



Monthly Newsletter

Check out the latest and greatest news from the DFM. Note that this will be the last formal departmental newsletter sent in 2024.

News and Publications



The Power of Gratitude

Celebrating and Understanding National Gratitude Month This Holiday Season.

As November has just come to a close, we look back at National Gratitude Month; a time to stop and reflect on who, and what, we are grateful for, while acknowledging all the positives in our life. As we well know, November resides in one of the most stressful and busiest times of the year. The idea of pausing and saying "thanks" can often be the last thing on our everlasting to-do list. This is due, in part, to the fact that we are programmed to continuously problem solve and unconsciously focus on the negative. [Read the full article.](#)



This Year's Maurice Wood Award Honoree

Perry Dickinson, MD



Perry Dickinson, MD, Professor in the Department of Family Medicine and Emeritus Director of the Practice Innovation Program, has been awarded the prestigious 2024 Maurice Wood Award for Lifetime Contribution to Primary Care Research. [Read more about Perry and this award.](#)



Program Coordinator Council's New Chair Elect

Chloe Finke, C-TAGME

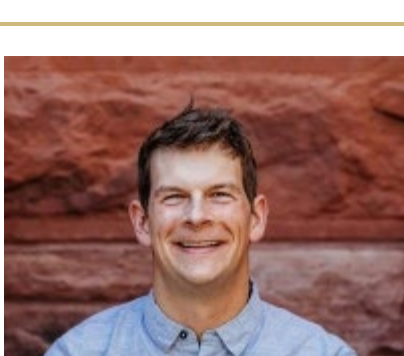


Chloe Finke, BS, C-TAGME, Lead Program Coordinator, has been appointed as the new Chair Elect of the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Program Coordinator Council (PCC). [Read more about Chloe and this exciting new appointment.](#)



Fatal drug overdoses in Denver and across Colorado show declines through first half of 2024

Tyler Coyle, MD



Tyler Coyle, MD, MS, Assistant Professor working with the Addiction Medicine Fellowship was recently quoted in the Denver Post article: "[Fatal drug overdoses in Denver and across Colorado show declines through first half of 2024.](#)"



Lessons on Leadership from Leads: Leadership Education for Academic Development and Success

Myra Muramoto, MD, MPH, FAAFP

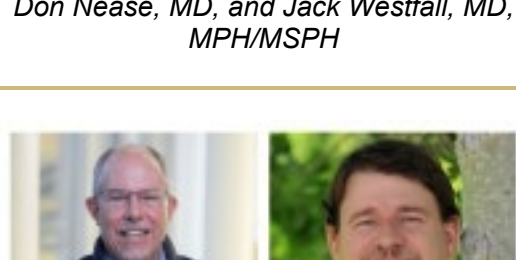


Myra Muramoto, MD, MPH, FAAFP and Chair of the Department of Family Medicine is the Director of the Leadership Education for Academic Development and Success (LEADS) fellowship. Read about the development and successes of this fellowship [in this recent Annals of Family Medicine publication.](#)



Practice-Based Research Networks: Asphalt on the Blue Highways of Primary Care Research

Don Nease, MD, and Jack Westfall, MD, MPH/MSPH



Don Nease, MD, and Jack Westfall, MD, MPH/MSPH, working as consultants with Dartmouth and the Northern New England CO-OP (one of the oldest PBRNs in the country) helped co-author "Practice-Based Research Networks: Asphalt on the Blue Highways of Primary Care Research" which is part of a series of papers arising from the Family Medicine Research Summit that preceded last year's North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG) conference. Read more about this work [in the publication.](#)



Implementing a Holistic Review Toolkit for Faculty Recruitment and Retention

Cleveland Piggott, MD, MPH



Cleveland Piggott, MD, MPH is an author on "Implementing a Holistic Review Toolkit for Faculty Recruitment and Retention." From the publication: A diverse workforce improves health care, educational outcomes, and research agendas. Currently, faculty from historically excluded groups remain underrepresented in academic medicine. Resources are needed in academic medical centers for those charged with recruiting and retaining a diverse and talented workforce. Therefore the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) developed and piloted a toolkit for use in faculty recruitment and retention at five academic medical centers. [Read more about this publication.](#)

Clinical Callouts

Katherin Compton, DO

"Dr. Compton is a FABULOUS doctor. She genuinely cares, remembers the patient and issues, is competent, knowledgeable, and gains trust and respect immediately upon meeting her. I am an established patient and wouldn't go to anyone else."

Location: CU Medicine Family Medicine - Landmark - Greenwood Village

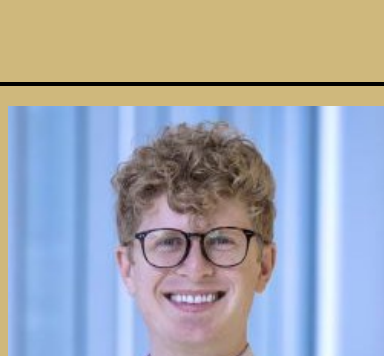


Faculty Bio

Dylan Sabb, MD, MPH

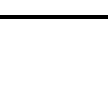
"The services that I have received for years from UCH are excellent! Dr. Dylan Sabb and the staff are knowledgeable, friendly and compassionate. He ensures that I am properly informed about my health and care options. He, and other medical persons with me during this appointment, answered all my questions and were never in a hurry and showed true concern. I highly recommend this clinic and excellent Dr. Sabb. I am so happy to now have him as my PCP!"

Location: Boulder Family Medicine - Boulder



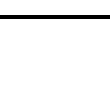
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Events and Meetings



December DFM Monthly Meeting

December 11 | 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Nighthorse Campbell Native Health (M24) - M24-110 Shore Family Forum OR Zoom

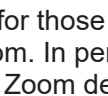


December Health Policy Journal Club

December 16 | 7:00 p.m.
In-person or on Zoom

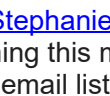
Let's gather together to chat and celebrate our colleagues over lunch for this December monthly meeting. We will have a Brief Presentation by Executive Leadership Team (ELT) and then we will have informal time to socialize with friends and colleagues. Breakout room options will be provided for those who would like to attend via Zoom. In person registration has now closed. Zoom details will be in your calendar invitation. Need the invite or have questions? [Contact Liz Campbell.](#)

The health policy journal club is an interdisciplinary, inter-professional group convened monthly by the Farley Health Policy Center to discuss timely topics in health policy. The journal club is held in the evenings with options to join in person (with dinner!) in the Denver metro area, or virtually. [Email Stephanie Gold](#) if you are interested in joining this month and/or to be added to the email list going forward. She will provide in-person location details and pre-reading materials.



January DFM Monthly Meeting

January 8 | 11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Academic Office 1 (L15) - L15-7000 E. Chester Ridgway Board Room 7th floor OR Zoom



ACCORDS, CCTSI, CIDA Pragmatic Research Planning Workshop

February 14 and 28
In-person or on Zoom

Lauren S. Hughes, MD, MPH, MSc, MHCD, FFAFP, and Kyle Leggett, MD, will present an Introduction to the 2025 Colorado Legislative Session on behalf of the Farley Health Policy Center. [Register to attend in person by Thursday, January 2 \(this is soon after the new year so register early!\)](#). Zoom details will be in your calendar invitation. If you are struggling to access the Google registration form please [email Liz Campbell](#) me directly and she will register for you.

[Register now](#) for the new ACCORDS, CCTSI, and CIDA Pragmatic Research Planning Workshop. The winter 2025 workshop is open to members at all [CCTSI partnering institutions](#), including clinical and translational researchers, dissemination and implementation scientists, and health services and public health researchers. Investigators currently developing grant proposals for pragmatic studies will be prioritized for selection. Learn more at the registration link.

Resources

[DFM Intranet](#)

[CU Celebrates!](#)

[The Strategic Plan](#)

[Departmental Well-being](#)

Supporting the DFM

Interested in understanding how to promote the department to those who have expressed an interest in providing financial support? Or looking for options for payroll deduction, a one-time gift, or planned giving? Learning about ways to show support for the DFM could not be easier and, more importantly, philanthropic participation helps ensure we can continue to do the good work that we do! [Check out our giving page](#) and feel free to share if anyone asks for more information.

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