Nephrology Division Newsletter March – April 2015



Announcements

- We bid farewell to our Division Manager, Jennifer Tapken, who left to take a position as the HR Business Operations Manager. This is a promotion for her and we wish her the very best. Kelly McNeill, who is the current the Division Manager for the Division of General Internal Medicine, will be filling in as DM. We thank Jennifer for her years of service and express our appreciation for Kelly helping us out in the interim.
- Dr. Ramin Sam has recently become medical director of a newly opened Fresenius dialysis unit at Potrero Hill.



Fellowship Program

- Mitchell Lunn, MD was recently notified that his application for a Ben J. Lipps Research Fellowship was selected for funding from the ASN Foundation for Kidney Research. The title of his project is "Validation of patient-performed smartphonebased albuminuria quantification." Mitch also recently got a UCSF RAP (Resource Allocation Program) Digital Health Research Grant on "Utilizing electronic mobile technologies in a longitudinal cohort study of sexual and gender minority health."
- Dr. Mitch Lunn recently published the following first author manuscript: Lunn MR, Obedin-Maliver J, Hsu CY. Increasing incidence of acute kidney injury: also a problem in pregnancy? Am J Kidney Dis. 2015 Jan 7. pii: S0272-6386(14)01443-7. doi: 10.1053/j.ajkd.2014.11.007. [Epub ahead of print]

He has also has had several other papers published recently including - Goldstein MJ, Lunn MR, Peng L. What makes a top research medical school? A call for a new model to evaluate academic physicians and medical school performance. Acad Med. 2015 Jan 20. [Epub ahead of print]

-Mansh M, Garcia G, Lunn MR. From patients to providers: changing the culture in medicine toward sexual and gender minorities. Acad Med. 2015 Feb 3. [Epub ahead of print]

-Mansh M, White W, Gee-Tong L, Lunn MR, Obedin-Maliver J, Stewart L, Goldsmith E, Brenman S, Tran E, Wells M, Fetterman D, Garcia G. Sexual and gender minority identity disclosure during undergraduate medical education: "in the closet" in medical school. Acad Med. 2015 Feb 16. [Epub ahead of print]



Accomplishments and Awards

- Dr. Julie Ishida's K23 titled "Facilitating appropriate analgesic prescription in hemodialysis patients" has been funded by the NIDDK. Julie will be joining the faculty at SFVAMC as an Assistant Professor this coming academic year.
- Dr. Meyeon Park was recently notified that her proposal: "Novel methods of detecting kidney allograft dysfunction" will be funded by UCSF RAP (Resource)

Allocation Program) as a Pilot for Junior Investigators in Basic and Clinical/Translational Sciences.

A team of nephrology faculty members led by Dr. Lowell Lo received a 2015-2016 Education Innovations Funding award from the Haile T. Debas Academy of Medical Educators, collaborating with the UCSF Program in Interprofessional Education and the UCSF Library and Center for Knowledge Management. The title of Dr. Lo's project is "Applying critical kidney physiology in the clinical world."

Congratulations to all our award-winning faculty, fellows and staff.