Anatomy/Academy to Explore Intersection of Art and Science

Two decades before the painter Thomas Eakins shocked Philadelphians with his masterpiece, *The Gross Clinic*, students at Hahnemann Medical College and the Female Medical College of Pennsylvania (later Woman’s Med) were already dissecting cadavers – a training tool “seen by the public as a horrid practice and particularly unsuited to the delicate sensitivities of women” (Peitzman, *A New and Untried Course*). From their beginnings, the city’s art and medical schools have challenged the limits, serving as engines of innovation and the expansion of knowledge. Anatomy/Academy, presented by the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, January 29 to April 17, will be the first exhibition of its kind to explore the intersection of art and medical science in Philadelphia.

Drexel University College of Medicine is a sponsor of the show. “We are thrilled to partner with PAFA in helping to bring Anatomy/Academy to life,” said Richard V. Homan, M.D., president and Annenberg Dean. “It will be both educational and visually captivating for people to see how the coming together of these seemingly opposite disciplines has helped advance knowledge of the human body and influence public perceptions about health.”

A collaboration between PAFA’s curators of historical, modern, and contemporary art, Anatomy/Academy will include drawings, photographs, paintings, sculpture, ephemera, and material culture, dating from the 18th century to today, that deal with changing conceptions of the body in Philadelphia’s scientific and artistic culture. Among the artists are William Rush, Thomas Eakins, Christian Schussele, Thomas Anshutz, Alice Barber Stephens, Eadweard Muybridge, Charles Grafly, Marcel Duchamp, Robert Henri, Ivan Albright, John Sloan, and Arthur B. Carles.

As the medical sponsor of Anatomy/Academy, the College of Medicine is not only supporting the exhibition, but also lending several works from the extensive collection of the Drexel Legacy Center, including paintings, material culture, and the beloved and many-storied Harriet.

Visit http://amovablearchives.blogspot.com/2010/02/from-collections-harriet.html

Anatomy/Academy
Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
January 29 – April 17

February 10 Alumni Event
An Evening at PAFA
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March 31 Drexel Day
Free admission with Dragon Card.

Dr. Rufus Weaver and Harriet, Legacy Center: Archives & Special Collections

After Jean-Antoine Houdon, l’Écorché (Flayed Man), original 1767, PAFA
Dr. Templeton Receives Lifetime Achievement Award

Bryce Templeton, M.D., professor in the Department of Psychiatry, has received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Philadelphia Psychiatric Society. In presenting him with the honor, the society noted Templeton’s lifetime of career activities as an educator, researcher, and published author—all of which have advanced the field of psychiatry.

Hope Selarnick, M.D., immediate past president of the Philadelphia Psychiatric Society, praised Templeton’s interviewing skills as one of his greatest contributions to the field. “One does not realize until years later the true value of proper interviewing—without this skill, information gleaned from an interview is tainted and proper diagnosis hampered,” she said. “Many physicians in practice today owe much to Dr. Templeton for his dogged persistence in teaching, writing about and researching this important topic.”

Prior to joining the faculty of Drexel University College of Medicine, Templeton spent 16 years at the National Board of Medical Examiners, where he helped organize both the NBME Part II exam and several special board exams. Earlier in his career, he worked for the Public Health Service at a federal prison in California, and on the consultation service at the University of Pittsburgh.

In addition to his work in the field of psychiatry, Templeton is extremely active in the fight against drunk driving, having lost a son in a crash caused by a drunk driver. He serves as an advisory council chair to the Southeast Region of MADD and is a member of MADD’s national board of directors.

Templeton earned his medical degree from Case Western Reserve University and completed his psychiatry residency training at North Carolina Memorial Hospital. He also holds a master’s in education from the University of Illinois. He has received numerous awards throughout his career, including the American Psychiatric Association’s NCA Roeske Certificate of Excellence in Medical Student Education.
Physicians Should Be Socially Active, Says Renowned Rights Worker

Sondra Crosby, M.D., associate professor of medicine, Boston University School of Medicine, and assistant professor of health law, Boston University School of Public Health, presented “Nowhere to Turn: Failure to Protect, Support and Assure Justice for Darfuri Women” on November 23, 2010, as part of the Humanism and Professionalism in Medicine Series. An internist whose practice focuses on the care of refugees and asylum seekers, Dr. Crosby is world renowned for her work in human rights. She has spent time interviewing detainees at Abu Ghraib, Guantanamo Bay, and most recently female rape and torture victims in Darfur. While the focus of her talk was the female Darfuri refugees, her primary message was that physicians should be socially active and that they can make a difference in people’s lives with advocacy for all human rights, including prevention of hunger, poverty, and other social ills.

Saint Peter’s–College of Medicine Celebration

Saint Peter’s University Hospital, in New Brunswick, N.J., invited Drexel medical students, College of Medicine officials, and local dignitaries to a celebration of the Saint Peter’s–College of Medicine relationship on October 26. This year, Saint Peter’s became a Regional Medical Campus of Drexel University College of Medicine, expanding on an already existing academic partnership between the institutions.

Regional Medical Campuses (a designation given by the Association of American Medical Colleges) offer an alternative venue for third- and fourth-year medical students to complete their required clinical education. Saint Peter’s will provide two years of training in core clinical areas such as surgery, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, family medicine, neurology, and psychiatry. Nearly one in five students who enroll at Drexel University College of Medicine is a New Jersey resident. It is anticipated that now many of those students will return to the Garden State for their clinical years and remain in New Jersey to practice upon graduation, helping to fulfill the state’s need to strengthen and grow its broad array of health care services.

“The Saint Peter’s–Drexel University College of Medicine partnership helps add the resources of one of the largest medical schools in the country to the central New Jersey area,” said Ronald C. Rak, Esq., president and CEO of Saint Peter’s Healthcare System, and host of the event. Underscoring the importance of the relationship to the state and local community, among the honored guests were the commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, Dr. Poonam Alaigh; the mayor of the City of New Brunswick, James Cahill; and the Bishop of Metuchen, the Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski.

Patricia Carroll, COO of Saint Peter’s, welcomed the audience. Additional speakers included Drs. Richard V. Homan, College of Medicine president and Annenberg Dean; Barbara Schindler, vice dean for academic affairs; Nayan Kothari, chief academic officer, Saint Peter’s Healthcare System, and associate dean for education, Drexel University College of Medicine; and Syad Hamad Mirzan, a Drexel medical student and New Jersey resident now pleased to be carrying out his rotations at Saint Peter’s.

WHEP Receives “Coalition for a Healthier Community” Funding

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office on Women’s Health has awarded a $100,000 planning grant to Ana Núñez, M.D., and the Women’s Health Education Program for the next phase of its community outreach programming and research. WHEP is one of just 16 awardees selected for funding through the new national initiative, “Coalition for a Healthier Community,” and the only one in Pennsylvania. The one-year grant will support a gender-informed community health assessment and the establishment of a strategic plan to implement a large evidence-based health intervention. This will build upon WHEP’s cost-effective intervention, the Philadelphia Ujima health collaborative. The Philadelphia Ujima model uses a community-based participatory approach coupled with systems change to address health issues that adversely affect the health of women and girls. Contact: WHEP, 215-991-8450.
Monmouth Medical Center Honors College

Drexel University College of Medicine was honored October 30 at Monmouth Medical Center’s Crystal Ball, which celebrated the 40-year academic affiliation between the regional medical campus and the College. At the gala, Monmouth presented its Community Leadership Award to Richard V. Homan, M.D., College of Medicine president and Annenberg Dean; Barbara A. Schindler, M.D., vice dean for educational and academic affairs; and Joseph Jaeger, associate dean for academic affairs—Monmouth Programs. Also honored was Eric N. Burkett, M.D., HU ’71, vice president for medical affairs at Monmouth and physician leader of the Drexel medical student program there, who received the Physician Leadership Award.

Medical Jeopardy – The Legend Continues

For the fourth consecutive year, the Drexel Medical Jeopardy team won the regional round of the competition properly known as the American College of Physicians Doctor’s Dilemma. Next, it’s on to the national championships, which will take place at the ACP’s Internal Medicine 2011 meeting, April 7-9 in San Diego. Team members Ashwani Gupta, Krishna Gopala Rao, Gaurav Mathur, Sumit Kumar and coach Mohammed Islam, all internal medicine residents, need just a slightly better showing than last year, when Drexel lost the trophy by one point.

Breakfast with the Mayor

When College of Medicine Chairman Manuel Stamatakis won his bid in a charity auction to have breakfast with Mayor Michael Nutter, he brought an entourage—five of the 2010 Stamatakis Scholars, medical students who receive support from the Manuel Stamatakis Medical Education Scholarship Fund. Left to right are Vincent Carson, Meghan Berkenstock, Elizabeth Malsin, Chairman Stamatakis, Mayor Nutter, Sugirdhana Velpari, and Akash Patel.

Sara Manzano-Díaz Named 2011 Woman One Honoree

The Institute for Women’s Health and Leadership will present the 2011 Woman One award to Sara Manzano-Díaz, director of the Women’s Bureau at the U.S. Department of Labor, in recognition of her public service advocacy work for working class families, women, and girls. Manzano-Díaz previously served as deputy secretary of state for regulatory programs at the Pennsylvania Department of State. In this position, she was the highest-ranking Latina in Pennsylvania state government. She was also a member of Governor Rendell’s STEM Initiative Team, which supports the development of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education, and workforce development programs.

The Woman One program annually honors a woman of outstanding leadership and raises funds for medical scholarships for talented underrepresented minority women at Drexel University College of Medicine. Nejat Merdato and Chinwe Ibeh were named as scholarship recipients this year, joining the ranks of nine current Woman One Scholars. Six previous scholars have graduated.

Drexel Dragons Memory Walk Team

The Woman One Award Ceremony will be April 25, 2011, at the Rittenhouse Hotel. Contact the Institute at 215.991.8190 or iwhl@drexelmed.edu for more information.

Chinwe Ibeh and Nejat Merdato

Sheila Urban, far left, next to Carol Lippa, M.D., both in the Department of Neurology, and Joan Berry, center, payroll administrator at Drexel University, collaborated this year to field a team for the Philadelphia Alzheimer’s memory walk. The group, heavily populated by Joan’s nieces and nephews, including “Captain America,” raised $2,000.
Christof Daetwyler, M.D., associate professor, Family, Community & Preventive Medicine, and developer of online tools for the Office of Educational Affairs, was a recipient of the 2010 Outstanding Online Instructor Award given by Drexel University. The award recognizes one person from each college or school at the University who has demonstrated a commitment and contribution to the field of online learning.

Eric N. Faerber, M.D., professor of pediatrics and radiologic sciences, and director of radiology at St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children, was installed as president of the Pennsylvania Radiologic Society at the organization’s 95th annual meeting in Pittsburgh on October 9, 2010. He also serves as chair of the Resident and Fellow Section of the society.

Gene Hong, M.D., Hamot and Sturgis Endowed Chair, Department of Family, Community & Preventive Medicine, and chief of the Division of Sports Medicine, was the organizer and chair of the clinical symposium “Shoulder Issues in the Throwing Athlete” at the annual meeting of the Mid Atlantic Regional Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine in Harrisburg, November 5-6. He also presented “Update on Concussion: Emerging Trends.” Hong is an executive board member of the chapter.

Richard B. Huneke, DVM, MPH, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, and executive director, ULAR, has been awarded a $25,000 grant by Pfizer Global Research and Development to facilitate the development of the online version of the Master of Laboratory Animal Science program. Directed by Huneke and Julian Mesina, DVM, Ph.D., the original MLAS program is the only master’s program in the United States for training students in the proper care and management of laboratory animals. The online version, which began accepting students for the fall 2009 semester, will provide an opportunity for animal facility managers throughout the world to earn a master’s degree in their field.

Zafar K. Khan, Ph.D., a professor in the Department of Microbiology & Immunology, received a two-year National Institutes of Health R213 grant in the amount of $275,000 (total direct costs), entitled “Modeling HTLV-1 Infection and Cellular Immune Response in HLA-A2-Transgenic Mice.” He is seeking to develop a small animal model for neuroinflammation.

Candace Robertson, MPH, instructor in medicine and research manager for the Women’s Health Education Program, received the 2010 College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Alumni Medallion from Villanova University on November 11. The award is presented to alumni who demonstrate excellence in their fields of professional endeavor and commitment to the values and ideals of Villanova. Robertson is a doctoral candidate at the Drexel University School of Public Health.

E. Douglas Thompson, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics, has been named chief of the newly formed Section of Hospital Medicine at St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children and director of inpatient services. He has served as medical director of St. Christopher’s Pediatric Generalist Service since 2000.

Krystilyn Washington, a second-year medical student, was selected as one of only 10 recipients nationwide of the Student National Medical Association/Kaplan USMLE Step 1 Scholarship. She is president of the Drexel chapter of the Student National Medical Association and is the community service liaison for SNMA Region 8.

Kimberly Wasko, CVT, VTS, RLATg, SRS, certified veterinary surgical nurse, Department of Surgery, was the subject of the Enriching Profile in the October 2010 issue of The Enrichment Record.

Julie Yeh, M.D., MPH, assistant professor, Department of Family, Community, & Preventive Medicine, has received one of two awards for the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Faculty Enhancement Experience, which provides support for a two-week visit by family medicine faculty to learn from leaders at institutions other than their own. The goal of the experience is to enhance leadership, teaching, or administrative skills through a program designed by the applicant in collaboration with the host institution. Yeh plans to further develop skills in women’s health.
Shuping Ge, M.D., associate professor of pediatrics, presented “Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome: Challenges and Opportunities in Management of Complex Congenital Heart Diseases in Current Era” at the 21st Great Wall International Congress of Cardiology in October in Beijing. Ge is also chief, Section of Cardiology, at St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children.

Richard Huneke, DVM, MPH, associate professor, Department of Microbiology & Immunology, and director of University Laboratory Animal Resources, gave a seminar presentation, “Successes and Challenges in Developing Higher Education Programs for Laboratory Animal Science,” and served as faculty in a workshop entitled “Preparing for an AAALAC International Site Visit” at the 61st annual meeting of the American Association of Laboratory Animal Science in Atlanta, October 10-14.

Dr. Huneke


Dr. Faerber  Dr. De Luca


Dr. Li

Michael R. Russell, Ph.D. ’10; Qingxin [Cindy] Liu, doctoral student; and Alessandro Fatatis M.D., Ph.D., associate professor, Department of Pharmacology & Physiology and Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, are co-authors of “Targeting the α Receptor for Platelet-Derived Growth Factor as a Primary or Combination Therapy in a Preclinical Model of Prostate Cancer Skeletal Metastasis” published in Clinical Cancer Research (October 15). The article was highlighted on the cover of the journal.

Dr. Russell  Dr. Fatatis

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'60s
James A. Faust, M.D., HU ’62 and his wife, Mary Lou, were honored as parade grand marshals for the 225th anniversary of Gardner, Mass. Faust heads the strategic planning committee for Heywood Hospital in Gardner and the $10 million capital campaign for the hospital. He maintained a family practice in Gardner for 38 years before retiring in 2004.

Frank S. Pettyjohn, M.D., HU ’63 is the first recipient of the John Ernsting Award from the Aerospace Medical Association. The award, established by Environmental Tectonics Corporation, in Southampton, Pa., honored Pettyjohn for his long and distinguished career in aerospace medicine. He is currently a professor of medicine and emergency medicine at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine and chairman of the Department of Emergency Medicine for the University of South Alabama Medical Center. He also serves as a cardiology consultant to the Federal Aviation Administration and is the medical director for the Gulf Coast Region VI Emergency Medical Services in Mobile.

Helen Marie Schmidt, M.D., WMC ’63 has been named Cambridge Who’s Who Professional of the Year in Healthcare. Schmidt specializes in general surgery. She is in her third year as the medical director of House Calls Mobile Medical Clinic for Family Home Care & Hospice in Liberty Lake, Wash., where she oversees the provision of in-home primary healthcare.

Sara Cifrese, M.D., HU ’67 who was a family practitioner in Idaho Falls for more than 30 years, retired in September. When she opened her practice in 1971, she was the first female family practitioner in Idaho Falls. Her husband Rocco Cifrese, M.D., is also a 1967 graduate of Hahnemann University.

'70s
C. Richard Schott, M.D., HU ’70 a cardiologist, was elected vice president of the Pennsylvania Medical Society for the upcoming year. Schott is a member of Cardiology Consultants of Philadelphia.
Leonard S. Jacob, M.S., HU ’72; M.D., MCP ’78; Ph.D. was appointed to the board of trustees of the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. Jacob is chairman of the board of Antares Pharma, non-executive chairman of Bradley Pharmaceuticals, and chairman for Life Science Advisors.

Frank M. Stearns, M.S., MCP ’72; Ph.D., HU ’78 the CEO of the American Red Cross National Testing Laboratory in Philadelphia, has been awarded the national American Red Cross Presidential Award for Excellence. Stearns took on the challenge of how to safely and effectively distinguish and test blood donors who required highly expensive testing for T. cruzi, a parasite that causes Chagas disease. His solution has saved the American Red Cross almost $19 million annually.

Donald E. Carter, Jr., M.D., HU ’74 was inducted into the hall of fame for the Alliance High School of Alliance, Ohio. He recently retired from Alliance Family Medical Center where he had been employed for 33 years.

Suzanne M. Smith, M.D., MCP ’74, MPH, MPA has been awarded a Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Exploration (GCE) grant. She and her colleagues at Speech Technology and Applied Research Corp, Bedford, Mass., will use the grant to analyze the acoustics of cough as a tool to diagnosis pneumonia. Finding distinctive cough sounds could become a tool for use by health workers in isolated areas to identify individuals who would benefit from antibiotics, leading to dramatic improvement in the management of pneumonia, which is the leading cause of death among children worldwide. GCE is a highly competitive initiative to help scientists around the world explore bold and largely unproven ways to improve health in developing countries.

Smith retired from the Centers for Disease Control in 2005 after a 22-year career there. She was the 2002 recipient of the WMC MCP/HU Alumnae Achievement Award.

Joseph P. Coyle, M.D., HU ’78 has been named to Best Doctors in America 2010-2011 for Cardiothoracic Anesthesia and Critical Care Anesthesiology by Best Doctors, Inc. Coyle practices with Southeast Anesthesia Consultants in Charlotte, N.C.

‘80s

Trude Haecker, M.D., MCP ’80 was named chairman of the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra. Haecker is the medical director for Primary Care and Community Health Services and medical director for the After Hours Program at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia.

John Goodill, Jr., M.D., HU ’82 a specialist in critical care medicine and pulmonology, was listed as a Top Doctor for 2010 by Delaware Today magazine. He practices at Pulmonary Associates and at Christiana Hospital, both in Newark, Del.

John F. Lentini, M.D., MCP ’83 was featured in an article about non-invasive MRIs in the Holland Tab of Framingham, Mass. Lentini is a radiologist at Southcoast Hospital's Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River, Mass.

Margaret Stinemane, M.D., HU ’83 professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, and professor of epidemiology in the Center for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, was elected a member of the Institute of Medicine.

Alex M. Horchak, M.D., HU ’84 a board-certified urologist, joined the medical staff at Stanly Regional Medical Center in Albemarle, and has special interests in minimally invasive surgery, non-surgical treatment of prostate cancer and female pelvic floor reconstruction.

Steven Schnipper, M.D., MCP ’87 a board-certified specialist in allergy and immunology, joined Sound Shore Medical Center in New Rochelle, N.Y. Schnipper is a clinical instructor at New York University School of Medicine as well as Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and is active in the residency teaching program at NYU. He also maintains a private practice in New Rochelle.

Christopher T. Olivia, M.D., HU ’88 was the subject of the cover story in the September 2010 issue of Smart Business Pittsburgh: “Dr. Christopher Olivia Turns Around West Penn Allegheny.” Olivia is president and chief executive officer of West Penn Allegheny Health System in Pittsburgh.

Asit P. Patel, M.D., MCP ’88 a board-certified anesthesiologist and pain management specialist, has joined the staff of Elk Regional Health Center in Saint Marys, Pa.

David Paul, M.D., HU ’88 a neonatologist, was listed as a Top Doctor for 2010 by Delaware Today magazine. He practices at Neonatology Associates and Christiana Hospital, both in Newark, Del.

‘90s

Joseph G. Chacko, M.D., MCP ’91 has been promoted to associate professor of ophthalmology and neurology with tenure at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, Little Rock. Chacko has been the director of neuro-ophtalmology at the Jones Eye Institute since 2005.

Kelly Eschbach, M.D., HU ’91 a specialist in physical medicine and rehabilitation, was listed as a Top Doctor for 2010 by Delaware Today magazine. She practices at Wilmington Hospital.

Elizabeth Crowley, M.D., MCP ’97 was featured in the Burlington County Times for her work running the Volunteers in
Medicine of Cape May County Clinic in Cape May Court House, N.J. Crowley has her own family practice, also in Cape May Court House.

'00s

David Kashmer, M.D., MCPHU '01 was named section chief of trauma, emergency general surgery and surgical critical care at Guthrie Healthcare System’s Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, Pa. Prior to joining Guthrie, he was a general surgeon at Southside Regional Community Hospital in Farmville, Va.

Purvi Parikh, M.D., MCPHU '01 joined the division of general surgery at Albany Medical Center, Albany, N.Y., and was appointed professor of surgery at Albany Medical College. Parikh specializes in hepatobiliary surgery and has particular expertise in performing complex procedures for benign hepatobiliary diseases, benign biliary strictures, and abdominal oncologic diseases.

Jeffrey Pitcher, M.D. '02 joined Trinity Health of Minot, N.D., as a plastic and reconstructive surgeon. His residency in plastic surgery was conducted at Washington University School of Medicine, where he served as chief resident. Prior to that, he completed his general surgery residency at the Indiana University School of Medicine, where he served as chief resident from 2007 to 2008.

Gregory J. Purnell, M.D. '04 joined Holston Medical Group and the Orthopaedic Center of the Southeast in Kingsport, Tenn. Purnell came to Holston Medical following the completion of an orthopedic sports medicine fellowship with Orthopaedic Research of Virginia.

Scott K. Schweizer, M.D. '04 was appointed to the staff of Canonsburg General Hospital in Canonsburg, Pa. An orthopedic surgeon specializing in sports medicine, he completed his residency at State University of New York Upstate Medical University and his fellowship at TRIA Orthopaedic Center in Bloomington, Minn.

Amanda C. Rodski, M.D./MBA '06 joined the Cotton-O’Neil Clinic in Topeka, Kan., as an emergency medicine physician. She completed her residency in emergency medicine at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York City and Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia.

Stephen E. Vandenhoff, M.D. '06 a family practice physician, joined Eastern Shore Rural Health at Onley Community Health Center in Onley, Va. Vandenhoff completed his residency with the Portsmouth Family Medicine Program at Eastern Virginia Medical School. While there, he served as director of the homeless clinic.

Angela Dixon Guerrera, M.D. '07 joined the staff of AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center at its Atlantic City, N.J., campus. She completed her residency in emergency medicine at Cooper University Hospital, Camden, N.J.

Former Residents and Fellows

Warren M. Cohen, D.O., Family Medicine Resident, MCP '90; Neuroradiology Fellow '06 joined the radiology team at Hazleton (Pa.) General Hospital and the Hazleton Health and Wellness Center, both part of the Greater Hazleton Health Alliance. Most recently, he served as the medical director and chief of radiology for the Nanticoke Hospital Health Care System in Seaford, Del. Cohen is board certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Radiology, the American Board of Emergency Medicine and the American College of Osteopathic Family Practitioners.

Margaret Fernandes D’Souza, M.D., Neonatal Resident, MCP ‘80 was profiled in New Jersey’s Burlington County Times. She is chief of neonatology at Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center in Camden, N.J., where she has worked for 31 years. She recently received the hospital’s Joseph A. Pacera Community Benefits Award for Lifetime Achievement.

Carmen Febo-San Miguel, M.D., Family Medicine Resident, HU ’76 executive director of the Philadelphia organization Taller Puertorriqueño since 1999, is the recipient of the 2010 Paul Robeson Award for Lifetime Achievement, given annually by the Bread and Roses Community Fund to honor individuals and groups involved in social change.

Alan Mechanic, M.D., Neurosurgery Resident, MCP ’87 joined Neurological Surgery of Commack and Lake Success, N.Y. A diplomate of the American Board of Neurological Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, he is the chief of neurosurgery at the Huntington Hospital in Huntington, N.Y. He specializes in spinal surgery, brain tumors and trigeminal neuralgia.

Archana Narasimha Rao, M.D., Neurology Resident ’09 joined West Texas Medical Associates’ Neurology Department in San Angelo.

Nirlep A. Patel, M.D., Internal Medicine Resident ’10 joined the medical staff in surgery at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Jack Sobel, M.D., Infectious Diseases Fellow, MCP ’79 was appointed by iCo Therapeutics Inc. to the scientific advisory board committee overseeing the development of iCo-009, iCo’s oral Amphotericin B program for life-threatening fungal and parasitic diseases. Sobel is the associate chairman for research, Department of Internal Medicine, at Wayne State University School of Medicine.

Melissa L. Taylor, M.D., Internal Medicine Resident, MCPHU ’02 joined the medical staff at Annie Penn Hospital in Reidsville, N.C., as the new medical director for Triad Hospitalists. She is one of three hospitalists at Annie Penn Hospital.

Arun Uthayashankar, M.D., Anesthesiology Resident ’10 joined the anesthesiology team at St. Luke’s Cornwall Hospital and Mid-Hudson Anesthesiology in Newburgh, N.Y.

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Alums Post Good Outcomes at Good Samaritan

A community hospital in Central Pennsylvania is carving a niche in cardiology with the expertise of two College of Medicine alumni: Jeffrey Williams, M.D. ’99, and Robert Stevenson, M.D. ’00. Williams is director of cardiac electrophysiology at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Lebanon, Pa., where he helped launch the EP program, and Stevenson is co-director.

Although they were within a year of each other at MCP-Hahnemann, the men did not know each other well until their professional paths crossed a decade later. After graduation, Williams and his wife-to-be, Beth M. Pantuso, M.D. ’99, now vice chairman of Ob/Gyn at Good Samaritan, left Philadelphia for their residencies at the University of Cincinnati. Williams then completed fellowships in cardiovascular disease and clinical cardiac electrophysiology at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. Meanwhile, Stevenson and his future wife, Jennifer Toth, M.D. ’00, headed for residencies at Penn State-Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. Stevenson also completed fellowships in cardiology and clinical cardiac electrophysiology while Toth, now medical director of interventional pulmonary medicine at Hershey Medical Center, completed her pulmonary/critical care fellowship there.

In 2008, Williams was recruited by Lebanon Cardiology Associates to start the GSH Invasive Electrophysiology Lab, which was 18 months in the planning. Stevenson joined him a year later. Their team recently published an outcomes report on EP device implantations performed at the lab, becoming the first community hospital-based EP program in the United States to publish outcomes for pacemaker and defibrillator implantations (“Patient Demographics, Complications, and Hospital Utilization in 250 Consecutive Device Implants of a New Community Hospital Electrophysiology Program: Implications for ‘Niche’ Hospitals,” American Heart Hospital Journal, Summer 2010).
Early in January 2011 the College of Medicine will initiate automated data loss prevention (DLP) and encryption of email that contains non-publicly available personal information and protected health information (PHI). The Voltage encryption software is also available for installation on individual employees’ computers at their request.

The email author should be encrypting any email that includes non-publicly available personal information or any of the HIPAA-designated 18 elements of PHI. Once Voltage is installed, the email author simply chooses the Send Secure button, near the Send button in the upper left corner of the screen, to encrypt the email for internal and external recipients. The recipient need not have Voltage installed to un-encrypt the email.

The DLP software will scan all College of Medicine email. If it determines that elements of PHI (such as Social Security number, account number, diagnosis and medical record number) are evident, it will automatically encrypt the body (not the subject) of the email using Voltage if the author did not choose to “send secure.” The particular elements of PHI selected for scanning may be customized as need and risk dictates.

The author will be notified of the automated encryption applied by the system and the chief privacy officer will be copied on the notification.

Installing and using the Voltage encryption solution is an important step in protecting patient information. College of Medicine email subscribers may read the Email Encryption Policy and review the process for requesting Voltage installation at: http://it.drexelmed.edu/InformationSecurity/SecureEmail/Policy.aspx.

Questions? Call any time to ask a compliance or privacy question. Contact the Office of the Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer at 215-355-7819. Confidential compliance hotlines: Call toll-free 866-936-1010 or visit www.drexelmed.edu/ComplianceHotline.

Women still face an uphill battle when it comes to pursuing careers in medicine, as well as obtaining quality health care. Although 35 percent of faculty members in academic medicine are women, they are disproportionately represented in the lower ranks: only 18 percent of full professors in academic medicine are women (AAMC Faculty Roster, May 2009). Women also face a higher financial burden from medical care than men. Nearly one-third of women ages 50 to 64 are in households that have spent more than 10 percent of their income on healthcare, compared with one quarter of men of similar age (Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality).

Last October, women leaders from all 50 states and the District of Columbia gathered in Philadelphia to generate solutions to women’s health issues and other factors that perpetuate leadership inequities in eight topic areas. This assembly was the kickoff of Vision 2020: An American Conversation about Women and Leadership™. Vision 2020 is a 10-year national initiative focused on advancing women’s leadership and equality, developed by the Institute for Women’s Health and Leadership® at Drexel University College of Medicine.

The eight Conversation topics were Arts & Culture; Business, Law & Finance; Communications & Media; Education; Politics & Government; Health; Philanthropy, Faith & Volunteerism; and Engineering, Science & Technology.

The Health Conversation encompassed both women working in the health professions and women seeking medical care. The panelists were Nancy Dickey, M.D., president, Texas A&M Health Science Center; Eleanor Hinton Hoytt, president and CEO, Black Women’s Health Imperative; and Richard Homan, M.D., College of Medicine president and Annenberg Dean.

Among the concerns raised was the lack of women role models in academic medicine. One solution is to promote programs like the College of Medicine's Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine® program for women, which teaches leadership skills and offers extensive coaching, networking and mentoring opportunities.

Another issue—which was a recurring theme in the Conversations—was implicit bias against women. Medical research historically has focused more on diseases that primarily affect men; and the number of practitioners and medical institutions that specialize in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases that disproportionately affect women is inadequate.

Following the Conversations, the delegates signed a Declaration of Equality and began work on developing action projects to address problems in these areas in their home states. For more information, visit http://drexel.edu/vision2020.
**Bulletin:**

**Defying the Odds: A Presentation and Concert**
What would it be like to forget a year of your life?
Singer-songwriter Jason Crigler, who suffered a brain hemorrhage in 2004 and lost part of his life as a result, will share his experience dealing with his injury and recovery, along with his sister Marjorie, in a presentation called “Defying the Odds” on Sunday, January 30, at 1:00 p.m. As part of the presentation they will screen their documentary entitled Life.Support.Music, which gives you a first-hand look into how such an injury can affect the lives of not only the injured but also those around him. A Q&A session will follow. Crigler, who is a talented guitarist, will perform a 30-minute concert at the end of the presentation.

“Defying the Odds: A Presentation and Concert” will take place in Geary Auditorium B, New College Building, Drexel Center City Campus, and is free and open to the public. For more information please call 215-895-1029 or visit www.drexel.edu/westphal or www.defyingtheodds.net.

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