Happy Summer!!

Second edition of the Department Newsletter. We are also looking for ideas or suggestions on how we can make this newsletter more informative to you as members of the department. Please send in any of your suggestions to Melissa and Kamille.

**NEWS**

**Family Medicine Clerkship**
Rotation 1 began on July 3rd with 12 students. We have had the Orientation and Access to Care/High Risk Populations video conferences. The Family Connection will be held on August 15th, 2017. Rotation 2 will begin on August 28th.

**ROME**
ROME students started in Ortonville, Dickinson and Hettinger on July 3rd they will be finishing up on December 15th.

**AWARDS/HONORS:**

Dr. Beal was appointed by the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) Board of Directors to a two-year term on the STFM Research Committee. His termed stated after the STFM’s 50th Annual Meeting in San Diego.

The Research Committee reviews research papers submitted for the annual spring conference and promotes the continued development of researchers, research activities, and research support for family medicine.

Dr. Johnson earned American Lung Association of North Dakota’s Lifetime Achievement Award. The award recognizes an “individual whose dedication and partnership throughout the years has made a substantial impact on lung health issues,” the Association said in announcing the award.

**SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY:**

**Publications:**


**Presentations:**


Johnson E. “Intensifying Medications in Type 2 Diabetes”. American Diabetes Association Diabetes is Primary, San Diego, CA June 9, 2017.

Johnson E. “Tools and Resources to Promote Self Management” South Dakota Medical Foundation (Webex-Sioux Falls, SD May 9, 2017

**OTHER NEWS:**

Dr. Rob Kemp from Williston received a “Dean’s Special Recognition Award for Outstanding Volunteer Teaching” at the 2017 medical school graduation ceremony. Dr. Kemp was nominated by Kamille Sherman, MD, Assistant Professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine. Dr. Kemp has served as a ROME Instructor in Williston for about 15 years and was a “Phase 5” instructor when Kamille Bachmeier, MD ’99, was a student in Williston. Dr. Kemp continues to teach medical students intermittently.

Kamille Sherman spent a couple hours discussing medical training and her career in Family Medicine with students in the “Health Careers” classes at Dickinson High School on May 16th. Questions ranged from how to prepare for medical school to “What is the craziest thing you have experienced in your career?”

Dr. David Schmitz (President, NRHA), and John Wynn-Jones (Chair, Rural WONCA). Dr. Wynn –Jones, the invited Terry Reilly Memorial Lecturer and Chair of the Working Party on Rural Practice, WONCA spoke to the issues of delivering rural care to people world-wide and students being the future of our efforts.
Dr. Johnson presented twice at the Annual ADA Conference in June “Intensification of Management of Type 2 Diabetes” and “Through the Rugby telemedicine certified Diabetes Educator (CDE) service, patients showed a lowering of A1C’s by close to 1%, and reported high satisfaction. Dr. Johnson will be presenting this also at the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) in August. (If you would like to see this poster please let me know and I can forward you a copy)

Drs. Sherman and Delage presented at Dakota Conference “preconference discussion” in Minot in June. This presentation focused on ways rural communities can attract medical students to practice there. Networking with colleagues, including discussions with Stacy Kusler of the Center for Rural Health on ways to connect students with rural opportunities, was a highlight of the meeting for Drs. Sherman and Delage. Dr. David Schmitz (not pictures was a co-presenter for this session.

Dr. Eric Johnson presented on ISCLE at the Dakota Conference in Minot. Co-presenter was Terri Undem from NDSU College of Pharmacy. Interprofessional education is the goal of this activity.

Jack Stacy MSI, and Dr. David Schmitz, NRHA President, 2017 Annual Conference
Thanks to the NDRHA for sponsoring Jack to attend the National Rural Health Association’s annual meeting held in San Diego, CA. Jack was also able to participate in the NRHA’s student track and continue UND SMHS connections to both NRHA and Rural WONCA. NDRHA has supported students a total of 3 years to attend NRHA and take part in the Student Track portion of the conference.