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Dr. Cyrus Hajiran Expands Medical Students' LGBTQ Cultural Competence Training



Dr. Cyrus Hajiran is a first year Family Medicine resident and is both a Rural Scholar and Diversity & Disability Fellow. During his pediatric clerkship, he worked with Dr. Kacie Kidd on an LGBTQ training workshop she created to increase physician knowledge about LGBTQ healthcare needs. Cyrus expanded the workshop by adding an interactive training component in the simulation center.

Learners now get to engage in four scenarios with standardized patients: (1) A patient comes out to them; (2) A trans patient comes in for care; (3) A lesbian patient asks about screening for cervical cancer; and (4) A male patient who identifies as straight but has sex with men comes in for care. The cultural competence training seeks to increase knowledge about gender and sexual orientation as well as to provide guidance on language, pronouns, stereotype avoidance, and taking a sexual history for LGBTQ patients.

The expanded LGBTQ cultural competence training has been offered to two rotations of medical students thus far, and will continue to be offered during every 8-week rotation of new medical students. Cyrus is collecting evaluation data for each training and looks forward to presenting and publishing the results in the future. In the meantime he continues to look for ways to improve, such as by incorporating more interactivity into the lecture portion of the training in the future.

Faculty Mentorship Strengths

Our faculty have a wealth of expertise, and Family Medicine residents and students are encouraged to seek them out for guidance. Listed below you'll find each faculty member's strengths:

Amie Ashcraft, PhD, MPH: Survey research; intervention development; program evaluation; qualitative research; writing; editing; grant writing; poster and oral presentations; adolescents; prevention; decision making; sex education

Erika Bodkins, MD: Outpatient medicine; clinical operations; didactic curriculum development

Barbara Cubic, PhD: Psychological testing; psychotherapy; interpersonal and communication skills; grant writing; article reviews

Richard Dattola, MD: Career development

Vincent DeLaGarza, MD: Geriatric medicine

Greg Doyle, MD: Procedures, career development

Megan Elavsky, PharmD: Diabetes, polypharmacy, COPD, anticoagulation, and dementia care

Treah Haggerty, MD: mHealth, obesity, rural populations

Karen Fitzpatrick, MD: QI; population health; value-based healthcare; PCMH; understanding Medicare billing including implementing new Medicare services

Dana King, MD, MS: Overall clinical research process; cardiovascular risk and healthy lifestyles/clinical nutrition; writing grants and journal articles; oral presentations

Michael Maroon, DO: Outpatient medicine; teaching

Guy Monteleone, MD: Residency curriculum and planning; musculoskeletal medicine

Amy Moyers, MD: women's health, obstetrics; primary care POC ultrasound; physician wellness and burnout prevention

Jason Oreskovich, DO: Acupuncture; osteopathic manipulation; teaching medical students

Shaylee Peckens, MD: PCMH, QI, and COPD/asthma

Jason Peklinsky, MD: Inpatient-related QI/scholarly activity; family medicine education integration for medication-assisted therapy (Suboxone) for addiction; resident education and wellness

Melody Phillips, MD: nutrition counseling and culinary medicine; women's health

Charlie Ponte, PharmD, BC-ADM, BCPS, CDE, CPE, FADE, FAPhA, FASHP, FCCP, FNAP: Diabetes; pain management; education and instruction; women's health; writing and editing; case reports; reviews; letters to the editor, opinions/editorials; survey research

New Research Faculty



Dr. Amie Ashcraft joined the Department of Family Medicine in July 2018 after working as a Research Manager for WVU Research Corporation the last 5 years. Her graduate education focused on Experimental/Social Psychology and Epidemiology. She completed a postdoctoral fellowship in HIV Prevention at UCSF's Center for AIDS Prevention Studies. Dr. Ashcraft's role in the department is to support scholarly among the faculty and residents. She will be helping our QI teams and specialty clinics to write up and present their data, and she is planning to begin evaluation research with the WVU STEPS Center. If you have an idea for a project but don't know where to begin, or if you need help with an ongoing project, contact her at 304-581-1889 or amashcraft@hsc.wvu.edu.

Faculty Mentorship Strengths (cont'd)

Joe Selby, MD: Clinical operations; opioids and substance abuse; medical marijuana; psychiatry and primary care

Carl Shrader, MD, PhD: Women's sexual and reproductive health; writing case reports; procedures; career development

Kendra Unger, MD: Integrative medicine, acupuncture; chronic pain; physician wellness; outpatient care

Dorian Williams: Simulation education; women's health; procedural competencies; education; career development; clinical trials/patient safety

Recent Publications

Serrano N, Cordes C, **Cubic B**, Daub S. (June 2018). The state and future of the primary care behavioral health model of service delivery workforce. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings*, 25 (2), 157-168.

Downs JS, **Ashcraft AM**, Murray P, et al. (June 2018). Video intervention to increase perceived self-efficacy for condom use in a randomized controlled trial of female adolescents. *Journal of Pediatric & Adolescent Gynecology*, 31(3), 291-298.

King DE, Xiang J, Pilkerton CS. (Jul - Aug 2018). Multimorbidity trends in United States adults, 1988-2014. *Journal of the American Board of Family Medicine*, 31(4), 503-513.

Sedney CL, **Haggerty TS**, Dekeseredy P. (Oct-Dec 2018). A short weight loss intervention in a neurosurgical subspecialist clinical setting. *Journal of Neurosciences in Rural Practice*, 9(4), 492-495.

Haggerty TS, Lewis W, Plaughter C, **Xiang J**, Radcliff E, Whanger S, Baus A. (In press). Residents' views on research and quality improvement training can guide practice-based research network collaboration. *West Virginia Medical Journal*.

Upcoming Conferences

September 2018

20-21: Hal Wanger Family Medicine Conference, Morgantown, WV

November 2018

2-6: American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC), Austin, TX

5: Integrative Conference on Technology, Social Media, and Behavioral Health, Pittsburgh, PA

9-13: North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG), Chicago, IL

10-12: American Heart Association, Chicago, IL

December 2018

6-9: Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) Conference or Practice Improvement, Tampa, FL

January 2019

26-30: International Meeting for Simulation in Health Care (IMSH), San Antonio, TX

31-Feb 3: STFM Conference on Medical Student Education, Jacksonville, FL

March 2019

6-9: Society for Adolescent Health & Medicine (SAHM), Washington, DC

21-22: Van Liere Research Conference, Morgantown, WV

April 2019

27-May 1: STFM Annual Meeting, Toronto, Ontario, CAN

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