

Family Medicine Updates



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ACADEMIC FAMILY MEDICINE CHAIRS

Family medicine departments continue to grow and develop. According to an Association of American Medical Colleges database (available online at <http://www.aamc.org/data/msps/start.htm>), family medicine departments now average more than 35 faculty, and 24 departments have 50 or more faculty. While federally funded research was uncommon a decade ago, 19 departments now report more than \$1 million in externally funded research. Departments are financially stronger, too. Only one third had reserve funds in 1996, but roughly one half do now, and the average amount of reserve funds has doubled. Bigger, stronger,

and more research oriented – these are not the departments of 10 years ago.

Bigger departments are also more challenging to operate and lead. Training programs have developed at a number of institutions and organizations, which help provide the skills needed to lead these complex organizations. Ensuring a steady stream of prepared chair candidates is essential to the continued growth and development of the discipline. Family physicians interested in the challenges and joys of leading an academic department are encouraged to talk with a local chair about the availability and suitability of the various training opportunities.

We recognize below the Chairs of new large regional medical center and osteopathic departments who have recently joined ADFM, as well as new Chairs and Interim Chairs of departments who are not new to the ADFM but who have moved into new positions.

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Academic Family Medicine Chairs – New Departments and New Appointments

ALABAMA

University of Alabama, Huntsville
Marcia Chesebro, MD

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
William Owings, MD (interim)

University of South Alabama
R. Allen Perkins, MD, MPH
(interim)

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Howard University
Charles Mouton, MD

DELAWARE

Christiana Care (Medical Center
of Delaware)
Janice Nevin, MD, MPH

FLORIDA

Florida State University
Daniel Van Durme, MD

ILLINOIS

Northwestern University
Mitchell King, MD (interim)

Hospital of Cook County
John Stroger, Jr
Carolyn Lopez, MD

IOWA

University of Iowa
Paul James, MD

MARYLAND

University of Maryland
David Stewart, MD, MPH

MISSOURI

Kansas City University for
Medicine and the Biosciences
Lori Boyajian-O'Neill, DO

Kirkville College of Osteopathic
Medicine
Margaret Wilson, DO

NEVADA

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Thomas J. Hunt, MD (interim)

NEW JERSEY

UMDNJ School of Osteopathic
Medicine
Carman Ciervo, DO

UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson
Medical School
Alfred Tallia, MD, MPH (interim)

NEW YORK

State University of New York,
Upstate
John Smucny, MD (interim)

Albany Medical College
Neil Mitnick, DO (interim)

Mt. Sinai School of Medicine
Jenny Walker, MD (interim)

NORTH CAROLINA

East Carolina University
Mark Darrow, MD (interim)

Carolinas Medical Center
Mary Hall, MD

OHIO

Cleveland Clinic Lerner College
of Medicine
Vance Brown, MD

PENNSYLVANIA

Drexel University
Eugene Hong, MD (interim)

PUERTO RICO

Ponce School of Medicine
Marta Febo, MD, PSM

TENNESSEE

Meharry Medical College
Roger Zoorob, MD, MPH

University of Tennessee-
Chattanooga
J. Mack Worthington, MD

TEXAS

Texas A&M University
Glen Couchman, MD

University of North Texas HSC
Elizabeth Palmarozzi, DO

Texas Tech University – Amarillo
Rodney Young, MD

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia University
James Arbogast, MD (interim)