A Message from your DIO

As Spring has arrived, we continue to have many things to celebrate. First and foremost, congratulations to ALL of our outstanding Program Directors and Program Administrators for their hard work and dedication. ALL our training programs are citation free - your hard work and dedication does not go unnoticed!

We continue to recognize our RESIDENT OF THE MONTH and encourage nominations. Nominations can be submitted via this link: Resident/Fellow of the Month Nomination

Congratulations to Dr. Amiri, Dr. Denning, and Dr. Cisco-Goff on the monumental achievement of receiving accreditation of the first training program in the country under ACGME rural designation, and to achieve this accreditation for surgery is an even greater honor! We welcome Mr. Anthony Drumm as the Program Administrator who will be integral to successfully launching the first residency class in July of 2023. Finally, I would like to thank Ms. JoAnn Raines in our GME office who has worked tirelessly on both the HRSA grant that allowed this to come to fruition as well as the Program Application.

Many thanks to Mountain Health Network for their continued support of Graduate Medical Education! We will be starting the new academic year with stipend increases of three thousand dollars across all Post-Graduate Levels!

Our fellowships continue to grow. We will have our first Neonatal-Perinatal Fellow starting July 1!

Please encourage all residents to participate in our wellness lunches.

Congratulations to Orthopaedic Surgery & Cardiology for their successful increases in complement.

We are looking forward to welcoming all our new trainees starting in July.

Beth Ann Howard has returned after the arrival of her beautiful daughter MaryLynn and we are happy to have her back to assist you!

Thanks to everyone in the GME world for helping train our future physicians - it takes an army.

-Dr. Paulette Wehner

Trainee Assistance Program (TAP)

The department offers a free service to all trainees to help deal with life's difficult circumstances. The TAP offers short term, solution focused counseling to assist each trainee. For more information please contact the TAP Coordinator at 304.526.1357.

Program Administrator Spotlight

"I began my career in the Surgery Department as Dr. David Denning’s assistant in November of 2003. While I was in that position, I worked with Julie Merritt, the program coordinator and when she left to run her business, I moved over to the coordinator position. Although it was a rocky start because I knew nothing about being a coordinator, I have loved it. It has been the most rewarding career and I have made the best friends and seen so many young residents train and learn and mature into great surgeons."

"The best part for me is that I still get phone calls and texts from past residents. My husband Tim and I and our puppy Cooper have bought a house in Florida and will be leaving the area after I retire. We are really looking forward to the sunshine! I want to say to all my coordinator friends and all of the people I have worked with over the years thanks for the support and friendship. There has been a lot of tears and laughter. I especially want to say thanks to Dr. Wehner and the GME staff for the support over the years."

Donna Webb
Surgery Program Administrator

Important Dates

Open Enrollment
May 3 — 31, 2022

Resident Advisory Council
May 20, 2022 @ 12 pm
Harless Auditorium

Quality and Safety Summit
Submission Deadline
May 24, 2022

Quality and Safety Summit Awards
June 10, 2022
Harless Auditorium

New Resident Orientation
June 20, 2022

ACGME Milestones
Deadline: June 24, 2022

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Welcome to the Marshall Family!

Anthony Drumm
Rural Surgery Program Administrator
Rural Surgery Program Accreditation

Congratulations to Dr. Farzad Amiri, Program Director and Dr. Jodi Cisco-Goff, Associate Program Director for receiving Initial Accreditation for the nation’s first—and only—officially designated rural residency training track program that is separately accredited!

The new rural residents will complete at least fifty percent of their training at Logan Regional Medical Center (LRMC) with Dr. Cisco-Goff and Dr. James Paugh with the remaining time in Huntington and a transplant month in Lexington, Kentucky. The program is sponsored by the Marshall Community Health Consortium.

The residency will welcome its first trainees in July 2023. Anthony Drumm is the Program Administrator and Tammy Motes of Marshall Surgery in Logan is the Assistant Program Administrator.

New Innovations Tips and Tricks

Did you know that you can track your graduates’ board certification results in New Innovations?

Click on Board Certifications in the resident’s New Innovations personnel record to enter the information.

You can also track ACGME Resident & Faculty survey data in New Innovations. Amanda will be uploading these for each program in the coming weeks.

Diversity & Inclusion

The Office of GME views diversity as a strength and is committed to creating a training experience to improve care and reduce inequities in the communities we serve. We work closely with the Office of Diversity & Inclusion to recruit, educate, and retain a diverse physician workforce to care for all patient populations. For more information, please contact Dr. Shelvy Campbell-Monroe—campbels@marshall.edu

Rec Center enrollment is required every year. Membership begins on July 1 and ends September 30. Enrollment forms will be emailed to you as well as available in the Resident Wellness Center lounge. Once completed, they should be emailed to Beth Ann Howard. You will need to include your 901 number on the form which will be provided by your Program Administrator.

The fees are paid by the Office of GME for our residents and fellows only. Should you wish to enroll any of your family members, you would need to make those arrangements and provide payment directly to the Rec Center. Family member fees are not paid by the Office of GME.

Call for Proposals
Deadline: July 8

Tri-State Conference on Diversity & Inclusion
September 22, 2022 @ Marshall University

If you would like to share any information, recently published articles or abstracts in this newsletter, please email them to GME@marshall.edu
Did you know GME has their very own IT support staff?

Jason Scott is located in the GME building MWF 8-4:30. If you need IT assistance, Jason is happy to help!

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Mission Statement

The mission of Graduate Medical Education at Marshall University School of Medicine is to oversee high quality accredited training programs that produce professional and competent physicians to engage in autonomous practice, communicate effectively and are prepared to adapt to the future evolution in healthcare upon completion of the program. We encourage graduate retention with the educational focus on the unique patient population in the Appalachian region. The Sponsoring Institution promotes professional development in teaching, life-long learning, and well-being throughout the entire graduate medical education community. To support our mission, we cultivate a diverse and inclusive academic and clinical learning environment.

Patient Safety Quality Improvement Summit

The 9th Annual Quality and Safety Summit will be in a virtual format for 2022.

Submissions will be accepted through May 24, 2022. The posters will be released for viewing on May 31, 2022.

The Annual Quality & Safety Summit is jointly sponsored by Cabell Huntington Hospital and the Office of Graduate Medical Education to foster interprofessional collaboration and communication. Presentations of projects include hospital employees, attendings, resident/fellows and medical students.

Many multi-year, multi-disciplinary projects have resulted in improvements in patient safety and quality.

Annual awards are:

- CHH Outstanding Quality Improvement (QI) Award CHH Outstanding Patient Safety Award
- CMO’s Outstanding Interdisciplinary Team Project Vice Dean’s Award for Best Integrated/Sustainable QI Project
- Outstanding Resident Patient Safety Award
- Outstanding Resident QI Award
- Outstanding Medical Student Patient Safety Award
- Outstanding Medical Student QI Award
- Frank D. Shuler MD, PhD, Program Award (Award for the residency/fellowship program with most QI/PS Poster presentations)

Meet your new Chief Residents!

Internal Medicine
- Abraham Titus
- Saba Altarawneh

Family Medicine
- William Freeman
- Zachary Johnson

Neurology
- Lindsay Robinson
- Chris Burrell

Pediatrics
- Ashley Roybal

Med/Peds
- Kristie Burks
- Aaron Whiteman

Psychiatry
- Brady Kullen
- Angie Thorp

Orthopaedic Surgery
- Tyag Patel
- William Fravel
- Ali Adil

OB/GYN
- Adam Young
- Chelsea Nelson
- Jordan Needens

Surgery
- Emily Vore
- Nathan Cockerill
- Brandon Harris
- Andrew Feyh
Resident Wellness and Well-being

Wellness luncheons are getting back on track to pre-covid status. These were hosted in January and April in the GME Wellness Center as well as delivered to SMMC and Hershel Woody Williams VA Medical Center to trainees on those rotations.

Items are being stocked in the GME wellness lounge and the canteen at CHH, please contact me via Doc Halo if you have any suggestion regarding wellness offerings.

Massages will resume in May—two times monthly—and will be by scheduled appointments. Please contact me for information on scheduling those appointments.

Lisa Milstead—304.691.6385 or Doc Halo.

Thank you for all you do!

Feeling Stressed?

Residents and Fellows can schedule a 15 minute massage with Stacey Ellis at the GME/Resident Wellness Center!

June 7th 11-1:30 & June 15th 1-1:30

To schedule an appointment, please contact Lisa Milstead.

Meet Your New Resident Advisory Council Chair

Lindsay Robinson, MD
PGY-4 Neurology Resident

Resident Forum

Jurassic World: Dominion

June 18th @ 6pm

Cinemark at the Huntington Mall

Tickets are first come first serve! Get your ticket at the GME office!

GME hosted an Ice Cream Social on April 26, 2022.

Residents were provided lunch from Jersey Mike’s and ice cream from Austin’s Ice cream!
Program Retreats and Activities