

# PLC Newsletter - October 2007



**Danielle Thomas-Taylor MD, MPH**

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## PLC Faculty Spotlight

Danielle Thomas-Taylor, MD, MPH, one of the first CARE Track residents, is currently an Attending Physician in Pediatrics at Rochester General Hospital, as well as a Senior Instructor in the Department of General Pediatrics at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Dr. Thomas-Taylor is the Director of the Pediatric Links with the Community (PLC) Intern Rotation, as well as a medical provider for the REACH (Referral and Evaluation of Abused Children) program, both at the University of Rochester. She continues to conduct research on such issues as domestic violence and child maltreatment, having published several chapters and abstracts of scholarly work related to these vulnerable children.

Dr. Thomas-Taylor graduated from Mt. Sinai School of Medicine and did her Pediatric Residency at the University of Rochester, where she received the Robert A. Hoekelman Scholarship Award. She was also the 2003 recipient of the Meg Colgan Award given for outstanding dedication to her patient population with sensitivity to the special needs of vulnerable children and their families. Dr. Thomas-Taylor completed a dual fellowship in General Academic Pediatrics and Child Abuse & Forensic Pediatric Medicine. During this time she completed her Masters in Public Health with a thesis focus: *In children with known exposure to family violence, to what extent is it documented in their medical charts?*

Dr. Thomas-Taylor sits on the Board of the Monroe County Society for the Protection and Care of Children, Alternatives for Battered Women's Research Board and the Community Pediatrics Advisory Board. Dr. Thomas-Taylor was the recipient of two Anne E. Dyson Community Pediatrics Training Initiative grants for the Safe Homes Initiative for Rochester Families of Youth, and the Crisis Nursery of Greater Rochester.

## PLC Announcements

- ❖ The CPAC Council awarded five (5) grants for funding for the academic year 2007-2008. The projects were the Around the WORLD Project, Rochester Childfirst Network, Big Brothers Big Sisters Healthy Connections, the TEACHER Team, and the East Rochester Schools Wellness Program. Congratulations to all!
- ❖ Drs. Gellin, Johnson & Kettler were accepted to present their abstract "Preschool Violence Prevention: Around the WORLD" at the Peds-21 Resident Poster Session, luncheon and Symposium in San Francisco, CA in October. Congratulations Caren, Kim and Cara!
- ❖ We are please to announce that in addition to having another successful CARE Track Two-Week Block in July/August, PLC faculty participated in the Leadership Education for Adolescent Health (LEAH) Block in September.

## PLC In the News

- ❖ Save the Date! Our **Eighth Annual Anne E. Dyson Memorial Grand Rounds and Child Advocacy Forum will be held on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008** at Strong Memorial Hospital. We are pleased to announce that Marion Nestle, PhD, MPH, Paulette Goddard Professor, Department of Nutrition, Food Studies and Public Health at New York University, The Steinhardt School of Education, will be our guest speaker. Dr. Nestle is the author of several books including "What To Eat." Her website is [www.foodpolitics.com](http://www.foodpolitics.com). She has appeared in numerous media, including the movie *Supersize Me* and is not afraid to take sides in controversies regarding the obesity epidemic.

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