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to: CU DFM

from: All of us

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In gratitude, the DFM Executive Leadership Team and administrative leaders have created a Tribute video for you.

[Watch the DFM Holiday Tribute](#)

REMINDER: University operations at the CU Anschutz Medical Campus will be officially closed from end of business on Friday, December 22, through Monday, January 1, 2024. Regular business will resume on Tuesday, January 2.

Clinical Call-Outs!

Michael Dewey, DO

"Dr. Dewey is always friendly and non-judgmental. He takes time and listens, asks good questions, and makes me feel like what I say matters."

Location: UCHealth Family Medicine - Westminster

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Steve Ryan, MD

"Dr. Ryan has been my provider for several years. I trust him very much because he listens attentively, he is very thorough with his care, and actively seeks answers to accurately diagnose each illness I have. He follows up with phone calls to see how I'm doing and to provide test results. He also genuinely cares about me as his patient. He takes "family medicine" to heart, and wishes to treat the family in its entirety. He has seen my daughter as a patient, and referred her to a female doctor in his practice because my daughter feels more comfortable with a female doctor for gynecological care. All in all, I feel safe and well cared for with my medical needs in Dr. Ryan's care. I would refer him to anyone needing medical care in my community."

Location: CU Medicine Family Medicine - Centennial

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NPR's All Things Considered: "Can family doctors deliver rural America from its maternal health crisis?"

Mark Deutchman, MD, was recently featured on NPR's All Things Considered:

Mark Deutchman, the report's lead author, said he was "on call for 12 years" when he worked in a town of 2,000 residents in rural Washington. Clarifying that he was exaggerating, Deutchman explained that he was one of just two local doctors who performed cesarean sections. He said the best way to ensure family physicians can bolster obstetric units is to make sure they work as part of a team to prevent burnout, rather than as solo do-it-all doctors of old. There needs to be a core group of physicians, nurses, and a supportive hospital administration to share the workload "so that somebody isn't on call 365 days a year," said Deutchman...

[Read the Full Article or Listen to the Segment](#)

DFM Strategic Planning Resource Center

As the department's strategic planning process moves forward, many on the DFM team are asking for a reminder on how to keep abreast of the latest developments and how to contribute ideas or ask questions.

As always, you are welcome to reach out to any one of our colleagues on the strategic planning steering committee or drop us a line.

The steering committee list of names and email contacts AND the link to the strategic planning ideas/questions form are all in one place that is easy to find. The DFM Intranet!

[Visit the Site](#)

Trainings



Enroll in the HEAL Foundations in Health Equity Certificate

DFM is prioritizing enrollment in the Foundations in Equity Certificate, with new dates having been offered for 2024. So much of learning about diversity, equity, inclusion, and anti-racism (DEIA) comes from interacting with colleagues from different backgrounds in a setting with strong facilitators. As our department has grown, and we have worked to live up to these DEIA values, it's important that we impart people with tools and give them a space to grow no matter where they are in their journey. Many of our departmental leaders, including our Chair, are leading by example and signing up for this program. The certificate consists of a 4-part module; each 90 minutes and delivered in-person (except for one set of virtual offerings reserved for remote employees).

[Learn More and Enroll Today](#)

Mentorship Academy 2023 Recording

The 2023 Mentorship Academy recording is live! Please find your way there if you are looking for refreshers on the content covered or want to experience the day first-hand.

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