August Updates from Program Director

- Early reports suggest that the ACGME CLER visit was a success. Thank you to our resident representatives; Mailee Hess, Renna Short, Joel Jorgenson, Joey Roberts, Erik Bartholomew, Joe Peila and Jordan Harrison, and to everyone that interacted with the visitors during their tours.

- Grand Rounds is back, with a new and improved format. Objectives will be distributed in advance of each talk and the talks will be shorter to facilitate better discussion among the speaker, residents and faculty. Faculty and residents will need to sign in each week, and we’ll expect you to attend at least 70% of eligible times based on your schedules.

- Back by Popular Demand! Starting in September, there will be Coffee at WES in room RC2 3109. Interns are welcome to stop by and pick up a cup.

- There will also be more lunches at UCH report starting next week, thanks for your excellent attendance and participation.

- Program planning – we will be focusing on the following areas during this year and next:
  - Refining our WES curriculum
  - Optimizing the 4 plus 1 schedules
  - Improving UCH clinical experiences

- Good news - lots of R3’s are going on fellowship interviews! Thanks to all for your willingness to help each other and cover services when needed.

- The Improving Value, Reducing Harm: Right Care Alliance Conference in partnership with University of Colorado Department of Medicine and Lown Institute will take place on Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 7:30 AM - 5 PM. Registration is free for internal medicine housestaff of the University of Colorado. The discount code is LOWN1921 (it's case sensitive). We are excited to have two of our residents presenting, Becky Burk and Jessica Thibault. Brandon Combs at Brandon.combs@ucdenver.edu can answer any questions. Register at https://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/51081/p/salsa/event/common/public/?event_KEY=1167

- Congrats to Ken Hung, 1st quarter winner of the Do No Harm Project for his case “LESS IS MORE Dual Therapy Difficulties in Angiotensin Blockade for Proteinuria: A Teachable Moment”
And to Allison Wolfe and Mim Ari for their manuscript published in JAMA Internal Medicine this week; “Patent Foramen Ovale and Stroke Prevention—To Close or Not to Close: A Teachable Moment”

If any of you have recent publications or if something gets accepted later this year, please let me know so I can include the citations in future updates.

Faculty member Danielle Loeb, and her colleague Aaron Snyder are offering free meditation classes. Dr. Snyder is working on a series of classes that will help prevent burnout in healthcare providers/employees. The Content is: Being Open Hearted, with the intent of Mindfulness Training to increase our empathy and connection with people- strengthening innate human capacities of presence, confidence and openness. Classes will be on Wednesdays starting September 10th from 5-6pm for 10 weeks in the AOP Room 2005 or 2006. If you're interested and your schedule will permit attendance at most of the sessions (drop in attendance will not work), email Danielle at danielle.loeb@ucdenver.edu. Space is limited.

The next edition of Campus Confidential is coming soon.

For something completely different, do try Happy Leaf Kombucha, it’s delicious (so much better that any other brand I’ve tried to choke down). Don’t watch The Leftovers on HBO......

Thanks,
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