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### **Oct 29 - Indiana University School of Medicine Graduate Medical Education Elects Officers**

The 2010 elected officers for the Indiana University School of Medicine Graduate Medicine Education (IU GME) House Staff Forum have been announced. They are:

- President: Peter Schilt, MD, resident in otolaryngology
- Vice-President: Dinorah Milner, MD, resident in family medicine

The IU GME House Staff Forum provides residents and fellows a quarterly forum for communication and discussion about the work environment of IU GME programs.

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### **Oct 1 - IU School of Medicine Division of Diversity Affairs is Growing**

The Division of Diversity Affairs is a newly created division – replacing the Office of Multicultural Affairs – within the Dean’s Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

Several key individuals comprise the Division of Diversity Affairs team. They are:

- Overall Direction: George Rausch, EdD, associate dean for Diversity Affairs
- Faculty Recruitment and Development: Javier F. Sevilla Martir, MD, assistant dean for Diversity Affairs
- Resident Recruitment and Retention: Sheryl Allen, MD, assistant dean for Diversity Affairs
- Diversity Outreach Comprehensive Science (DOCS) pipeline initiative: Fred Hamilton, director
- Director of Student Support Services and Academic Enrichment: Open Position
- Administrative Support: Rita Flynn, administrative specialist

For more information, visit [faculty.medicine.iu.edu/offices/da](http://faculty.medicine.iu.edu/offices/da).

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### **Oct 1 - This Week on *Sound Medicine***

This weekend, Saturday, Oct. 2, and Sunday, Oct. 3, Sound Medicine will report two stories on a unique health outreach effort taking place at African American barber shops and beauty salons.

For many African Americans, barber shops are social gathering spots, making them ideal places for disseminating health-care information. Pittsburgh-based health reporter Erika Beras will visit a local barber shop where stylists and patrons frequently chat about their lives, including their health.

Minority outreach expert Lora Ann Bray will talk with Sound Medicine’s Barbara Lewis about the Health Advocates in Reach (HAIR) program developed by the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health’s Center for Minority Health. Bray will explain the treatments offered to patrons and the training provided for barbers.

The flu season will be the focus of two stories this week. Indiana University internist Theresa Rohr-Kirchgraber, MD, will discuss the simplified, “universal” flu shot recommended for this flu season and epidemiologist Arnold Monto, MD, from the University of Michigan School of Public Health, will explain why we can stop worrying about a swine flu pandemic. Dr. Monto is a member of the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee for Pandemic H1N1 Influenza.

In this week’s installment of Sound Medicine’s “Patient Listening” series, Rich Frankel, PhD, professor of medicine at IUSM, meets with Shobha Pais, PhD, director behavioral science IUSM, to discuss the thorny issue of physician burnout.

In this week’s Checkup feature, Jeremy Shere, PhD, learns about an unusual medical curriculum that favors humanities to hard science courses at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York City. Director of the school’s Humanities in Medicine program, Miki Rifkin, PhD, explains the reasoning behind this non-traditional approach to medical training. Dr. Rifkin is also associate dean at Mount Sinai’s Graduate School of Biological Sciences.

For archived editions of Sound Medicine, as well as other helpful information, visit [www.soundmedicine.iu.edu](http://www.soundmedicine.iu.edu).

Sound Medicine is produced by IUSM in conjunction with WFYI Public Radio. The show is underwritten by Clarian Health, IU Medical Group and IUPUI. Reports on Primary Health Care topics are sponsored by Wishard Health Services.

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### **Sep 27 - Family Medicine Residency Program Expands to Bring More Doctors to Lafayette Area**

INDIANAPOLIS -- A \$1.9 million federal grant will enable the Indiana University Department of Family Medicine to expand its residency program to the Lafayette, Ind., area with the goal of increasing the number of family physicians training and practicing in rural and urban underserved areas of west central Indiana.

The grant for the [IU Methodist Family Medicine Residency](#) program, from the [Health Resources and Services Administration](#), was funded as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

The residency program, in which new physicians receive specialized training following graduation from medical school, currently accepts 10 doctors annually for additional training as family physicians. The grant will enable the program to add two new residency slots in collaboration with [Clarian Arnett Health](#), [St. Elizabeth Regional Health](#) and [Riggs Community Health Center in Lafayette](#).

"This grant will begin what we plan to become a permanent involvement in Tippecanoe and surrounding counties," said Sharron Grannis, M.D., director of the IU Methodist Family Medicine Residency and assistant professor of clinical family medicine. "We are committed to providing a primary care workforce trained to meet the needs of all populations but particularly both rural and urban underserved."

Like many states, Indiana faces the challenges of both a shortage and a maldistribution of primary care providers. Thirty percent of Indiana's counties are designated as **Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Areas** and more than half (54 percent) of Indiana's counties are **Medically Underserved Areas** in whole or in part.

Lafayette is the seat of Tippecanoe County, which is entirely a Medically Underserved Area and is surrounded by five counties that in whole or in part are designated medically underserved or health professional shortage areas. Currently, no primary care residency program exists in this region.

"We know that primary care is associated with better health outcomes, lower health care costs, and greater equity in health. We are thrilled about what this expansion program will bring to the state of Indiana, our need to address medically underserved areas, and projected primary care workforce shortages," said Mary Dankoski, Ph.D., co-chair of the Department of Family Medicine at the IU School of Medicine, located on the campus of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.

Specific goals of the project are to increase the recruitment of medical students to the Lafayette area for training and recruit 50 percent of the residency class from underrepresented/disadvantaged backgrounds. Other goals include, upon residency graduation, to retain 75 percent of family medicine physicians within a 50-mile radius from Lafayette and place 50 percent of family medicine physicians in clinical sites to care for medically underserved populations.

The expansion of the residency program will be effective in July 2011.

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## Sep 7 - Long Hospital and Clinical Building Names Change

Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) has officially renamed two of the campus' longest-standing buildings. The former Robert W. Long Hospital has been renamed Long Hall and the former Willis D. Gatch Clinical Building has been renamed Gatch Hall.

The changes were made in order to better reflect the buildings' actual uses while still preserving their historical associations for the campus. Long Hospital had been named in honor of the Indianapolis physician who had been its first endowment contributor. The Gatch Clinical Building, named for the former Indiana University School of Medicine dean (1932-46), once served as a training facility for thousands of health care professionals.

Revisions to the campus map and signage to reflect these new names will soon be in place.

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## Sep 7 - Nalin Completes Leadership Development Course

Peter Nalin, MD, interim executive associate dean for educational affairs, associate dean for graduate medical education and associate professor of clinical family medicine, has completed the Graduate Medical Education Leadership Development Course sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges Group on Resident Affairs Steering committee.

The 40-plus hour course is designed to help participants fulfill their responsibilities as graduate medical education leaders.

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## Jul 19 - Clinical Programs Earn Top Rankings

Eleven clinical programs at Clarian Health-Indiana University School of Medicine are ranked among the top 50 national programs in U.S. News & World Report's 2010-2011 edition of American's Best Hospitals.

Only 152 of the 4,852 hospitals evaluated nationwide performed well enough to rank in even one specialty. Clarian Health hospitals are the only Indiana hospitals included in the rankings.

Clarian-IUSM has been recognized by America's Best Hospitals for 13 consecutive years. Clinical programs recognized by U.S. News & World Report and their numerical rankings are:

- Urology: 13th
- Gastroenterology: 14th
- Geriatrics: 25th
- Ears, Nose and Throat: 25th
- Orthopedics: 29th
- Pulmonology: 2nd
- Kidney Disorders: 38th
- Neurology & Neurosurgery: 40th
- Cancer: 40th
- Diabetes & Endo: 8th
- Heart & Heart Surgery: 49th

The rankings in 12 of the 16 specialties were driven by data such as death rates, procedure volume, and balance of nurses and patients. In the four remaining specialties—ophthalmology, psychiatry, rehabilitation and rheumatology—hospitals were ranked on reputation alone.

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## Jun 29 - Indiana AHEC Recipient of NAO 2010 Eugene S. Mayer Program of Excellence Award

The Indiana AHEC Network was recognized this past week at the 2010 NAO Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. There are 48 States with AHEC Programs and Indiana was the

recipient of the NAO 2010 Eugene S. Mayer Program of Excellence Award. There were 13 states nominated for this award and Indiana was selected.

The Eugene S. Mayer Program of Excellence Award is given in honor Dr. Gene Mayer, who provided dedicated leadership to the North Carolina AHEC Program and the national AHEC movement from 1972 until his death in 1994. The award is given to an entire AHEC Program, including its Centers, based on 1) program comprehensiveness, 2) community and university partnerships, 3) responsiveness to community needs, 4) the degree to which the program has had a significant impact on improving access to health care for the citizens in its state.

This year, the Eugene S. Mayer Program of Excellence Award is presented to the Indiana AHEC Program in recognition of successful strategies, positive outcomes and sustained focus on AHEC's missional objectives—distribution, diversity, and quality of the health workforce—partnership philosophy and consistent focus on medically underserved communities in Indiana.

These strategies focus health professions student training in facilities and with providers who predominately care for medically underserved communities. These strategies focus on steadily increasing the participation of minority and disadvantaged youth. These strategies focus continuing education not to just any clinician, but to clinicians in safety-net clinical environments, linking them not just to any content, but to content particularly relevant to the underserved patients they care for.

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### **Jun 3 - Dankoski Selected as ELAM® Fellow**

Mary E. Dankoski, PhD, has been selected as one of 54 senior women faculty for the 2010-2011 class of fellows at the Hedwig van Ameringen Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) Program for Women at Drexel University College of Medicine. ELAM® is the only national program dedicated to preparing senior women faculty for leadership at academic health centers. The new fellows join a diverse community of leaders and represent over 50 medical, dental, and public health schools from across the United States and Canada.

"Our 16th class of fellows is exceptional for their leadership experience and academic accomplishments. We look forward to being part of their learning and growth as leaders over the coming years," said Diane Magrane, M.D., director of Drexel University College of Medicine's International Center for Executive Leadership in Academics, which hosts the ELAM program. "The ELAM fellowship experience is like no other professional development program for academic faculty. It embeds the learning about strategic organizational change and finance into each fellow's daily organizational work. It provides unique opportunities for self-reflection, application of new skills, and entry into a network of women leaders eager to support each other's advancement."

The ELAM curriculum adapts lessons in executive management and institutional leadership, such as strategic finance, organizational dynamics, and personal and professional effectiveness, to the academic health center environment. The work begins in May with online assignments and community building activities that continue through the end of the program in April 2011. Fellows begin the first of three week-long in-residence sessions when they meet at the ACE Conference Center in Lafayette Hill, PA, on September 25.

"ELAM's success relies upon the powerful partnerships that have developed among the program participants and faculty, its strong network of alumnae and the institutional leaders that provide continuing support," acknowledges Magrane. During their year with ELAM, fellows gain a broader and deeper knowledge of the challenges facing academic health centers through meetings with national leaders in the field, interactions with their peers in the program, and interviews with a wide range of senior officers at their own institutions. Mentorship is a key force in enriching the fellows' departmental and institutional growth.

ELAM's mission is to increase the number of women in senior academic leadership positions. From there, these new appointments would help change the culture of academic health organizations in becoming more accepting of different perspectives and more responsive to societal needs and expectations. Some 20 percent of its 623 graduates currently serve in the highest-level leadership ranks, from associate dean through university president, including:

- Four of the 15 current women deans at U.S. medical schools
- Six of the 12 women deans at U.S. dental schools
- Two of 12 women deans at U.S. public health schools
- In medical schools, 27% of women holding the position of department chairs and 29% of holding positions of associate and vice deans are ELAM graduates

ELAM is a core program of the Institute for Women's Health and Leadership® at Drexel University College of Medicine in Philadelphia, Pa. The Institute continues the legacy of advancing women in medicine that began in 1850 with the founding of the Female Medical College of Pennsylvania, the nation's first women's medical school and a predecessor of today's Drexel University College of Medicine.

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### **May 24 - Renshaw Honored at Indiana University School of Medicine Graduation**

Scott E. Renshaw, M.D., FAAFP, Assistant Professor of Clinical Family Medicine and Clerkship Director, Department of Family Medicine was one of the Indiana University School of Medicine faculty honored at the 2010 Senior Banquet.

Dr. Renshaw was recognized by the graduating class of 2010 for his work with teaching students and received the Clinical Science Faculty Award in Family Medicine. Dr. Renshaw also received this award from the graduating class of 2009.

Below is the complete listing from the 2010 banquet:

- Anesthesia: John Emhardt, M.D.
- Emergency Medicine: Andrew Beckman, M.D.
- Family Medicine: Scott E. Renshaw, M.D.
- Internal Medicine: T. Robert Vu, M.D.
- Neurology: Robert M. Pascuzzi, M.D.
- Obstetrics and Gynecology: Jeffrey Rothenberg, M.D.
- Pediatrics: Mitchell Harris, M.D.
- Psychiatry: Michael DeMotte, M.D.
- Radiology: Richard Gunderman, M.D., Ph.D.
- Surgery: David E. Matthews, M.D.

- Surgery Subspecialty: - Vascular Surgery Dolores Cikrit, M.D.

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## May 14 - Renovations at Riley Hospital for Children Will Boost Pediatric Clinical Research

INDIANAPOLIS — A new research facility at Riley Hospital for Children will dramatically improve the process of turning the results of laboratory research into new treatments for sick children, federal and local officials said Friday.

A grant of nearly \$8.5 million to the Indiana University School of Medicine will enable the renovation of a former research floor of the Clarian Health hospital into a state-of-the-art facility for conducting clinical research trials that are designed for children.

The IU grant is one of 146 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act construction awards, totaling \$1 billion, to construct, repair and renovate scientific research laboratories and related facilities across the country. The grants were announced here by U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius and National Institutes of Health Director Francis Collins, along with IU President Michael A. McRobbie and IU School of Medicine Dean D. Craig Brater.

The grant from the National Center for Research Resources of the NIH, for \$8,386,919, will enable the IU School of Medicine to transform a former research floor of Riley Hospital into the pediatric clinical research center. The project comes as the NIH and the Food and Drug Administration, recognizing that children are underrepresented in clinical research, are encouraging investigators to include more children in clinical trials.

"Indiana University is deeply grateful to the National Institutes of Health for this Recovery Act award to the IU School of Medicine," said President McRobbie. "This award will greatly impact the future of pediatric research conducted at Riley Hospital for Children. It will provide IU School of Medicine researchers with the facilities and resources they need to conduct path-breaking research into disorders that affect the health and lives of so many of our nation's children."

"The Children's Health and Evaluation Facility will enable us to conduct studies that will improve health care for countless children in the future," said Dr. Brater. "For example, most drugs and diagnostics are tested in adults – but children aren't just little adults. They respond to therapeutics differently than their older counterparts, and this facility will give us the ability to understand those differences."

After renovations are completed in late 2012, the 18,500-square-foot center will house laboratory, bio-storage, office and other research-related space specifically designed to be flexible and accommodate the growing emphasis on collaborations between basic and clinical researchers and among researchers at different institutions. The facility will enable researchers to conduct comprehensive phenotyping, which is the use of many state-of-the-art research techniques to identify more clearly how genetic versus environmental factors contribute to the appearance and ongoing manifestations of a disease.

"This new facility will significantly enhance our ability to conduct the clinical research trials that test the safety and effectiveness of potential new treatments that emerge from our scientific discoveries," said Mervin Yoder, M.D., Richard and Pauline Klingler Professor of Pediatrics and director of the Herman B Wells Center for Pediatric Research.

Some Wells Center researchers had been housed in the area to be renovated in Riley, but nearly all Wells Center researchers now occupy labs in a research building across the street from Riley Hospital.

"As Indiana's most comprehensive academic health center, research and clinical trials are essential to offering our patients access to leading edge therapies and treatment options," said Daniel Evans, president and CEO, Clarian Health. "This new research facility will benefit patients for years to come by developing new approaches to the prevention, diagnosis and treatments of childhood diseases."

The new clinical research facility will bridge the gap between the laboratory research facilities and the hospital, neither of which was set up to meet the unique demands of human clinical trials in children, said Dr. Yoder.

"The lack of dedicated space to see children and their families to discuss enrollment into clinical trials and to obtain the necessary patient samples for those trials has been a major barrier to conducting research at Riley Hospital," said Scott Denne, M.D., associate chair for clinical research in the Department of Pediatrics.

The Riley facility will include both state-of-the-art video conferencing facilities and laboratories that visiting scientists can use on a short-term basis. Such resources, Dr. Denne noted, will further the goals of the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI), a statewide enterprise involving IU, Purdue and Notre Dame that was created to help speed the movement of scientific discoveries into new therapies and diagnostic products.

"One of our CTSI colleagues from Purdue or Notre Dame could come to this new facility to work with researchers at the medical center, performing tests on patient samples from a clinical trial here instead of shipping them back and forth between institutions," said Dr. Denne.

In conclusion, President McRobbie said, "This major investment in scientific research and innovation at IU will help to further strengthen our health and life sciences economy, which is so vital to our state's prosperity."

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## May 6 - Sevilla Nominated for Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award

Javier F. Sevilla Martir, M.D., Assistant Dean for Diversity Affairs and Associate Professor of Clinical Family Medicine, has been chosen as the Indiana University School of Medicine candidate for the Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award, a nationally recognized award sponsored by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

Dr. Sevilla was nominated for this role as faculty advisory of the IU Student Outreach Clinic, a free student-run clinic that opened two years ago on Indianapolis' near eastside.

IUSM's Organization of Student Representative (OSR) officers distributed a school-wide survey to collect nominations for this award, and Dr. Sevilla received the most student support. Students cite his positive mentoring skills, involvement in community service, compassion and sensitivity, ethics and his collaboration with students and patients as reasons for his nomination.

The AAMC selection committee will evaluate all the applicants from medical schools around the United States and award notifications should go out in August. The recipient of the award will be honored at an awards dinner and will be invited to speak about the importance of humanism in medicine. The award recipient will also receive a crystal award piece and a grant of \$5,000. Another \$1,000 will be donated to his school's OSR.

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## **Mar 31 - Indiana AHEC Program 3rd Annual Meeting - April 13, 2010**

Join us at the Indiana AHEC 3rd Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 13 where educators, advocates, health professionals, community leaders, students, and many others from across the state share a day of dialogue and idea exchange. Be swept into the hands-on, immersion experiences of Indiana students through their AHEC experiences. Engage with our keynote speaker as he shares tips for building successful partnerships. So plan to attend the 3rd Annual Indiana AHEC Meeting on April 13. Registration begins at 8:00am. We look forward to seeing you there! For registration and more information, please go to [www.ahec.iupui.edu](http://www.ahec.iupui.edu).

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## **Mar 23 - Congratulations to Family Medicine Residency Class of 2013**

The Indiana University Department of Family Medicine Residency Program is pleased to announce its Class of 2013.

- Ingrid Bocanegra, Universidad de Ciencias Medicas de Costa Rica
- Lena Buckwalter, Indiana University
- Sheri Ann Cheng, University De Santo Thomas, Philippines
- Laura Manzanilla, Universidad de Carabobo, Valencia, Venezuela
- Brock McMillen, Ross Unviersity, Dominica
- Diana Morales, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras
- Gerardo Munoz, Universidad de Carabobo, Valencia, Venezuela
- Gina Rivera, Universidad Nacional de Honduras
- Sarnia Carrisima Singh, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago
- Adam Steele, Indiana University

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## **Feb 26 - Alternative Spring Break – Honduras 2010**

Participants in the Alternative Spring Break – Honduras program (ASB), sponsored by the IUSM Office of Medical Service-Learning, will make their second annual medical service trip to Trujillo, Honduras, March 6-13.

Rowan Hurrell (MSII), Jonathan Lin (MSII), and Adam McHenry (MSII), the student project leaders, have invested many months in planning, coordinating and expanding this project from the excellent standard of care set by last year's trip involving 16 volunteers.

The 2010 ASB team is comprised of 23 volunteers:

Professionals include Javier Sevilla, MD; Scott Renshaw, MD; Gaylen Kelton, MD; Tom Greist, MD; Michael Graham, MD; Daniela Lobo, MD, and Jennifer Custer.

Medical students include Emily Cochard (MSII), Neha Patel (MSI), Deren Bagsby (MSI), Jeannette McIntyre (MSI), Amy Hale (MSI), Emmary Butler (MSII), Prerna Raj (MSI), Micah Hatch (MSII), Ben Rejowski (MSI), Tiffany Gearhart (MSII), Lindsey Query (MSII), Luke Miller (MSII), Rowan Hurrell (MS II), Jonathan Lin (MS II), Adam McHenry (MS II), and Liz Jones (MSIII)

While in Honduras, participants will set up a week-long medical clinic in the town of Rigores near the northern coast, where they intend to provide basic medical care, hospital referrals, eye glasses, and much-needed medications to nearly 700 people in the area. Trip volunteers also will be involved in preventive medicine by offering blood pressure and glucose screenings, as well as conducting public health education sessions on topics like diabetes and nutrition.

This trip is a collaborative effort that seeks to build on the existing relationships with Honduran partners established by the IUSM Department of Family Medicine through their summer immersion, 3rd year clerkship and 4th year international elective programs.

The OMSL promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through innovative service-learning experiences.

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## **Feb 5 - Indiana Registered Nurse Re-licensure Survey report published**

The Indiana Center for Health Workforce Studies and Indiana University Bowen Research Center, in collaboration with the Indiana Area Health Education Centers Program recently published its "2007 Indiana Registered Nurse Re-licensure Survey Report."

The publication provides an in-depth examination of the registered nurse workforce in Indiana. The report provides accurate, timely and relevant data to inform Indiana's response to the health care needs of the Hoosiers.

Project director, Terrell W. Zollinger, DrPH, Professor, Indiana University Department of Public Health notes, "We are pleased to release this report containing the most comprehensive information we currently have about the registered nurses in our state. We believe the information will be helpful to a wide range of stakeholders, including policy-makers, educators, business and community leaders, and a wide range of advocacy groups."

The publication includes demographic and employment characteristics of registered nurses, advanced practice nurses and faculty of nursing programs. It shows the geographic distribution of registered nurses, as well as projected registered nurse workforce trends.

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## **Jan 20 - Faculty Physicians Go to Haiti on Relief Mission**

Gaylen M. Kelton, M.D., Associate Professor of Clinical Family Medicine and Medical Director, IU/Methodist Family Medicine Center and Douglas B. McKeag, M.D., M.S., FASCM, OneAmerica Professor of Preventive Health Medicine and Director IU Center for Sports Medicine, traveled to Haiti on January 20th as part of a relief mission.

During their relief mission trip, Drs. Kelton and McKeag will be providing medical care to those injured in both the initial earthquake and the aftershock in Haiti.

