Idaho WWAMI Preceptors Honored with Awards

This spring, Drs. Kim Lynch (3rd year required surgery site coordinator) and James Branahl (4th year geriatrics elective preceptor) were respectively nominated and awarded the 2013-14 MS3 and MS4 Idaho Track Teacher of the Year Awards. Both clinical preceptors train UWSOM students at the Boise VA Medical Center, and were selected by the students for their excellence and dedication to teaching and the field of medicine.

Drs. Paula Carvalho (pulmonary and critical care elective clerkship preceptor) and James Whiteside (neurology required clerkship preceptor) were recognized by the Idaho WWAMI program with the 2013-14 Idaho Track Preceptor Appreciation Award for outstanding dedication and service to medical education in Idaho.

Idaho WWAMI Mini Medical School: October 2, 9, 16, 23, 2014


The sessions will be held from 7:00-9:15 pm, in Ada Rooms 2 & 3 of the St. Luke’s Boise Anderson Center. Registration is $30.00 for the entire four-week series, and will be available at the door. At the close of the series speaker presentations can be accessed online at:

http://www.uidaho.edu/boise/wwami/mini-medical-school/2014

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Idaho Student Highlight

Congratulations Dr. Shakira Bandolin, ACEP Outstanding Medical Student of the Year!

N. Shakira Bandolin, MD, recent Idaho WWAMI graduate, was selected by the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) as a 2014 National Outstanding Medical Student, one of five recipients nationally to receive the award. The ACEP acknowledged Shakira's demonstrated humanism, professionalism, community service, research, and publications. Dr. Bandolin graduated from UWSOM in May 2014. Idaho WWAMI is proud to have been involved in Dr. Bandolin's training, and congratulates her on her outstanding achievements!

Boise Preceptor Receives Continuous Professionalism Improvement Award

This spring, University of Washington School of Medicine announced Dr. James Branahl of the Boise VA Medical Center as recipient of the Continuous Professionalism Improvement (CPI) Award, which recognizes clinical teachers throughout the WWAMI region who students identify as models of the core UWSOM values: respect, excellence, integrity, compassion, altruism, and accountability. Dr. Branahl is one of the first preceptors to be honored with this award, which was recently established by UWSOM Dean Paul Ramsey. Dr. Branahl practices and teaches internal medicine at the Boise VA Medical Center in Boise, Idaho.

Longtime Pocatello Preceptor Receives the 2014 Ronald Lemire Pediatric WWAMI Resident Teaching Award

Dr. Lloyd Jensen, a leader at the Pocatello WWAMI teaching site for many years and past site director, received the 2014 Ronald Lemire Pediatric WWAMI Resident Teaching award at the annual pediatric WWAMI retreat. The award honors student and resident site preceptors who have distinguished themselves through their leadership and dedication to teaching.

A graduate of the University of Utah School of Medicine, Dr. Jensen completed his residency at University of Utah Department of Pediatrics, and is a board-certified pediatrician and fellow with the American Academy of Pediatrics. He served at the Pocatello Children’s Clinic for many years, providing a full spectrum of pediatric care that ranged from health supervision visits to acute and chronic illness and injuries. An Associate Clinical Professor with the University of Washington, Dr. Jensen taught both medical students and pediatric residents. He was an ISU Volunteer Clinical Associate and was involved in teaching pharmacy students, as well. Dr. Jensen was an instructor in the Neonatal Resuscitation Program, the STABLE program, Helping Babies Breathe, and Pediatric Advanced Life Support, and has taught courses in Idaho, Latin America, Africa, and Eastern Europe.

When he is not traveling, Dr. Jensen enjoys spending time with his family and taking advantage of a wide variety of outdoor activities, including backpacking, mountain biking, and skiing. He and his wife raised their four children in Pocatello, Idaho. They recently relocated to Utah, where Dr. Jensen will be working with the University of Utah School of Medicine. Idaho WWAMI would like to wish Dr. Jensen the best of luck in his future endeavors and thank him for his many years of service to UW medical students.

Idaho Legislature Expands Idaho WWAMI Class to 30

Idaho WWAMI E14 Class at UI/WSU Orientation in Moscow, Idaho, August 2014.

Rural Preceptor Frank Batcha Named 2014 Physician of the Year by the Idaho Academy of Family Physicians

In May 2014, the Idaho Academy of Family Physicians (IAFP) announced Dr. Frank Batcha as the 2014 Idaho Family Physician of the Year at the 66th Annual IAFP Conference in McCall, Idaho. A practicing physician in Hailey, Idaho, Dr. Batcha was honored for the generous contributions and dedicated service he has given to his profession, medical education, community, and country.
Idaho WWAMI Welcomes New Family Medicine Clerkship Site Director

Idaho WWAMI is pleased to announce that Dr. Tim DeBlieck has taken over as the family medicine clerkship site director for the Boise, Idaho clerkship. Dr. DeBlieck grew up in Boise, graduating from the University of Idaho in 1986 with a degree in chemistry. After graduating Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri in 1990, he completed his Family Medicine residency in 1993 at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, where he served as chief resident. Dr. DeBlieck joined the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho faculty in 1996. His curricular area is Dermatology. He and his wife, Jan, have two teenaged sons. Jan is a local dermatologist, and also teaches FMRI residents. We welcome Dr. DeBlieck on board, and look forward to working with him!

UWSOM Honors Local Preceptor with Outstanding Faculty Award

The University of Washington School of Medicine awarded Dr. Kim Stutzman the Family Medicine Clerkship Outstanding Faculty Award, presented to the top 1% of Family Medicine Clerkship faculty for demonstrating excellence and commitment to medical student training. Congratulations, Dr. Stutzman, and thank you for your wonderful service!

2014 Physician of the Year Frank Batcha, MD, with his wife Shannon, and Idaho Assistant Dean Mary Barinaga, MD.

Dr. Batcha completed his medical education at Northeastern Ohio University of Medicine, fulfilling his family medicine residency and a Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship at the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho in Boise, before establishing his practice in 1996, at the Hailey Medical Clinic in Hailey, Idaho. He served in the Idaho Army National Guard as a brigade surgeon for the 116th BVT from 2001-2009, which included a 14-month tour in Iraq.

Currently, Dr. Batcha is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine and works closely with the WWAMI program, teaching both medical students and residents. Dr. Batcha is an energetic and dedicated advocate for medical education. He serves as a preceptor for UW’s Rural Underserved Opportunities Program (RUOP), inviting medical students to join him in the summer months to experience medical practice in a small rural community. He is also the director for UW’s TRUST/WRITE site in Hailey, Idaho. One of his primary goals in teaching is to impress upon students the tremendous impact family physicians have on their communities.

Dr. Batcha’s insatiable passion for medicine is contagious and inspirational to his staff, colleagues, and students. A recent WWAMI WRITE medical student who spent eighteen weeks learning with Dr. Batcha shared this insight about the physician: “Through Dr. Batcha, I was allowed a glimpse into the privilege of having continuity and connection between patients and physicians. He showed me that being a family physician can be so much more than just being a doctor; it is about being a part of a community. It was so clear that Dr. Batcha is a vital and essential part of the Wood River Valley as reflected by his patients raving about him, in the knowledge he has about the community and the manner in which his colleagues seek his advice and counsel. Not only is he a wonderful physician, but he is also a great mentor and educator.”

Idaho WWAMI Physicians Clifford and Davis Nationally Recognized

The Idaho WWAMI Medical Education Program is fortunate to have passionate, skilled, and dedicated physicians and health professionals who assist in teaching UWSOM medical students across the state. Two of these physicians, Dr. Kevin Clifford and Dr. Keith Davis, were nationally recognized with awards in 2013. Both Dr. Clifford and Dr. Davis work tirelessly to ensure medical students receive the time, attention, and instruction that is vital on the journey to earning their medical degree.

Kevin Clifford, M.D., Saint Alphonsus palliative care physician and UWSOM required clerkship preceptor for the Chronic Care-Palliative Medicine site in Boise, Idaho, was awarded the Sojourns Award from Cambia Health Foundation in October 2013. The award honors exemplary leaders in the field of palliative care to promote their innovations and to invest in their future work. It is the only program in the country that provides recipients with an unrestricted grant to support their efforts. The Sojourns Award specifically celebrates leaders working in Idaho, Oregon, Utah, and Washington, while advancing the access, quality, and understanding of palliative care locally and nationally.
Idaho WWAMI Students Elected into Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society

The newly elected members of the University of Washington’s chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha, the national Honor Medical Society, were announced on September 9, 2014. The top 25% of each class is eligible to be considered for AOA, and the chapter can elect up to 16% of the class in total. Students are selected using a blinded process that incorporates feedback from peers, recommendations from college mentors and clerkship directors, as well as community service and scholastic achievements. Idaho WWAMI is proud to announce that the following Idaho students were elected:

- Codi Fitzgerald
- Sigrid Fostvedt

Idaho WWAMI Students Inducted into Gold Humanism Honor Society

In May 2014, the UWSOM Chapter of the Gold Humanism Honor Society inducted 37 medical students, 3 residents, and 2 faculty as new members. Among these distinguished individuals were the following Idaho WWAMI students:

- Kate Arbon
- Billy Galligar
- Benjamin Moresco

Congratulations on your achievement!

Idaho WWAMI Students Attend AAFP Conference

Keith Davis, M.D., family medicine physician at the Shoshone Family Medical Center, was named the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) 2014 Family Physician of the Year. Dr. Davis has been involved with teaching UWSOM medical students in the Rural Underserved Opportunities Program (RUOP) for over 21 years, and his passion and dedication to medicine and teaching makes him a truly deserving recipient of this award.

Idaho WWAMI would like to thank both physicians for their continued, committed efforts in educating the next generation of physicians, and we congratulate you on these outstanding achievements!

2014 Idaho WWAMI Alumni Award for Excellence in Mentoring, Teaching, Leadership, and Patient Care

This year’s Idaho WWAMI Alumni Award for Excellence in Mentoring, Teaching, Leadership and Patient Care was presented to Dr. Ted Epperly, an E-76 Idaho WWAMI graduate and resident of Boise, Idaho.

Dr. Epperly was born in Nampa, Idaho, the eldest of five children. His desire to become a physician was ignited with his sister’s death when he was fifteen years old. He graduated from Utah State University, magna cum laude, and earned his medical degree from the University of Washington School of Medicine as part of the E-76 Idaho WWAMI class. Dr. Epperly completed his family medicine residency training at Madigan Army Medical Center in Fort Lewis, Washington, where he served as chief resident. He then completed a family medicine faculty development fellowship at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He holds certifications with both the American Board of Family Medicine and the American Board of Geriatrics.

Throughout his career, Dr. Epperly has been extremely active in leadership, patient care, and education. He served in the U.S. Army for several years, retiring as a colonel in 2001. During his service, he taught both medical students and residents. He has held all of the elected positions in the Uniformed Services Academy of Family Physicians, including president. Dr. Epperly moved back to Idaho in 2001, assuming the directorship of the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho, where he now serves as president and CEO. He is also a clinical professor of family medicine with UWSOM.

Dr. Epperly is a respected leader in healthcare, both locally and nationally. He served as the president of the American Academy of Family Physicians, which represents the nation’s 103,000 family physicians, and he is the current co-chair of the national organization Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative Center on Accountable Care. His book, *Fractured: America’s Broken Health Care System and What We Must Do to Heal It*, was published in 2012. Dr. Epperly and his wife, Lindy, have two sons and reside in Boise, Idaho.
WWAMI in the Community: Students Present at Local Schools for Tar Wars

This past year, Dr. Barinaga and a group of Idaho Track students, including Jaclyn Cooperrider, Michelle Christopher, Kaitlin Burke, Davin Lakj, Ignacio Morales Carillo, Lisa Sanders, Alex Tanabe, and Karissa Keenan, spoke at five Treasure Valley elementary schools on the health effects of smoking on behalf of the Tar Wars program. Founded in 1988, and organized by the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), Tar Wars is a national tobacco-free education program for 4th and 5th grade students. The program is designed to teach kids about the short-term, image-based consequences of tobacco use, the cost associated with using tobacco products, and the advertising techniques used by the tobacco industry to market their products to youth.

Student-run Friendship Clinic Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

The Friendship Clinic in Boise, Idaho, is celebrating ten years of providing free health care for the uninsured and underinsured. Founded in 2004, the clinic is primarily staffed with Idaho WWAMI third- and fourth-year medical students, as well as volunteer doctors, nurses, and other health professionals from around the Boise area. The Friendship Clinic also partners with St. Luke’s Health System and Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center to process blood work, X-rays, and diagnostic mammograms free of charge. A tenth anniversary celebration will take place on October 11, 2014, 5:30 pm, at The Riverside Hotel in Boise. Call (208) 890-2083 for details. For more information on the Friendship Clinic, please visit http://www.idahostatesman.com/2014/09/16/3377378/friendship-clinic-marks-10-year.html.

WWAMI Medical Education Program Links

Idaho WWAMI Program Links
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http://www.uidaho.edu/boise/wwami

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RUOP (Rural Underserved Opportunities Program) Update 2014: Successful Summer Service Completed

The Idaho WWAMI Medical Education Program would like to thank all of the Idaho physicians who volunteered their time this summer to teach our students during their Rural Underserved Opportunities Program. This program would not be possible without the support and commitment provided by these physicians and communities throughout the State.

University of Washington School of Medicine
Idaho Rural Underserved Opportunities Program (RUOP)
Summer Placements, 2014

Thank you for reading The WWAMI Messenger
Please send updates, questions or comments to idwwami@uw.edu.
2014 Idaho WWAMI Graduating Physicians

Idaho WWAMI is proud to announce our twenty-one graduates who were recognized at the University of Washington School of Medicine commencement ceremony in May 2014. Graduating students proceed into the residency training phase of their medical careers, which can range from three additional years of training (family medicine, general internal medicine and pediatrics) to up to seven additional years for other specialties. Our 2014 graduates and their specialty choices are shown below. We would like to congratulate these outstanding individuals on their achievements, and wish them well in their future endeavors!

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Pre-Med Summit May 2014 a Huge Success

Idaho WWAMI’s biennial Pre-Med Summit took place on May 31, 2014, at the University of Idaho Water Center in Boise, Idaho, drawing 49 pre-medical students and four pre-med advisors from colleges and universities across the state. The Summit offered workshops, mock interviews, and presentations detailing the medical school application process, as well as how to create the most competitive application. We appreciate the speakers, medical student panelists, and volunteers whose dedicated time and effort ensured the success of this year’s Pre-Med Summit. Planning is underway for the 2016 Pre-Med Summit. Please find speaker bios and presentations from this year’s Pre-Med Summit at the following link: http://www.uidaho.edu/boise/wwami/pre-med-summit

Thank you to all of our 2014 Pre-Med sponsors!