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**Trish Halligan**, Residency and Student Coordinator, Quad Cities Genesis Family Medicine Residency, receives the UICCOM Medical Education Coordinator of the Year Award from Peter Densen, M.D., Executive Dean, at a reception on campus July 15. Below Trish chats with colleagues, (l to r) Bev Kotowske and Relda Dwyer, present and former Cedar Rapids Residency Coordinators, and Linda Hoover, UI Family Medicine Residency Coordinator.
Densen Steps Down

Effective November 1, Peter Densen, M.D., stepped down from his role as the Executive Dean for the UI Carver College of Medicine to begin a sabbatical. Densen has a long history of service to the College of Medicine having served on the faculty of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Department of Internal Medicine since 1983. In 1992, he became Assistant Dean for Medical Education and in 1994, the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Curriculum. He served as interim head of the Department of Internal Medicine from 2002 to 2004, when he returned to the Dean’s office where he served as Executive Dean. He recently led the College’s self-study in preparation for the College’s site visit by the Liaison Committee for Medication Education in which the College received re-accreditation for a full seven years.

Donna L. Hammond, Ph.D., Professor of Anesthesia and Pharmacology is serving as Interim Executive Associate Dean. She most recently served as interim head of the Department of Pharmacology and in her new position will carry forward strategic collegiate goals in the areas of education and research.

Gary W. Milner, M.H.A., FACHE, was honored at an open house on January 13 in Waterloo. Milner resigned from his position as Administrator of the Northeast Iowa Medical Education Foundation (NEIMEF). A key member of the leadership team directing the financial operations of the organization, he has served at the Foundation since 1998.

Pictured above are (l to r), Lynette Lancial and Roger Tracy, UI Carver College of Medicine, Gary Milner, and John Sutherland, M.D., former Director of NEIMEF.
p4 Advances in CR

The Cedar Rapids Family Medicine Residency program is just one of 14 nationwide to have been chosen as a p4 (Preparing the Personal Physician for Practice) program by the American Academy of Family Practice (AAFP). Participating programs use educational experimentation to advance the goal of training physicians attuned to the real world practice of Family Medicine. In the third year of the five-year project, the Cedar Rapids program has focused on increasing the amount of time residents spend in the outpatient clinic, while still meeting ACGME requirements. By using a non-rotational block curriculum in the second and third years, residents are spending 30-50% more time in the family medicine clinic than in the case with a traditional family medicine residency curriculum. In addition, the program has compressed the non-family medical clinic curriculum into two-week “areas of concentration” as well as promoting vigorous team-based QA/QI projects.

DM Researching C. Difficile

Iowa Health – Des Moines (IHDM) is continuing work with the Association of Independent Academic Medical Centers’ National Initiative which integrates research and quality measures in academics. Representatives from the internal medicine residency, infection control and clinical quality are working on a project to reduce Clostridium difficile infection rates within IHDM facilities. C. difficile is a bacterium which causes symptoms ranging from diarrhea to life-threatening inflammation of the colon, most commonly affects older adults in hospitals and in long-term care facilities, and typically occurs after use of antibiotic medications.

DM IM Residency Expands

Iowa Health – Des Moines received a $1.9 million Primary Care Residency Expansion Grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration. This grant will provide for the expansion of the Internal Medicine Residency Program’s resident complement from eight to ten first-year residents effective in the 2011-2012 academic year. The residency has seen a high proportion of its graduates enter primary care practice in recent years.

C-Section and Colonoscopy Training in CR

Beginning this year residents at the Cedar Rapids Family Medicine Residency have the option to obtain training in performing C-sections under the guidance of Yue Teng, M.D. Teng, a graduate of the Cedar Rapids residency and a recent addition to the faculty, completed an OB fellowship in Michigan.

In addition, residents are regularly scheduled with Brian Meeker, M.D., a family physician in Vinton. There, under Dr. Meeker’s supervision, residents have the opportunity to learn how to do colonoscopies.
**Honors and Awards**

**James Hoehns, Pharm.D.,** Associate Professor (Clinical), Pharmacy Practice and Science, UI College of Pharmacy, recently became a Fellow of The American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP). Hoehns is a faculty member at the Northeast Iowa Medical Education Foundation in Waterloo.

The UI College of Pharmacy selected **Kristin Horning, Pharm.D.,** as Preceptor of the Year. According to Michael E. Kelly, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, “Horning truly provides an outstanding learning environment for our students. This award is based heavily on student feedback and from their comments it is clear that [Horning] has created a terrific experience for our students.” Kelly cited the strong support of the organization as a factor in creating such a positive educational experience. Horning is based at the Iowa Lutheran Hospital Family Medicine Residency in Des Moines.

**Paul James, M.D.,** Professor and Head of the UI Department of Family Medicine, UI Carver College of Medicine was named to the Donald J. and Anna M. Ottlie Endowed Chair in Family Medicine. The Chair was a gift from the Ottlie family recognizing the work of Dr. Donald Ottlie of Oelwein in establishing graduate training for family physicians in Iowa.

**Thomas J. Schmidt, Ph.D.,** Professor of Physiology and Biophysics, UICCOM, received the 2010 Master Teachers Award from the International Association of Medical Science Educators.

**Scott A. Vogelgesang, M.D.,** Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine, will be the inaugural holder of the M. Paul Strottmann Family Chair of Medical Student Education and Physician Training.

**Three New Faculty at Cedar Rapids Program**

**Craig R. Davenport,** an Illinois native, earned a B.S. in Biomedical engineering from the Milwaukee School of engineering and worked as an engineer for about four years prior to beginning medical school. He then attended medical school at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford, Illinois. He is a graduate of the Cedar Rapids family medicine residency and his special interests include rural clinical medicine and geriatric medicine.

**Ann K. Soenen, D.O.,** earned a B.S. in Biology and Psychology from the University of Iowa while working as a Park Ranger for the Army Corps of Engineers at Coralville Lake. She graduated from Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine, and completed a family medicine residency at the Siouxland Medical Education Foundation in Sioux City, where she subsequently held a faculty position. Her professional interests include full-spectrum family medicine.

**Yue Teng, M.D.,** graduated from Xian Medical University and completed a family medicine residency at the Cedar Rapids Medical Education Foundation. Teng completed an OB fellowship in Wayne, Michigan before joining the
UI Community Teaching Scholars

Start 8th Year

The UI Community Teaching Scholars program established in 2003 was initially supported by a HRSA grant that aimed at developing a cadre of community-based faculty to provide teaching skills training to their peers throughout the state. The first five years of the program resulted in the training of 20 community-based scholars and implementation of more than 65 new workshops for community-based preceptors and UI Regional Medical Education Center (RMEC) faculty and residents. Outcomes from this program have been reported in several national presentations and one publication currently under review. The primary commitments for scholars are to attend quarterly meetings on the University of Iowa campus and co-facilitate faculty development workshops at least once per year in their RMEC.

RMECs enlist at least two faculty participants who share responsibilities for facilitating workshops and partner in implementing new faculty development programming within their centers. Scholars can be physicians, PharmDs, or behavioral science faculty. They are typically involved in teaching, curriculum development, assessment, and must have an interest in enhancing their skills as teachers and sharing their educational knowledge with their peers. Participants have benefitted by engaging in additional professional development and scholarship opportunities. Most have had a positive impact on the learning environment and the teachers in their residency programs and community.


Marcy E. Rosenbaum, Ph.D., Dr. Harold A. Myers Distinguished Professor, in the Office of Consultation and Research in Medical Education directs the program which is coordinated through the Office of Statewide Clinical Education Programs, UI Carver College of Medicine.

National Children’s Study Begins

The National Children’s Study is getting underway in Polk County. The study will examine the effects of the environment on children across the United States from birth to age 21. It is the largest long-term study of children’s health ever conducted in the U.S.

“Research like this is important because there are a number of pediatric diseases that we just don’t know much about, and many of these are becoming epidemics within the pediatric community,” said Jeff Murray, M.D., the study’s principal investigator, and UI Professor, Department of Pediatrics.

“We are very excited about this opportunity for our community and our children. They will contribute to and benefit from this research,” said Rizwan Shah, M.D., principal investigator in Polk County, and medical director of the Regional Child Protection Center at Blank Children’s Hospital. Rizwan is also a UI Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor in Pediatrics.

The Polk County study is a collaborative initiative and one of 105 locations nationwide. Study partners in Des Moines include Broadlawns Medical Center, Des Moines University, Iowa Health-Des Moines, Mercy Medical Center-Des Moines, Polk County Health Department, Primary Healthcare, and the
The Iowa Board of Medical Examiners has issued clinical practice guidelines for clinical training of medical students.

**Guide for What Medical Students Can Do**
Approved by the Board on October 22, 2010

**Requirements for Medical Students**
- Enrolled in a board-approved (LCME or AOA) medical school
- More than two years of medical school training (3rd & 4th year students)
- Medical license not required
- Supervised by licensed physician (direct or indirect)
  - Direct supervision means the supervising physician is in the room with the medical student.
  - Indirect supervision means the supervision physician is in close proximity to the student. Supervisor does not have to be in the room with the student.
- Medical school credit
- Inform patient/patient consent

**Potential Services under the Direct Supervision of a Licensed Physician**
- Observe patient treatment
- Assist in procedures
- Basic history and physicals
- Read charts
- Interview patients
- Prepare charts that are subject to review by the supervising physician

**Potential Services under the Indirect Supervision of a Licensed Physician**
- Basic history and physicals
- Read charts
- Interview patients
- Prepare charts that are subject to review by the supervising physician
- Communicate with other providers (e.g. consulting teams with questions or information)

**Brief**

Iowa Health - Des Moines (IHDM) Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residency Program noted the completion of its first year on November 1. The residency will reach full capacity in 2011 when a third resident enters the program. The residency has provisional accreditation until its first review in 2013.
**Publications**


**Posters**

Dan Harkness, Ph.D., and Chris Champion, D.O., Iowa Lutheran Hospital Family Medicine Residency, will present a poster, “This Will Only Hurt a Little: Developing a Resident Stress Assessment Program,” at the 44th STFM Annual Spring Conference, April 27-May 1, 2011.

Joshua Tessier, D.O., Iowa Lutheran Hospital Family Medicine Residency, presented a poster, “Analysis of Prescribing Practices and Return Clinic and Hospital Visits for Outpatient Cellulitis,” at the AAFP National Conference for Family Medicine Residents and Medical Students, July 29-31 and at the AAFP Scientific Assembly, September 29-October 2, 2010. The research was funded in part by the AAFP Foundation for Resident Research.

Karla Hirshorn, M.D., and Erika Levis, M.D., Quad Cities Genesis Family Medicine Residency, will present a poster, “Chronic Opioid Therapy Policy and Implementation Review,” at the 44th STFM Annual Spring Conference, April 27-May 1, 2011.

Satnam Singh, M.D.; Kelly Hoenig, Pharm.D; Donald Nelson, M.D.; and Anne Sullivan, M.D., Cedar Rapids Family Medicine Residency, will present a poster entitled, “Resident-Led Intervention to Improve Colorectal Cancer Screening: A Practice-based Improvement Project,” at the 44th STFM Annual Spring Conference.

**Lectures**

Carol Alexander, Associate Director, Office of Statewide Clinical Education Programs (OSCEP), UICCOM presented, “The Iowa Physician Relocation Study,” at the Iowa Recruitment and Retention Workshop sponsored by the Iowa Department of Public Health, December 1, 2010 in Des Moines.

Dan Harkness Ph.D., and Josh Rehmann, D.O., Iowa Lutheran Hospital Family Medicine Residency, will present a lecture, “Integrating a Human Sexuality Curriculum into Family Medicine Residency,” at the 44th STFM Annual Spring Conference, April 27-May 1, 2011.

Neal Sheeley, M.A., Cedar Rapids Family Medicine Residency, will present a lecture, “A Multilevel Intervention to Teach and Improve Population Health,” at the 44th STFM Annual Spring Conference, April 27-May 1, 2011.

Roger Tracy, M.A., Director, OSCEP, gave a lecture, “Iowa Physician Workforce – Supply, Retention, Demand and Perspectives on the Future,” at the Iowa Hospital Association’s Annual Meeting on October 5, 2010, in Des Moines.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 11  UI Community Teaching Scholars, Iowa City
March 16  Faculty Development Workshop, “Teaching Communication Skills in the Context of Clinical Care,” Sioux City
April 3-5  AAFP Residency Program Solutions, Kansas City
April 13  Iowa Family Medicine Residency Directors Meeting, Coralville
          UI Family Medicine Residency Network Student Interest Meeting, Coralville
          UI-Affiliated Medical Liability Insurance Oversight Committee Quarterly Meeting, Coralville
April 22  Iowa Family Medicine Residents Council Meeting, Des Moines
April 27 – May 1  44th Society for the Teachers of Family Medicine Annual Spring Conference, New Orleans
September 22-23  Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics (ALSO) Course, Iowa City

For information about events listed above, call the Office of Statewide Clinical Education Programs at (319) 335-8618, or access the UICCOM CME website: http://www.medicine.uiowa.edu/cme/webTracker/webtracker.html.