medical Center, located in Leavenworth, WA. With six physicians and two physician's assistants, the clinic sees roughly 15,000 patients per year. As a patient-centered medical home, the hospital features a full time integrated behavioral, health consultant, nutritionist, and social worker. During the FM clerkship, the clinic operates a six-week rotating schedule with family practice providers. Exams, documentation and referrals are led by students with provider oversight, and students also participate in procedures, such as biopsies or mole removals. Cascade Medical partners with Mountain Meadows Retirement Community and Upper Valley MEND Free Clinic, providing more exposure for the medical students on rotation. Students are on-call in the Emergency Room Friday nights, which receives around 3,200 visits per year. The clinic also offers opportunities for endoscopy; ride alongs in an ambulance; and rehab services.



**Pocatello, ID**  
**Zach Warnock, MD**

**Site Director, InterMountain Medical Clinic**

Dr. Warnock shared on the clerkship experience at Idaho State University Family Medicine and the many activities in the surrounding Pocatello area. With a clinic that provides a broad range of medical services including family medicine, obstetrics, diabetes, pediatrics, preventive care, sports medicine, laboratory services, x-ray, patient education and osteoporosis services, students experience broad spectrum family medicine while on rotation.



## Review and Discussion of Changes (effective Spring A 2019)

### UW FM Clerkship Directors

- **New FM Exam Information**
  - a. The end of clerkship exam is now at SOM-identified testing locations on the final Thursday morning of clerkship.
    - i. If testing location is 2 hours or more from clerkship site, students can leave clerkship on Wednesday at noon to accommodate travel.
    - ii. Students do not return to the clerkship site after exam (except *tentatively* the WRITE and Olympia LIC students).
  - b. NBME Study Materials
    - i. We have study resources listed on the Clerkship site under the [Info for Students](#) tab.
    - ii. So far, students have recommended NBME Practice Exams (they are \$20 or \$25 each and there are 4 or 5 of them), Case Files, and Family Medicine Pretest.
    - iii. Students have access to programs through the school to help with Step 2 studying that are not FM specific but may be helpful when studying for the exam.
    - iv. We will work with the school to set up faculty with a NBME practice exam so they have experience and can better assist students (more information to come).
- **New Grading Criteria**
  - a. In order to give you more opportunities for formative feedback, the clerkship has updated score cutoffs for Honors, High Pass, Pass, and Fail:
    - i. Honors: GPA of 4.7-5.0

- ii. High Pass: GPA of 4.2-4.6
  - iii. Pass: GPA of 2.8-4.1 (Note: If students earn a Pass on the exam, they have a max GPA of 4.6 (not eligible for Honors))
  - iv. Fail: GPA less than 2.8
- b. While discussing grading with students, keep in mind that this is a mastery clerkship. Students' final grade should be based more on the second half of the clerkship, after they have had an opportunity to hear and grow from mid-clerkship feedback.
- **Clinical Encounters Log**
  - a. Students will no longer document their clinical encounters on the FM Assignment Tracker. There is a list of required clinical encounters found on e-value. They should only check each one once. Our website has a [list of readings](#) that they can do to prepare for the encounters or in place of them if they are not available at your site.



## Clerkship and Steering Committee Updates

### UW FM Clerkship Directors

- **Grade Anchors**
  - a. The UWSOM is working to link evaluations more closely to clerkship objectives. They reviewed proposed anchors and offered feedback. We have invited the UWSOM assessments team to join the discussion at the October 2019 EOQ.
- **Resident Teacher Training Modules**
  - a. Last year the UW School of Medicine had its accreditation review by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). In response to one of the elements rated “Unsatisfactory”, the UW SOM has created required training modules for all residents and fellows who will be teaching UW medical students in the 2019-2020 academic year. Residency faculty may hear

about these modules, which can be found [here](#). Each resident should complete the modules, which should take about 35 minutes total, and affirm that they have reviewed the goals and objectives of our clerkship. This can be done as a group.

## Match Update

**Tomoko Sairenji, MD, MS**  
Assistant Professor, Family Medicine

Dr. Sairenji reviewed trends in the FM match using national data and also looked at UWSOM FM graduate data. This year, in the National Residency Match Program (NRMP), 9% of allopathic applicants matched into family medicine. Meanwhile, UWSOM almost doubled the national average, with 45 students (17.5% of the class) matching into FM, which is the highest number ever. Two-thirds of those students matched into WWAMI Network Programs. We truly appreciate all the work FM clerkships for our students; we know that these experiences help form their professional identities and inspire students to go into FM.

## Tour of UW Crew House and Talk by Yasmin “Yaz” Farooq

**Yasmin “Yaz” Farooq**  
Head Coach, UW Women’s Crew Team

Yasmin “Yaz” Farooq, Head Coach of the UW Women’s Crew Team and Pac-12 2019 Coach of the Year, welcomed us to the UW Conibear Boathouse and inspired us with a talk about the history of rowing at UW, including a walk through the boathouse, a visit to the boat that brought the UW Men’s Team to a gold medal at the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, and her approach to coaching a winning team. The women’s rowing team had, within the past week, swept the NCAA championships (check out the incredible women’s 8 sprint to win in the video linked [here](#) (race start at minute 15, sprint at about 19)). Coach Farooq attributes much of her success to a growth mindset, and recommended the book “[Mindset](#)” by Carol Dweck.



## Family Medicine Clerkship Professionalism Award

This award is given to clinical faculty for providing a substantial contribution to medical education within the Family Medicine Clerkship at the University of Washington School of Medicine. At this End of Quarter Meeting we acknowledged the following for their dedication to medical students during the 2018-2019 academic year.

### *Professionalism Award Recipients*

**Norma Cantu, MD**

Banner Health Community Hospital  
Torrington, WY

**Robert Hart, DO**

Florence Family Medicine  
Missoula, MT

**Karen Jonson, ARNP**

Country Doctor Community Clinic  
Seattle, WA

**Laura Morgan, MD**

Country Doctor Community Clinic  
Seattle, WA



**Professionalism Award Winners:** Laura Morgan, MD (Country Doctor, Seattle, WA), also accepting on behalf of Karen Jonson, ARNP (Country Doctor, Seattle, WA); Norma Cantu, MD (Torrington, WY); Robert Hart, DO (Missoula, MT), accepted by Carla Fritz, MD

## Family Medicine Clerkship Outstanding Faculty Award

This award is given to the top 1% of Family Medicine Clerkship faculty for demonstrating excellence and commitment to medical student teaching. At this End of Quarter Meeting we acknowledged the following for the 2018-2019 academic year.

### Outstanding Faculty Award Recipients

**Allison Bastian, MD**

Idaho FMR  
Boise, ID

**Ronald Dummermuth, MD**

Harrison HealthPartners  
Bremerton, WA

**John Kalbfleisch, MD**

Glacier Medical Associates  
Whitefish, MT

**Pam Pentin, MD**

UW FMR  
Seattle, WA

**Pebbles Shanley, MD**

Alaska FMR  
Anchorage, AK



**Outstanding Faculty Award Winners** (clockwise from top left): Pam Pentin, MD (UW FMR); Pebbles Shanley, MD (Anchorage, AK); Allison Bastian, MD (Boise, ID), accepted by Tim DeBleeck, MD; Ronald Dummermuth, MD (Bremerton-Harrison, WA), accepted by Heidi Allred, MD; John Kalbfleisch, MD (Whitefish, MT), accepted by Dan Munzing, MD

## Active Learning Techniques

**Bjorn Watsjold, MD, MPH**

Medical Education Research Fellow, UW Dept. of Emergency Medicine

**Diana Zhong, MD**

Acting Instructor/Senior Fellow, UW Dept. of Internal Medicine

Bjorn Watsjold, MD, MPH, and Diana Zhong, MD, led EOQ participants through their active learning techniques game. The game can be described as a game where participants have the opportunity to learn about and use a wide variety of educational and teaching strategies in simulated challenging situations. If you are interested in the card deck, contact Bjorn ([watsjold@uw.edu](mailto:watsjold@uw.edu)).



*Thank you all for your hard work & thank you for attending!*

Our next EOQ will be **Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019** at the UW Waterfront Activities Center (WAC)

[Click here to RSVP for the event](#)

We are very open to feedback for upcoming EOQs. If there is a particular topic you would like to see covered, please email: [fmclerk@uw.edu](mailto:fmclerk@uw.edu)