

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS

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Hello Rural Program Friends,

Please read on for recent CUSOM Rural Program updates:

This is a final reminder to claim your Rural Preceptor Tax Credit for 2023 if you are eligible! We are also excited to introduce a new (hopefully easier!) process for applying for a Volunteer Clinical Faculty appointment.

In even more exciting news, our Class of 2024 Rural Program students had a successful Match Day, and we are looking forward to sharing more soon!

As always, thank you for all you do to support the next generation of rural healthcare professionals.

Sincerely,

The CUSOM Rural Program Team

Rural Program Website

New, shorter application for a Volunteer Clinical Faculty Appointment

Preceptors involved in teaching and evaluating CU School of Medicine students are required by our accrediting body to have a Volunteer Clinical Faculty appointment, and the CU Office of Medical Education recently rolled out a new, more streamlined application process!

Please fill out **this brief form** to initiate your application and determine the rank for your appointment. If you need a CV template, please find one **here**.

Our team will submit the information to the Office of Community Based Medical Education (OCBME) to process your appointment. OCBME will reach out to you to obtain required information to assign you a systems ID, submit a request for a required background check, and start the process to execute a letter of offer for the volunteer faculty appointment.

Please review our **Teacher Learner Agreement** to be in compliance with the School of Medicine LCME accreditation. For any questions or concerns, please email **SOM.OCBME@cuanschutz.edu**.

If you are not sure if you have a Volunteer Clinical Faculty appointment, please reach out to Rural Program coordinators **Julia Kendrick** or **Melissa Darzins**.

Thank you for completing midpoint evaluations!

We made it through midpoint evaluations for current LIC students - thank you to everyone who

completed an evaluation!

Now that we are in the second half of the LIC, you may be asking how your student should be performing. The Rural LIC syllabus contains benchmarks that provide a general idea of where students should be with their clinical skills by April. You can review those here!

First Year Students Learn Ultrasound Techniques from CU Sports Medicine Fellow

CU Sports Medicine Fellow Nathan Howell visited our first year Rural Program elective this month for a session on joint aspiration and injection. Dr. Howell showed the students how they can use ultrasound to analyze joint fluid and identify sites of joint puncture, while Dr. Deutchman gave the shirt off his back for the Rural Program!





Last Call! Rural and Frontier Health Care Preceptor Tax Credit

Primary Care preceptors who teach for 4 weeks/20 days in a rural or frontier county may be eligible for a \$1000 tax credit. Click here to review eligibility information.

If you are eligible for this tax credit, please complete the 2023 form and return it to a representative of the institution your students attend for certification. For CU Rural Program preceptors, please submit your completed form using this link. Our team will be notified of your submission and will return your certified form via email. You will then need to submit the certified form to the CO Department of Revenue via email: dor_preceptor@state.co.us

If you receive notification from the DOR that the credit has been issued to you, you can claim the credit on your Colorado income tax return.

Please feel free to share this information with anyone in your practice who might also be eligible for this tax credit.

To make sure the DOR has time to process requests before taxes are due, please submit your form to our team for certification using this link as soon as possible!

If you are a Family Medicine physician and haven't already done so, please consider taking a minute to complete **this survey** from our friends in the CUSOM Department of Family Medicine about the incentives and barriers that impact medical student clinical teaching. Please feel free to share this survey with your FM colleagues.

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