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ACADEMIC UPDATES

Renaissance School of Medicine Faculty Receive State and National Honors

Dr. Wei-Hsin Lu from the Department of Preventive Medicine was selected to receive the 2023 Northeast Group on Educational Affairs Distinguished Educator Award.

Dr. John Fleagle was awarded the Charles Darwin Lifetime Achievement award by the American Association of Biological Anthropology. Established in 1992, this award honors distinguished senior AABA members, and recognizes Dr. Fleagle's enormous array of research topics over the last 50 years, including primate evolution, primate locomotion, and broad patterns of evolution and adaptation across many taxa.

Dr. Bettina Fries was named American Association for the Advancement of Science Fellow. AAAS Fellows include scientists, engineers, and innovators recognized for their achievements across disciplines, from research, teaching, and technology, to administration in academia, industry and government, to excellence in communicating and interpreting science to the public.

Dr. Sandeep Mallipattu was elected member of the American Society for Clinical Investigation (ASCI), a nonprofit medical honor society dedicated to the advancement of research that extends understanding of diseases and improves treatment, and mentoring future generations of physician-scientists.

Two RSoM faculty—Dr. Judith Crowell (Psychiatry) and Dr. Lawrence Hurst of (Orthopaedics) were promoted to SUNY Distinguished Service Professors.

RSoM Hosts “So, You Want to Attend Medical School?” Event

On Friday, February 24, 2023, the Renaissance School of Medicine hosted a pre-med event in the MART, entitled “So, you want to attend medical school?” Attendees included pre-med students from Stony Brook University (including the SIMONS STEM Scholars), the CSTEP Program and pre-med Honors Society from St. John's University, SUNY Old Westbury, and the Suffolk County Jack and Jill Organization. The purpose of this event was to introduce students to

the medical school admissions process, medical school financing, and the numerous opportunities available at the RSoM.

SBM Continues Planning on New Initiatives

Planning continues for the Center for Healthy Aging at the RSOM. Efforts are underway to launch the Center for Interprofessional Innovation across the Health Sciences schools.

Athletic Training Program Receives 10-year Accreditation from CAATE

The Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) voted to grant the Master of Science program in Athletic Training its maximum possible term of 10 years of Continuing Accreditation. The program, led by Associate Professor and Chair Kathryn Koshansky, is the only CAATE-accredited MS Athletic Training program on Long Island.

Afrinash Ahamad Wins Best Poster Award at 17th Annual Women in Medicine Research Day

Afrinash Ahamad, Director of Clinical Education and Clinical Assistant Professor of Clinical Laboratory Sciences, received the Best Poster Award at the Renaissance School of Medicine's 17th Annual Women in Medicine Research Day for "A Historical Perspective on Diversity in Clinical Laboratory Sciences Programs at the School of Health Professions." The event raises awareness of issues women face in medical training, healthcare, and research, and highlights the achievements of women in those fields. The event featured a record number (137) of research abstracts and a keynote speech by Dr. Juanita Merchant from the University of Arizona, Tucson.

Joseph Whitton elected Secretary of ASRT

Joseph Whitton, Clinical Assistant Professor and Program Director of the School of Health Professions' Radiologic Technology Program, was elected to serve on the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Board of Directors as Secretary. As a board member, Whitton will help lead the ASRT, set direction for the profession, and advance the medical imaging and radiation therapy profession.

Jeannie Guglielmo selected for ASAHP's 2023 Leadership Development Program

Jeannie Guglielmo, Clinical Associate Professor and Chair of the School of Health Professions' Clinical Laboratory Sciences Department, is one of 21 members selected to participate in the Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions (ASAHP) 2023 Leadership Development Program. First created in 2005, this program provides a broad spectrum of training opportunities for future deans and leaders in health professions education, including management skills, budgeting, and conflict resolution



Stacy Jaffee Gropack receives 2023 FACT 2 Excellence Award

Dr. Stacy Jaffee Gropack, Dean of the School of Health Professions, received SUNY's FACT2 Excellence in Administrative Leadership Award, a system-level honor conferred to acknowledge consistently superior professional achievement and encourage the ongoing pursuit of excellence. The FACT 2 Awards underscore SUNY's commitment to the use of technology to support instruction, research, and service. An awards ceremony will take place at the annual Conference on Instruction and Technology (CIT) May 23-26, 2023 at SUNY Oswego.

School of Dental Medicine Student & Faculty Research Wins ADEA Award

Research conducted by Year 3 student Dana Chan, along with Stony Brook School of Dental Medicine faculty and students, earned first place in the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Student Poster Award competition earlier this month. Titled "The Short-Term Effect of COVID Isolation on Self-Rated Perceptions of Health in Older Adults", the poster received top billing among more than 170 presentations from dentistry schools nationwide.

School of Nursing Students and Faculty Shine at Eastern Nursing Research Society

Last week, 11 undergraduate students, 1 DNP student, 3 PhD students and 7 faculty from the School of Nursing attended the Eastern Nursing Research Society 34th Annual Scientific Sessions, presenting 8 posters and 2 papers. This was Stony Brook's largest representation to date at this prestigious conference. Dr. Tina Abbate and her undergraduate students' poster, "Formulating and Intervention to Decrease Compassion Fatigue Among CTICU Nurses: An Evidence Based Project" was well received.

CLINICAL UPDATES

Quality Assessment Review Board (QARB)

The SBUH Quality Assessment Review Board had a productive meeting last week. The Board received an update on Stony Brook Medicine, quality and health equity, and strategy and transformation. During the meeting, the Board raised important questions and points, including questions about the search for a cancer center director. A crucial role, there were questions about the type of background needed for that position. Food insecurities and length of stay are also essential factors in patient care, and these issues were also discussed.

East End Hospitals

Stony Brook Eastern Long Island Hospital and Stony Brook Southampton Hospital Joint Advisory Committees have received positive feedback regarding the attention that SBM leadership is providing to these hospitals. Staff recruitment is a key focus area for these committees and a critical issue for hospitals under the auspices of Dr. Todd Griffin, Vice Dean for Clinical Affairs and Vice President for Clinical Services.



Strategy and Transformation

A survey to gather input on Mission, Vision, and Values was sent this week to all staff. Responses will help guide the next phase of the Stony Brook Medicine strategic planning process. The senior management team completed a competitive market assessment with the help of our marketing agency, and executive champions are being assigned work streams to focus on. In addition, a new sponsorship process is being rolled out to ensure the image presented to the community via event sponsorship and marketing align with the strategic plan.

Search Updates

Tim Brown will become the new Chief Communications and Marketing Officer for Stony Brook Medicine on April 13 from the University of Chicago Medicine, where he served as the Executive Director of Marketing. Tim has over 30 years of marketing and communications experience and has been recognized for his innovative and impactful marketing campaigns, strategic media relations, and ability to effectively communicate complex healthcare and social issues. SBM is continuing a national search for a new Stony Brook Cancer Center Director.

Southampton Hospital CAO

After 16 years of dedicated service to East End communities, Bob Chaloner will be stepping down as Chief Administrative Officer of Stony Brook Southampton Hospital. Bob will continue to serve as the Chief Administrative Officer while a nationwide search for a Stony Brook Southampton Hospital leader commences. Bob plans to remain engaged in the local community by supporting efforts to build a new hospital facility on our Stony Brook Southampton campus.

Development

It is only with the support of donors that we can fully meet the needs of our patients and their families. SBM remains grateful for their and all of our donors' generosity in helping us meet the needs of families in our region. As of this month, FY23 total raised \$19.3M (FY23 Goal: \$31.3M – almost double the average raised the last three years. Highlights include:

- \$4M for Endowed Cancer Center Directorship
- \$3M for Endowed Chair in Neurosciences and Bipolar Disorder Research
- \$3M for Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Psychosocial Services
- \$3M for Pediatric Emergency Dept. Expansion Fund
- \$1.5M for an Endowed Chair in Women's Health

[Match Day](#)

This year, 121 RSOM students successfully matched, with 59 percent staying in New York State and 32 (22 percent) matching into Stony Brook Medicine programs for their training — the highest number in at least the last five years. Of the students who matched, 21 percent will be going into primary care specialties, an especially impactful match as the country faces primary care physician shortages ranging from 21,000 to 55,000 over the next decade.



Stony Brook University Hospital, Stony Brook Children's Hospital and Stony Brook Southampton Hospital matched with students from SUNY schools as well as graduates of other U.S. medical schools granting MD and DO degrees. The ability to attract new residents from around the country demonstrates the strong reputation and desirability of Stony Brook Medicine as an academic health center and training ground for future physicians.

School of Public Health

Huron was selected to conduct a business analysis on the development of a School of Public Health. Huron and Stony Brook Medicine leadership met to discuss the project, and SBM has engaged School of Public Health deans to conduct an external review, including:

- Sandro Galea, Boston University
- Donna Petersen, University of South Florida
- Perry Halkitis, Rutgers University

Town Hall

Stony Brook Medicine held a staff town hall at Southampton campus, which was well attended in person and virtually. Overviews were provided on the status of the new Southampton campus and East Hampton Hospital.

ADDITIONAL SBM NEWS

[School of Social Welfare Celebrates Social Work Month](#)

The School of Social Welfare (SSW) hosted an open house luncheon on March 21 in honor of Social Work Month, to celebrate the hard work of all of the amazing social workers at Stony Brook University, Stony Brook University Hospital and the Long Island State Veterans Home. One hundred sixty two social workers from around campus were invited to join the faculty and staff from SSW for a light lunch and networking.

[Partnership Between School of Social Welfare and School of Nursing Inspires Learning](#)

The School of Social Welfare Office of Field Education, in collaboration with the School of Nursing, held the second Interprofessional Simulation Education event on February 27 for 37 undergraduate and graduate students. This simulation gave students the unique opportunity to reenact real-life situations of two integral case studies in a supportive learning environment. The simulation was led by the Office of Field Education professors and School of Nursing staff and was held in the nursing simulation lab. Both Nursing and Social Work students worked together to develop effective care plans for a patient, while identifying potential risks and ways both professions can better work together to support the patient along with a goal of preventing the patient from returning to the hospital.