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Midwest SGIM 2013 Regional Meeting: Linking Research and Education to Clinical Practice in the Era of Accountable Care

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The Midwest Leadership Board is pleased to report having completed another exciting SGIM Midwest Regional Meeting, September 12-13, 2013. Our venue was the lovely Navy Pier in Chicago. Our goal was to engage trainees, faculty, and leaders in the topic of accountable care and the role that general internists play in leading efforts addressing education, clinical care, and research.

As such, this year's theme was "Accountable Care: Linking

Research and Education to Clinical Practice." We were fortunate to have an outstanding invited keynote speaker, Anne Pereira, MD, MPH, whose presentation was titled "Betwixt and Between: Modeling and Teaching Care for Tomorrow, Today." Following her presentation, we listened to outstanding talks from Drs. Elbert Huang, Elizabeth Jacobs, and Marshall Chin. These brief talks focused on the impact of accountable care on medical education, cost savings in patient-centered care, and health disparities. All four speakers then served as panelists as they engaged in discussion with the attendees.

Highlighted initiatives this year included SGIM national updates from Drs. Christopher Masi and Mark Liebow and a Choosing Wisely® presentation from Drs.

Laurence McMahon, Vineet Chopra, Jeremy Sussman, and Alfred Burger. This year, medical student registration fees were waived with an accepted submission, and group mentoring sessions were dedicated to medical students, residents, and junior faculty. Institutional champions (Drs. Kurt Pfeifer, Toshi Uchida, and Cara Polland) were instrumental in planning the meeting.

We experienced record attendance with a total of 206 attendees. We received 217 submissions of which 138 were accepted, including 33 abstracts, 12 innovations, 11 workshops, and 82 vignettes.

On behalf of the Midwest SGIM Leadership Board and Planning Committee, many thanks to our committee chairs, mentors, poster judges, and all attendees.