Greetings from Durham and I hope this newsletter finds you doing well and enjoying Spring. We are excited about our newest class that will be starting in just a couple of months! We continue to have excellent residents and provide outstanding training at Duke! I hope these newsletters prompt you to reflect on your time in the Duke Med-Peds program. I would like to thank those of you who have generously contributed to our residency fund to date. We appreciate all donations and no amount is too small. Please consider giving today! — Sue Woods, MD

I was excited to have Jon Bae Class of 2010, agree to participate in this issue for our Med-Peds Newsletter. He has been recently appointed Associate Chief Medical Officer for Patient Safety and Clinical Quality for Duke University Health System.

What are you doing now?
My clinical home is in Duke Hospital Medicine (HM) where I continue to round on the inpatient resident and non-resident general medicine services. An increasing amount of my time is spent in patient safety and quality work. I recently assumed the role as Associate Chief Medical Officer for Patient Safety and Clinical Quality for Duke University Health System. In this role, I will help set the quality agenda and coordinate patient safety and clinical quality activities across the clinical enterprise.

How did you get to where you are now?
It has been an interesting journey to be sure. My original focus was principally on clinical education. I joined HM faculty after completion of residency and then became one of the chief residents for the Duke Medicine Residency program where I honed these skills. During that year, it fell to the chiefs to reinvigorate the quality improvement program for the residency program. I did not know much about QI and so I started learning more, including leading a clinic wide intervention to improve diabetic foot exams. And it worked! I continued to remain involved and to learn more and at the completion of the chief year, I was asked to join the residency program leadership as the Associate Program Director (APD) for Quality and Safety. In this role, I helped develop a comprehensive QI and safety curriculum for the medicine program. At the same time, I took on a role as the Associate Medical Director for Quality for Duke Hospital Medicine. In both roles, I became increasingly involved in quality and safety for the hospital and health system with a project portfolio ranging from patient satisfaction, care transitions/readmissions, resiliency, and patient safety among others.

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After service as APD for 3 years, it became clear that my interests were increasingly focused on hospital based performance improvement. I subsequently stepped away from the residency program to take on a position as the Medical Director for Mortality Review for the health system. In this position, I helped develop and implement a process to review all inpatient deaths within our 3 hospitals. I continued to learn about our health system and became increasingly engaged in improvement work as an offshoot to this activity. Thus, when there was an opportunity to assume a greater role in quality and safety for our organization as the Associate Chief Medical Officer, I jumped at the opportunity and have been excited to be engaged in helping to shape the direction for the health system.

How did the combined training help you?

The combined training helped me gain a complete appreciation for the spectrum of human experience of illness. And the experiences were very complimentary. I felt the constant exposure to patient acuity as a medicine resident prepared me well for the pediatric wards. Conversely, the greater focus on incorporating families into patient care always helped while on medicine. These are lessons I still carry with me. Combined training also exposed me to so many units and people in the hospital. Having an appreciation for so many different places has given me a lot of perspective on how our health system works and continues to help me in my new roles. All told, the combined training has given me a unique vantage point to deliver patient care, to understand how to drive change, and has helped me be a more complete physician and person.

What had attracted you to Duke Med-Peds and/or Durham?

I was interested in a program that had strong respective medicine and pediatrics programs but that also had a strong individual identity. I found that at Duke. Also, the people made a strong impression on me; I’m not sure how Duke continues to recruit such amazing, passionate people but being around them has continued to push me to be a better physician. And Durham is a phenomenal place to live. I went to undergrad here and knew I was interested in returning. Can’t go wrong with an average winter time high of 55F, < 5 inches of snow a year, and proximity to mountains and beaches. Not to mention the BBQ and the music scene which I continue to enjoy.

Who were your mentors throughout training?

Sue Woods and Tom Owens were my principal mentors throughout training and helped shape who I am. I think I drove Sue nuts because everytime we met, I had changed my potential area of interest. As I joined HM and have had increasing administrative roles, Tom has continued to be a mentor to me.

What do you like to do in your free time?

I have 2 busy boys and we spend a lot of time exploring the state, particularly any areas close to the ocean. The boys like to hike so we have been doing more of that as of late. I love music and the triangle has an amazing music scene so it’s not uncommon to find me in some grungy bar listening to some noisy band. And I’m fairly non discriminating when it comes to musical genres. In the next month, I’ll be seeing Garth Brooks, Guns and Roses, and Jimmy Buffett among others. Lastly, I would be remiss not to mention my passion for Duke Basketball!

Any other words of wisdom to current trainees?

I would probably say do what interests you and what you enjoy; don’t stress yourself trying to plot your career path from day 1 of internship. It requires thoughtfulness for sure but I remember feeling (internal) pressure to select a fellowship or do research, etc. early on. I was never quite able to find something that really resonated and ultimately focused on exploring lots of different fields and career paths. I walked down many before finding my way and that was ok and I am happier for it. Duke is a great place for that given the amount of opportunity, the access to resources, and the mentorship that is around you.
The Duke Med-Peds Residency Fund

We need your support!

This fund supports our current Med-Peds residents in a variety of educational experiences, including participation in research projects, attendance at national meetings, preparation and presentation of scholarly work, global health opportunities and involvement in community outreach programs. Please consider making a contribution online at [www.dukechildrens.org](http://www.dukechildrens.org) and indicate “Duke Med-Peds Residency Fund” in the comments section or send a check directly to us: The Duke Med-Peds Program, Duke University Medical Center, Box 3127, Durham NC 27710

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Welcome Duke Med-Peds Class of 2020

NEW ARRIVALS TO THE MED-PEDS FAMILY


Med-Peds nominations for Golden Apple Teaching Award

(award given by medical students)

Faculty: Aimee Chung, David Ming, Jane Trinh
Residents: Doran Bostwick, Dana Clifton, Elizabeth Kotzen, Nick Turner
Publications


North Carolina American College of Physicians Meeting, Greensboro, NC, February 28, 2016

Nicholas Turner and Jane Trinh. “Improving HCV Screening Rates in a Combined Internal Medicine and Pediatrics Clinic.” WON FIRST PLACE OUT OF ALL POSTERS TO GO TO NATIONAL ACP MEETING.

Elizabeth Kotzen and Jane Trinh. “Implementing depression screening for adult patients in a resident continuity clinic: a multidisciplinary quality-improvement effort.”

Tracey Liljestrom, Shrey Purohit, and Vernee Belcher. “Outside the Lungs: A Case of Tuberculosis Enteritis.”

Society of Hospital Medicine, San Diego, CA, March 6, 2016

Tracey Liljestrom, Chris Woll and Alyssa Stephany. “Gram positive rods: To believe or not to believe.”


Elizabeth Kotzen and Jane Trinh. “Implementing depression screening for adult patients in a resident continuity clinic: a multidisciplinary quality-improvement effort.”

Callie Berkowitz; John Paul Shoup, MD; Ryan Huey, MD; Monica Tang, MD; Matthew Atkins, MD; Alicia Clark, MD.
“Changing Practice for Overnight Fever Work-Ups in Patients on a General Medicine Service.”

Association of Pediatrics Program Directors Meeting, New Orleans, LA April 1, 2016

Dana Clifton and Jane Trinh. “Improving safe sex practices in adolescents and young adults.”

Duke Pediatrics Research Retreat, Durham, NC, April 11, 2016


Thrombosis/Hemostasis Society of North America , Chicago, IL, April 16-18, 2016

Alexandra Borst, Haley Peterson, and Kristin Paulyson-Nuñez, “An Unusual Presentation of Congenital Protein C Deficiency”

Medicine-Program Director Association Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, April 20, 2016

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GRADUATE UPDATES

The Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine has elected Tamera Coyne-Beasley, MD, MPH, FAAP, FSAHM as SAHM President-Elect. Dr. Coyne-Beasley will serve as President-Elect for one year, beginning at the 2016 Annual Meeting and will then become President at the Annual Meeting in 2017.

Suzanne Woods, MD was elected Chair of the Pediatrics Review Committee for the ACGME and appointed to the ACGME task force on fatigue management, supervision, professionalism, and patient safety, which is responsible for reviewing the Section IV of the ACGME Common Program Requirements

Jonathan Bae, MD will be the new DUHS Associate Chief Medical Officer for Patient Safety and Clinical Quality.

Ketan Shah, MD, MBA completed his Adult GI fellowship at UC Irvine and has joined Saddleback Medical Group, Inc as a practicing gastroenterologist in Orange County, California.

Jane Trinh, MD was promoted to Associate Professor of Internal Medicine and Pediatrics.

David Y. Ming, MD was recently selected to receive Duke Institute for Health Innovation (DIHI) funding in the amount of $40,000 for his proposal, "Duke Children's Hospital - Complex Care Service (CCS) - Mobile Complex Care Plans."

Carolyn Avery, MD has been selected to take on the role of the Duke Pediatrics House Officer Continuity Clinic (HOCC) Medical Director, starting in the 2016-17 academic year.

David Ming, MD received the 3rd place award for Early Career Physicians poster competition at the NC ACP Meeting in February 2016 in Greensboro, NC.

Jon Bae, MD received the Karcher Award for Patient Safety at the 11th Annual Duke Medicine Patient Safety & Quality Conference on March 10, 2016.


Richard Chung, MD. Should All Teens be Screened for Depression? Wall Street Journal: http://www.wsj.com/articles/should-all-teens-be-screened-for-depression-1460340172

Fellowship Matches

Doran Bostwick will be going to Utah for Adult Pulmonary and Critical Care.
Monica Tang will be staying at Duke for Combined Allergy/Immunology.
Nick Turner will be staying at Duke for Adult Infectious Diseases.

Med-Peds Faculty Kudos

Dean Miner, MD, one of our primary care med-peds faculty was appointed to the EPIC's Steering Committee for Primary Care Pediatrics. This is a testament to all his contributions to improving EPIC for pediatric providers at Duke and now beyond. Congrats!