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Personal Statement

I believe that effective and innovative healthcare delivery requires active patient involvement, robust IT enhancements, and enhanced interdisciplinary communication. As an example, I was invested in developing a group class within our primary care center, which recently implemented a free fruit and vegetable prescription program to low-income, low health-literacy patients with diet-related illnesses. The project centers on collaboration with community partners, other team members including nutritionists, and IT support for implementing food insecurity screenings—all values that SGIM embraces in improving clinical patient outcomes.

In fact, attendance at SGIM meetings has taught me novel methods of implementing effective multidisciplinary teams, collaborative care, and delivering population health, which I am able to bring back and discuss with colleagues and administrative teams at my institution. Further, participating in pre-course planning, serving as a member of the Clinical Practice Committee, and recently co-leading the SSGIM regional primary care networking session has opened my eyes to the value and benefit of networking to discover best practices in the healthcare setting across various academic institutions.

Many of these benefits were not initially apparent to me as a junior faculty member, but learned over time through presence at regional and national conferences, as well as involvement in different interest groups and committees. Thus, I feel it paramount to highlight the many benefits and opportunities for collaboration that can springboard from involvement in SGIM, both at the committee level longitudinally and the conference level annually. I look forward to implementing innovative methods for educating and engaging our junior faculty members, as well as our medical student and resident population, in pursuing SGIM membership. I also embrace the opportunity to collaborate with members of the regional leadership board and national membership committee on these and other innovations embraced by the organization.
Biosketch

Positions and Employment:
2007-2010 Medical Residency, Internal Medicine, Primary Care Track, Emory University
2010-Present Clinical Instructor, Division of General Medicine, Emory University
2014-2015 Associate Medical Director, Primary Care Center, Grady Memorial Hospital
2015-2016 Medical Director, Primary Care Center, Grady Memorial Hospital

Professional Memberships:
2008 – 2010 Member, American College of Physicians
2009 – Present Member, Society of General Internal Medicine
2004 – 2005 President, Student National Medical Association (SNMA)

C. Selected Peer-reviewed Publications
**This publication was awarded the Editor’s Choice Distinction as an exemplary resource to be disseminated across disciplines and is only awarded to only a small percentage of accepted submissions. 2017.


David Dunhill, M.D., Stacie Schmidt, M.D. and Robin Klein, M.D. Motivational Interviewing Interventions in Graduate Medical Education: A review of the evidence. Journal of Graduate Medical Education, June 2014

D. Research Support

Ongoing Research Support

Primary Care Training and Enhancement Grant: The major goal of this project is to prepare interns and residents for a career in Primary Care Medicine, focusing on how to provide high quality care to underserved patients through the Patient-Centered Medical Home. My role is to provide formal didactic sessions to residents on this topic. Health Resources and Services Administration. Co-Investigator.
Completed Research Support

**Evaluation of GA BASICS Project: Georgia Brief Assessment, Screening, Intervention Continuum of Care System for Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Misuse in the Emergency Department:** The purpose of this project is to screen patients in the ER on substance use in the form of alcohol and other recreational drugs, provide a brief intervention using motivational interviewing techniques, and refer persons at moderate to high risk for abuse to the appropriate treatment center. We plan to investigate whether such interventions reduce healthcare utilization and hospital costs, as well as improve patient health outcomes. Co-Investigator.

**Implementation of a Multidisciplinary Program Teaching Patient Self-Management Skills to Underserved Persons with Multiple Chronic Diseases.**
FAME (*Fostering the Academic Mission in the Emory Department of Medicine*) Grant. PI and Facilitator of multidisciplinary group visits.