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Dr. Colleen Fogarty Selected to Chair Department of Family Medicine

Colleen T. Fogarty, MD, MSc, FAAFP, has been selected as William Rocktaschel Professor and Chair of the University of Rochester Medical Center's Department of Family Medicine, pending approval by the Office of the Provost. As of July 1, Dr. Fogarty will be the first woman to chair the department, succeeding Thomas L. Campbell, MD, who chose to step down after serving 16 years as chair.

Dr. Fogarty, currently associate professor of Family Medicine, has served as associate chair of Clinical Practice and Interprofessional Education, medical director at Highland Family Medicine, and during her tenure on University of Rochester faculty has served as assistant residency director and as director of the Faculty Development Fellowship. Under her leadership the department was recognized nationally for linking health professions, education, and interprofessional practice to transform care delivery, improve health outcomes, and decrease costs. Dr. Fogarty also developed and runs the Finger Lakes Primary Care Practice Transformation Fellowship, a HRSA-funded mini-fellowship program to train community primary care clinicians in transforming their practices to prepare for value-based reimbursement systems.

"I am delighted that Colleen Fogarty has been appointed the next chair of Family Medicine," said Dr. Campbell. "She is an outstanding leader who will bring new energy and innovative ideas to the department. I am very pleased to have her succeed me in this role."

The department and its Family Medicine Residency program recently celebrated its 50th anniversary.



Key to the program's success have been a longstanding focus on a biopsychosocial approach to health care, as well as the recent primary care practice transformation at Highland Family Medicine. This transformation includes training for team-based care for Family Medicine residents and other health and mental health professionals, and a research program that focuses on health disparities and physician-patient communication.

"Our Family Medicine program is one of the most highly regarded in the nation," said Jeffrey Lyness, MD, senior associate dean for Academic Affairs, who led the national search for Dr. Campbell's successor. "Dr. Fogarty has outstanding leadership skills, has excelled in education, scholarship, and patient care, and possesses the keen vision to take us into the future."

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Dr. Tom Campbell and his successor, Dr. Colleen Fogarty.



Thoughts
FROM THE CHAIR

It is hard to believe that it has been 16 years since I became chair of the Department of Family Medicine. I am so proud and grateful to have led such a talented group of faculty, residents, fellows, and staff. I am very impressed by all that our department has accomplished during this time.

Our FM residency continues to excel with one of the best matches ever last year. We were one of 13 FM residency programs chosen to participate in the national Preparing Personal Physicians to Practice (P4) initiative. Under the leadership of Doug Stockman, MD, and Barbara Gawinski, PhD, our global health program continues to help improve the health of villagers in Western Honduras and teaches our FM residents the importance of the social determinants of health. We have graduated five Nurse Practitioner residents, most of whom have decided to remain and work at Highland Family Medicine. Recently our NP residency was accredited by the National Nurse Practitioner Residency and Fellowship Consortium (NNPRFTC) and received their highest praises.

I am particularly proud of all the work that members of our Department are doing to address the opioid crisis, including a robust suboxone program along with a regional suboxone training program, an active Controlled Substance Safety Committee, universal substance abuse screening and an onsite Certified Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC). Our research program under the leadership of Ron Epstein, MD, and Kevin Fiscella, MD, continues to conduct innovative research on health care communication, mindfulness, health care disparities, population health, and deaf health.

I wish to thank all the faculty members whom I have had the pleasure to work with and in particular those who have helped and supported me on a daily basis including Susan McDaniel, PhD, vice chair; Colleen Fogarty, MD, associate chair of Clinical Practice and Interprofessional Education, medical director at Highland Family Medicine; Steve Schultz, MD, residency director; Jamie Bishop, our previous administrator; Brenda Fitzsimons, our current administrator, and my administrative assistant Sandie McClure-Howe. I could not have survived the job without their support.

I am so pleased and excited that Colleen Fogarty, MD, will be the next chair of our Department. As a graduate of our residency and a longtime leader in the department, she has an in-depth understanding of the Department, our strengths and opportunities for growth. She brings many new ideas and energy to the position. I'm confident that the Department will thrive under her leadership.

Meanwhile, I am looking forward to taking a one-year sabbatical during which I will return to my academic work on families and health and take some personal time for renewal. I look forward to returning to the Department and my clinical practice in July 2020. I plan to resume teaching, something that I have had little time to do over the past decade. Thank you.

Thomas L. Campbell, MD (1982), William Rocktaschel Professor and Chair, Department of Family Medicine

Highland Physicians Lead Initiatives in Opioid Use Disorder

Highland Family Medicine (HFM) physicians Elizabeth Loomis, MD, and Holly Russell, MD, have committed themselves to efforts to help those addicted to opioids since their first experiences with patients during residency. Dr. Russell serves on the Monroe County Opioid Task Force and co-directs the HFM buprenorphine program with Dr. Loomis. Working collaboratively with physicians and other health care providers, community leaders, community organizations, and funders, they have spearheaded several initiatives including:

- **Bridge Program with Highland Emergency Department:** Patients who present at the Highland Hospital ED with opioid use disorder can begin buprenorphine on the spot. The ED's program includes an on-call system with HFM clinicians, who are able to order a three-to-five day prescription for patients and arrange appointments for them with a HFM clinician within that window. Appropriate patients are started on buprenorphine in the ED and then HFM providers can continue treatment until patients who need extensive treatment can access a chemical dependency program.
- **Suboxone Clinics at Highland Family Medicine:** There are three dedicated suboxone clinics at HFM with six clinicians who run the sessions and an additional eight clinicians who see primary care patients for suboxone in their practices.
- **Provider Office Training:** Dr. Russell, Dr. Loomis, and Kristin Smith, DNP, conduct buprenorphine trainings in the community and have trained more than 100 people in physician offices last year. Eight hours of training are required in order to be licensed to prescribe. Grant funding is used for trainings and to provide ongoing technical assistance. The onsite training also involves a Credentialed Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Counselor (CASAC) and is provided free of charge.
- **Education:** All HFM residents get buprenorphine (suboxone) waiver training and rotate in the Highland suboxone clinic. There is also an elective for extra experience offered. Dr. Russell is in the process of redesigning the curriculum for the second year medical students around safe opioid prescribing and treating opioid use disorder.
- **Research:** Dr. Russell and Dr. Loomis are conducting research about the ED bridge program and studying providers' knowledge and attitudes before and after the trainings.
- **Program Expansion:** Specialty based trainings in opioid use disorder and buprenorphine (suboxone) prescribing are underway to focus on issues important to physicians and their patients. OB/GYN staff and residents were offered training in February. Training will also be offered to Geriatric providers and expanded to other specialties and other counties in the UR Medicine health care system.

"In the future we hope to make these trainings sustainable outside of grant funding," said Dr. Russell. "We need to keep training physicians and residents so they feel comfortable with the process and can hold trainings of their own. We need to stay vigilant on this issue."



Holly Russell, MD



Elizabeth Loomis, MD

A Strong and Unique Global Health Program

By Doug Stockman, MD

We are often asked: "How does the University of Rochester Department of Family Medicine Global Health Program differ from most other residency and medical school associated global health programs?"

The answer is multi-pronged. Given the robust interest in global health among medical students and residents, many schools and departments have added a global health component to their program. The one common theme we hear from residency applicants that separates our program from others is its longitudinal nature.

A Long Term Commitment

We have been working in the same community since 2005. We continue to partner with these original communities and have expanded our interventions to other outlying villages. From even before our Community Partnership was finalized, we have focused on correcting the contributors to ill health. We firmly believe that unless we help these communities fix the root causes of ill health, we have really not furthered the goal of health for all.

Our community interventions started with listening to the concerns of the community members. We asked what problems resulted in the biggest barriers to improved health and happiness. We realize these villagers know their problems much better than we ever will. Many times they also know of reasonable solutions, but just lack some basic skills or

resources needed to create successful interventions.

Collaboration is Key

All of our current interventions have been created through this community member-department member collaboration. Over time, we have seen the benefit for the local people from this partnership. The micro-environment in and around the home has been improved by the building of redesigned cook stoves and latrines. Access to safe potable water is now a reality through piped water projects, water filters, and kitchen pilas (sink-water storage-counter). Improvements in food variety and availability were achieved by creating fish farms and supporting various agricultural projects.

A micro-loan program improved people's business understanding and allowed loan recipients to expand their home businesses. The most long term intervention with delayed improvements is that of education. We have enabled 114 students to attend school beyond Sixth grade. The Unitarian Church runs this program in collaboration with the local people and the Department. We are seeing the benefits of the Program with young students growing into employed community leaders.



Drs. Patrick Kelly and Caroline Donohue with interpreter Melissa.

Although challenges remain to ensuring the efficacy of our interventions, the end result has been stronger communities and healthier community members. Our residents benefit from learning community interventions by doing. They then carry their new knowledge to other communities in every corner of our world after graduation. We look forward to many more years of helping our fellow humans in Honduras achieve health and happiness.



Coffee farm visit - Dr. Sophina Calderon, residency graduate

Highland Family Medicine Nurse Practitioner Program Receives Programmatic Accreditation

The National Nurse Practitioner Residency and Fellowship Consortium (NNPRFC) recently announced the initial accreditation of the Highland Family Medicine's (HFM) Nurse Practitioner Residency Program. NNPRFC's Accreditation Commission's initial programmatic accreditation is for three years. The current trainees will be considered to have completed an accredited program.

The HFM Nurse Practitioner Residency Program was created in 2016, training two nurse practitioner residents per year. HFM

is accredited through Joint Commission and certified through NCQA as a level 3 Patient Centered Medical Home, while also receiving a level 3 ACGME accreditation and now, accreditation from the NNPRFC Accreditation Commission. About 75% of its graduates continue to work within the system, with 100% of graduates staying in primary care. The program receives funding from the HRSA Primary Care Training and Enhancement grant shared with the University of Rochester School of Nursing, with coverage from 2016 through 2020.

The program is clearly poised to meet a need for expert primary care providers in an area that includes both urban and rural under-served populations. Kristin E. Smith, DNP, FNP-c, AAHIVS, serves as Program Director.



Kristin E. Smith, DNP, FNP-c, AAHIVS, Program Director, Nurse Practitioner Residency Program

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

The University of Rochester/Highland Hospital Department of Family Medicine recently celebrated a 50-year anniversary. The Department is one of the oldest and most prestigious in the country, with a nationally recognized residency program. More than 150 alumni attended a reunion celebration October 12-14, which featured presentations by alumni and former and current faculty members on health care issues of today, as well as social events.



Front Row: Dr. Pam Olsen, Gilliam Johnston, and Dr. Cathy Morrow
Back Row: Drs. Deb Gould, Gaylinn Greenwood, Dave Evelyn, Alan Lorenz, and Tillman Farley



Drs. Tillman Farley, Tziporah Rosenberg, Susan McDaniel, Dave Seaburn, Cleve Shields, Tom Campbell, Steve Schultz, and Norman Wetterau



Dr. Karolina Lis-Hyjek, Dr. Navi Pannu, Dr. Amanda Pannu, Dr. Annie Jack and Mike Hayes



Front row: Dr. Jeff Harp, Dr. Elizabeth deSchweinitz, Ellen Harp and Bruce Roberts.
Back row: Dr. Osman Sanyer, Dr. Eve Shapiro, Dr. Paul Gordon, Dr. Margaret Donahue, Gary Burke, and Dr. Gaylinn Greenwood



Congratulations Class of 2019

Left to right: Zoe Kostarellis, MD; Sonya Narla, DO; Iza Subczynska, MD; Dave Holub, MD, Associate Residency Director; Amanda Morrison, MD; Chanh Huynh, MD; Lauren Hobbs, MD; Scott Biehl, DO; Janeta Szczepanik, MD; Tyler Batey, MD; Yuan Yao, MD; Steve Schultz, MD, Residency Director, and Rashida Mengi, MD.

Juliana Berenyi, DO, and Jocelyn Young, DO, served as chief residents.

Honoring Dr. Tom Campbell

Colleagues and community members honored Thomas L. Campbell, MD, for 16 years of service as William Rocktaschel Professor and Chair of the University of Rochester Medical Center's Department of Family Medicine. Dr. Campbell plans to take a one year sabbatical during which he will return to academic work on families and health and plans to resume practice and teaching in 2020.



Dr. Tom Campbell and his wife, Kathy Cole-Kelly, are surrounded by friends and colleagues as he is honored for his years as department chair



Brenda Fitzsimons, Jamie Bishop, Kathy Cole-Kelly, Dr. Campbell and Dr. Pebble Krantz listen to speakers who reminisced about working with Dr. Campbell.



Cindy Becker, Dr. Colleen Fogarty and Steve Goldstein enjoy the event.



Dr. Campbell thanks all who joined in celebration.



Dr. Elizabeth R. McAnarney and Steve Goldstein congratulate Dr. Campbell.



Kevin Fiscella, M.D., Colleen Fogarty, M.D. and Sally Rousseau enjoy the speeches



Dr. Susan McDaniel spoke about Dr. Campbell's dedication.

Alumni Spotlight: Robert Lawrence Williams, MD, MPH '80



"I chose Family Medicine as the field best able to provide the relationship-based comprehensive and continuous care that many people most value in their physician," said Robert L. Williams, MD '80.

Dr. Williams has been a beacon of that care in each step of his 40 year career in Family Medicine which includes his current appointment as Distinguished Professor in Family Medicine at the University of New Mexico as well appointments at Case Western Reserve University, the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, a stint in the Peace Corps, and other key roles.

The Albuquerque resident earned his bachelor's degree in psychology at the University of Texas, Austin, and his medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine before completing his residency at the University of Rochester Family Medicine Residency Program. He went on to earn a Master's in Public Health from Harvard School of Public Health.

Dr. Williams is the recipient of many awards including: Fulbright Senior Scholar Award. Lecturing and Research on Community Based Primary Health Care, University of Natal, Durban, South Africa; Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Generalist Physician Faculty Scholar Award and the Indian Health Service's Outstanding Clinician selected by the National Council of Clinical Directors of the Indian Health Service.

He also serves as a Reviewer for multiple professional publications including: *Medical Care American Journal of Preventive Medicine, Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved, Health Services Research* and *Academic Medicine* and he served as Associate Editor of *Annals of Family Medicine* for seven years.

Dr. Williams has special memories of the family medicine residency program. "My best memories of UR Family Medicine are of the people there," he said. "Good people, committed people, and many of the leading thinkers in Family Medicine. I have continued to cherish networking with graduates and faculty from the program throughout my career, and have continued to learn from them."

Dr. Williams and his wife are excited that their daughter Chloe, and her young family are moving to Rochester so she can start her residency in Ob/Gyn at the University of Rochester. "We are happy to have the chance to renew our friendship with Rochester when we visit them," he said.

Resident Spotlight Zoe Kostarellis, MD

"I truly believe a strong primary care foundation is at the core of any successful health care system and I want to be part of that foundation," said Zoe Kostarellis, MD, University of Rochester Department of Family Medicine resident. "Family medicine allows us to get a glimpse into our patients' lives, from young to old, and hope that we can make a positive impact on each individual."



Dr. Kostarellis earned her Bachelor of Science degree in molecular bioscience and biotechnology from the Rochester Institute of Technology where she was an undergraduate research scholar. She received her medical degree from the State University of New York Upstate Medical University in Syracuse before beginning the residency program in 2016.

She, along with her co-residents, is a recipient of a Highland Hospital Quality Improvement Award of Excellence for increasing documented discussion of health care proxies and is pursuing a Political Advocacy and Leadership Area of Concentration, with an interest in single payer health care system. "One the reasons I chose the University of Rochester residency program for my training is because of their focus on the biopsychosocial aspects of health care," she said. "I understand that patient perspectives and interactions with the health care system have a tremendous impact on their health, and the UR residency program has strong training in these areas."

Her experiences with the UR residency program have been extremely positive. "The program is challenging, but the amount of support we receive from co-residents and residency faculty and administration is astonishing," she said. "There has never been a time where I have felt alone or without support. I cannot say enough about the caliber of training we receive to come out of residency as competent physicians ready to practice anywhere in the world."

Next year Dr. Kostarellis will be a chief resident and leading the Political Advocacy and Leadership Track. She plans to stay in Rochester with her husband and two children and practice outpatient family medicine. "I am also very involved politically with promoting a single payer health care system, so I plan to continue to do advocacy work and participate in political activities for years to come," she said.

Welcome



Brenda Fitzsimons



Arthi Chawla, MD, MS, DIMPH



Ryan Mary Cummings, MD

Brenda Fitzsimons is Program Administrator, Highland Family Medicine. She previously served as Administrator, Golisano Children's Pediatric Practice and Program Director, Strong Wound Healing Center.

Arthi Chawla, MD, MS, DIMPH, is a Senior Instructor in Family Medicine. She attended medical school at Tulane School of Medicine and completed a Family Medicine residency at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, St. Margaret, and a Family Medicine Faculty Development Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to joining the staff she was a physician at Locums Tenens, a Federally Qualified Health Center in Bakersfield, California.

Ryan Mary Cummings, MD, is an Instructor of Family Medicine. She attended medical school at New York Medical College and completed her residency in Family Medicine at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry.

The department of Family Medicine also welcomes **Rebecca Cooper-McCann, MD**, as an Instructor in Family Medicine.

Family Medicine Physicians Recognized with RBJ Health Care Achievement Awards

Thomas Campbell, MD, Chair, Department of Family Medicine and Michael Mendoza, MD, MPH, Monroe County Commissioner of Health and a Highland Family Medicine physician, were recognized by the Rochester Business Journal in the Physician Category of the RBJ Health Care Achievement Awards and Timothy Lum, MD, Chief, Emergency Medicine at Highland was recognized in the senior care category.



Celebrating the RBJ awards were: (row 1) Jocelyn Young, DO; Stephen Schultz, MD and Thomas Campbell, MD (row 2) Mel Callan, NP, Paula VanMinos, Brenda Fitzsimons, Stacey Makubire, Santana Tu, Ann Stoutenburg and Colleen Fogarty, MD.

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Fogarty, from page 1.

As chair, Dr. Fogarty will oversee all elements of the department, including the Highland Family Medicine practice, which serves more than 25,000 patients annually. The practice has achieved National Committee for Quality Assurance Level 3 Certification as a Patient-Centered Medical Home, recognizing it as a team-based health care delivery model to provide comprehensive and continuous medical care to patients with a goal to obtain maximal health outcomes.

"Dr. Fogarty's career is a testament to her dedication to the highest quality patient care, to ensuring care for the underserved, and to working with physicians, residents and other health care professionals to successfully advance team-based care," said Mark B. Taubman, MD, CEO of URM and dean of the School of Medicine and Dentistry. "She is a natural choice to continue Family Medicine's commitment to improve the health of our communities, reduce health care disparities, address pressing community issues such as the opioid crisis, and open up more avenues for affordable health care. We are eager to champion her vision for enhancing Family Medicine's research portfolio to place the department front and center as we work to develop ideal

care management and population health management programs."

Dr. Fogarty attained a bachelor's degree in Chemistry at Cornell University, where she was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. She earned her medical degree at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, then completed her family medicine residency and served as chief resident at the University of Rochester. Dr. Fogarty has additional training in Family Systems from the University of Rochester Family Therapy Training Program in Psychiatry and earned a master's of science degree in Epidemiology and Biostatistics from the Boston University School of Public Health.

"I am delighted for this opportunity to serve the University and the Medical Center, and further develop the mission of the Department of Family Medicine to provide excellent clinical care, education, research, and community service," said Dr. Fogarty.

Dr. Fogarty was selected in 2018 by the

Association of Departments of Family Medicine for a year-long fellowship program that provides academic leadership development for family physicians interested in becoming department chairs. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians and the recipient of numerous honors including several Impact Awards from the Forum for Behavioral Science in Family Medicine. She is also Wingspread honoree for Collaborative Family Healthcare Association and a 2016 physician recipient of a Rochester Business Journal Health Care Achievement Award.

Dr. Fogarty's publication record includes both empirical and creative work. Her scholarship includes work in primary care identification and management of mental health conditions, intimate partner violence, and clinical communication skills, including team based care. She serves as assistant editor for the journal Family Medicine, and recently completed her service as co-editor of the journal Families, Systems, and Health.



Gillibrand Visits Highland Family Medicine

Highland Family Medicine hosted U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand last fall. Pictured from left to right Bilal Ahmed, MD, Associate Chief of Medicine, Highland Hospital; Peter G. Robinson, Chief Operating Officer, University of Rochester Medical Center; Candice Lucas, Executive Director, St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center; U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand; Thomas L. Campbell, MD, chair, University of Rochester Department of Family Medicine/Highland Family Medicine; Cindy Becker, Vice President and COO, Highland Hospital and Robert M. McCann, MD, Chief of Medicine, Highland Hospital.