

FROM THE SOCIETY: PART II

# Newly Elected Members of SGIM Council 2015

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SGIM's 2015 Nomination Committee has concluded the ballot count of the 2015 elections, and we are pleased to announce the election results below along with a personal statement from each of the elected members. These Council members will each serve a three-year term in their positions.



**SGIM President-Elect: Eileen E. Reynolds, MD**

SGIM has been a central force in my medical life since I went to my first meeting as a primary care resident at UCSF. Ever since, I have found the Society and its meetings to be my professional home where I find energy, ideas, renewal, and shared values. My participation in SGIM has changed the way I think, how I relate to my patients, and how I view medicine. My goals for SGIM are:

1. To continue to build collaborative bridges with other national organizations. I will work to leverage SGIM's influence and advocacy for members' goals and core values, particularly around primary care access, payment, and research dollars. The threat to graduate medical education funding is among SGIM's important issues, and I will collaborate with the Alliance for Academic Internal

- Medicine and the American College of Physicians on educational funding concerns.
2. To focus on our "pipeline," our future members. Recent curricular changes in many schools have pushed primary care clinical experiences into the first weeks of the first year. We know many students arrive hoping to go into primary care; now we can access them earlier than ever and seek to sustain their primary care commitment. Every first-year student should be contacted by an SGIM member.
3. To work with the exceptional staff of SGIM to assist with their goals for the core work they do. The staff is the backbone of everything we can accomplish.



**SGIM Treasurer-Elect: David C. "DC" Dugdale, MD**

Since attending my first meeting, SGIM has been my academic home. Through mentorship and collegial relationships, SGIM has helped me grow personally and professionally, with an enduring commitment to balance. I am eager to "give back" to the organization that has so positively shaped my own career. I want to help members further their educational and research activities and learn the clinical and busi-

ness/management skills needed to thrive in an environment that is often difficult for academic generalism. I believe that modeling by generalist faculty with "breadth and depth" is essential to training primary care and generalist physicians and to developing the best possible health care system. I look forward to building on my experience in medical care system management to promote work with SGIM members and leaders that will strengthen the influence of general internal medicine (GIM) and our organization. I will emphasize commitment to SGIM's values of excellence, collegial support, partnerships, social responsibility, equity, and diversity while also working to improve SGIM's financial health.



**Council At-Large Members: Eva Aagaard, MD, FACP**

I am truly passionate about GIM—both primary care and hospital-based medicine. In my former role as a community physician and current role as an academic, SGIM has consistently served as my professional home since 1999. The Society is a place to learn, a community to be a part of, and a place of opportunity for personal and professional growth and advocacy for the field I love so much. As a Council member, I will

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bring my passion for education, scholarship, and patient care and my longstanding knowledge of SGIM to bear. I am committed to balancing the priorities of SGIM to make sure we meet the needs of all of our members. My leadership style is one that focuses on listening and consensus building. I look forward to opportunities to bring creative solutions to challenging issues. In addition, I will continue to strive to enhance our work especially through collaboration with other organizations.



### **Jada Bussey-Jones, MD, FACP**

Since my first southern regional meeting in 2000, SGIM has been my professional home. I have been happy to

serve in a number of roles and am committed to do the following:

1. Advocate for patient-centered equitable care and social responsibility in the care of vulnerable, underserved, and diverse populations. I will support educational, research, advocacy, and service interventions that seek to address and improve patient-centered care and care of the underserved while mitigating inequity.
2. Develop innovative approaches to increasing the diversity of members at SGIM. I will support the membership by supplementing our wonderful mentoring program with other innovations for junior faculty, trainees, and students. I will search for additional funding to support travel and program development dedicated to increasing and enriching the experiences of junior faculty and learners at the national meeting with the goal of

increasing and maintaining their interest in generalism and academic medicine.

3. Broaden the role of SGIM in the discussion of new models of primary care that improve outcomes and increase value. I will increasingly participate in the national debate, becoming a leader of both faculty and learners as academic practices transform to medical homes that utilize and advance scholarship around population management, team-based care, information systems, and other innovations.

SGIM Council congratulates the new officers and Council members and extends its sincere appreciation to all the candidates for their willingness to serve the Society. The SGIM Council also wishes to thank the members who served on the 2015 Nominations Committee: Eric Bass (chair), Bennett Lee, Shobhina Chheda, Martin Shapiro, Ellen Yee, and Marshall Chin.

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