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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## School of Medicine Survey

On Tuesday, January 9, the School of Medicine's Dean Reilly announced an incentivized survey for all faculty (who are at least 50% FTE), residents, and fellows. Thanks to your time and effort, **the DFM is the first department within the School to have a 50% response rate!** Let's keep driving that percentage higher--check your email for your individualized link and know that all responses are confidential. Thank you for your time!

## Recognition

As we complete the first month of 2024, and approach February, we have a few upcoming opportunities to celebrate and uphold colleagues and communities:

**Black History Month:** February is Black History Month. Among myriad educational and celebratory resources, please take a moment to [appreciate this American Academy of Family Physicians \(AAFP\) timeline](#) recognizing the significant achievements and contributions of Black Americans within the medical profession.

**Patient Recognition Week:** Established as a reminder for those within the healthcare industry to recommit to patient satisfaction (something we excel at!), [Patient Recognition Week](#) takes place annually from February 1-7.

**National Women Physicians Day:** [Women Physicians Day](#), or Women in Medicine Day, is celebrated annually on February 3, and recognizes the pioneering achievements and ongoing contributions of female physicians in the field of healthcare.

# NEWS AND PUBLICATIONS



## **American Academy of Family Physicians: Medicare Coverage of Continuous Glucose Monitoring**

On January 18, **Sean Oser, MD, MPH, and Tamara**

**Oser, MD**, published an American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) supplement in which they "discuss the potential utility of [continuous glucose monitoring (CGM)] in diabetes management, explore the updated Medicare coverage criteria, review CGM systems cleared by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and consider key steps involved in prescribing CGM and potential challenges."



[Read the Full Supplement](#)



### **STFM Offers Support and Resources to New and Transitioning Residency Learning Networks**

**Program Director for the University of Colorado's Family Medicine Residency Corey Lyon, DO**, has partnered with the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) and the American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM) foundation to lead a project with a goal to develop support for residency programs across the nation to form or join Learning Networks which are great opportunities for programs to collaborate, share, and learn from each other.



[Read About the Recent STFM Summit](#)

## CLINICAL CALLOUTS



*Patients are saying some nice things about our DFM clinicians:*

### **Sara Pope, MD, MPH, BS**

"Dr. Pope always listens - as opposed to hearing - what I have to say. She actively participates in my care. She also makes me laugh; and laughter is some of the best medicine! Highly recommended."

**Location:** UCHealth Family Medicine - Boulder

[Faculty Bio](#)



**Cara Rabin, DO**

"Dr Rabin is a wonderful doctor. I had a teleconference with her about my Covid symptoms during which she asked thoughtful questions and listened carefully to my responses. Even through the split screen I could tell she was genuinely concerned about my symptoms, and she helped me understand how we could get me feeling better."



**Location:** CU Medicine Family Medicine - Centennial

[Faculty Bio](#)

# AWARDS



Take advantage of your chance to nominate your colleagues for a DFM award. Follow the button link below to learn more about each award and follow the "Nominate" links to register your nominations.

Please be sure to confirm that the person that you're nominating has not won the award in the past five years. Honorees will be recognized at the 2024 DFM Spring Fling event (save the date below).



**Submit Your Nominations Today**

# EVENTS AND MEETINGS



**Listed by date:**

**Be Well Series - Taking Action to Dismantle Racist Systems:** *Every Tuesday from February 6-27, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. - McGlone Academy, 4500 Crown Blvd, Denver, CO 80239*

[Sign up](#) to attend this four-part series with topics including: The History of Race and Racism with Blair Rose Zaid, PhD; Racism is a Public Health Crisis with Cerise Hunt, PhD, MSW; Implicit Bias: What's Next? with Nicole Tuitt, DrPH, MPH; and The Power of Collective Action with Donna Mejia. Sponsored by the Denver branch of the NAACP and [Be Well](#).

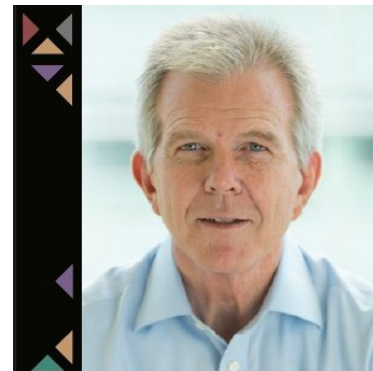
**February DFM Monthly Meeting – Communications Resources:** *Wednesday, February 14, from 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. - P12-2010/2011 Donald M. Elliman Conference Center, Health Sciences Building OR Zoom*

Departmental reminders and a Communications Resources presentation with CU Communications Director for Research Megan Lane and CU DFM Communications Program Manager Liz Campbell. Lunch will be served for in-person attendees beginning at 11:45 a.m. The meeting will begin, and will be broadcast on Zoom, beginning at 12:00 p.m. [Register to attend in-person](#) by 2/8 so we may plan for lunch. Or, [save the day-of Zoom link](#). Details are reflected on the DFM intranet and your Outlook calendars.

**February DFM Community Engagement Program Monthly Meeting - Youth Healthcare Alliance:** *Tuesday, February 20, at 12:00 p.m. Details to Follow*

**Celebration for Distinguished Professor Frank deGruy:** *Tuesday, March 12, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. - P12-2010/2011 Donald M. Elliman Conference Center, Health Sciences Building*

Join us in-person to celebrate Dr. Frank deGruy who was recently named as a CU Distinguished Professor. The title recognizes outstanding contributions in research, education, and service. We are honored to recognize Dr. deGruy for his accomplishments and steadfast commitment to the DFM. [Register to attend today](#).



**SAVE THE DATE - DFM Spring Fling:** *Friday, April 26, from 5:30-9:30 p.m. at Balistreri Vineyards.*

# WELL-BEING RESOURCES



## **DFM Intranet Repository**

Well-being is an important aspect of our departmental

culture. On the DFM intranet you will find a list of informational links to help celebrate colleagues, find mental health and crisis resources, clarify or free-up your administrative pursuits and more!

[Check it out.](#)



### Happy Place

The aim of the Happy Place initiative is to support clinicians in pursuing a passion area as a part of their clinical work, highlight areas of clinician interest to increase cross clinic/clinician knowledge and provide opportunities for connection. Our newest submission comes from Juanita Melau about her love of in-office procedures.



[Read about Juanita's Happy Place and submit your own!](#)

# SUPPORTING THE DFM



Payroll deduction, a one-time gift, planned giving... Showing your support for DFM is easy. More importantly, it helps ensure we can continue to do the good work that we do!

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