Dear Community Faculty Colleagues,

I would like to highlight two really impressive new initiatives that our office is spearheading this summer. One is the newly initiated ambassador program.

As many of you know, for years the UNM School of Medicine has operated a Circuit Rider Program for the Practical Immersion Experience or PIE, where our medical students work in primary care sites throughout the state for six weeks after their first year of medical school. Circuit riding allowed our faculty to visit these sites, meet with our students and community faculty, and participate in the training process itself.

That program is transitioning into an Ambassador Program lead by executive vice dean Dr. Martha McGrew. Faculty leaders will focus on connecting and building our critical and longitudinal relationships with community faculty across the state. This will be an opportunity for you to provide feedback, connect with faculty leaders, and create important two-way, long term ties with UNM.

For this first year, the ambassadors will visit all of the preceptors for the PIE program. Next year we will expand the ambassador program to include all of our community faculty, across all disciplines and programs.

We are also thrilled that the Office for Medical Educator Development (OMED) has created an easy to use, on-line learning module about effective and efficient teaching in the clinical setting. The module, made up of several learning sections, has been approved for 2.5 CME credits, and is a free benefit to all of our community faculty. Instructions for registering for this on-line CME module are on the front page of the newsletter.

We welcome your feedback about our free CME program. Please let us know what works and what doesn't, and what topics you would like to include in future on-line programs. Our office welcomes comments, questions, concerns and ideas for making your experience as community faculty at UNMSOM the most rewarding and meaningful it can be.

All my best,

Helene Silverblatt MD
Community Faculty Appreciation Event at the Isotopes

“Baseball was, is and always will be to me the best game in the world”
- Babe Ruth

Is there anything greater than a baseball game on a Summer evening? It's difficult to think of much else, but especially a Summer game spent with some of the best people from around our state. Those of us in the Office for Community Faculty were so pleased to see many of you for the community faculty appreciation event at the Isotopes game on June 3rd. It cannot be said enough, we are so grateful to those of you who support the future of medicine by mentoring, teaching and supervising our students. We hope this event provided an opportunity for you to establish fellowship, catch up with your peers and friends, all while enjoying some fun and good food.

Are you on track for promotion?

Did you know that service as a volunteer/community faculty can lead to promotion? It’s true! Here are the guidelines:

◆ A clinical or adjunct faculty member who has spent at least five years as assistant or associate professor is eligible for promotion to associate professor or professor.

◆ The individual must earn a record of “excellence” in at least one of the mission areas: education, clinical services or scholarly works. These are described in the UNM School of Medicine's Promotion and Tenure Standards Guidelines.

◆ The area(s) of excellence must be related to the services rendered to UNM. The Promotion and Tenure Standards Guidelines outline the criteria for promotion in the different mission areas.

◆ The individual must adhere to high standards of professional ethics.

◆ The department chair may recommend a promotion by submitting the following documents:
  - Current and complete CV for the candidate
  - A letter stating that senior members of the department concur with the recommendation for promotion
  - The standard forms required by the dean of the School of Medicine
  - Supporting documents such as letters, teaching evaluations, and publications

◆ The complete dossier must be submitted to the Office of Faculty Affairs and Career Development by the first Friday in December

◆ The dean’s ad hoc committee will review the dossier and make a recommendation to the dean.
OT Graduate Program Fieldwork Appreciation

In partnership with the Office for Community Faculty, Occupational Therapy Graduate Program hosted their 3rd annual fieldwork education appreciation reception to honor and recognize the occupational therapy supervisors and clinical sites that train students during fieldwork rotations. Congratulations to Lovelace Health System; awarded 2017 Fieldwork Site of the Year, as well as Nancie Furgang, named Fieldwork Educator of the Year!

The occupational therapy community is doing phenomenal work toward building and strengthening relationships by taking time to thank those involved in the process of fieldwork.

Paul Shelburne, MD
Recipient of the 2017 James Hutchison Volunteer Faculty Award

The award honors outstanding contributions by a volunteer faculty in the education of the Obstetrics/Gynecology residents.
Teaching with Limited Time
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Complete a self-paced, on-line module to learn evidence-based approaches to efficiently integrating learners into your clinic, including demonstration of 6 strategies known to enhance medical student learning while minimizing impact on your delivery of care.

Register at http://goto.unm.edu/nlineeg

Registrants will receive information on accessing the course through HSC Moodle. Registration is ongoing without deadlines. There is no registration fee through June 30, 2018.

This activity has been approved by the UNM Office of Continuing Medical Education & Professional Development for AMA PRA Category 1, 2.5 credit(s)™.

For further information, contact OMED at HSC-OMED@salud.unm.edu or (505) 272-8820