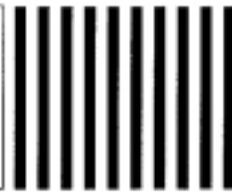


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As the need for primary care physicians continues to grow, and the number of medical students pursuing primary care as a career path declines, we serve an essential role as one of the country's largest departments of Family Medicine. The residency program has graduated close to 400 new family physicians in the past three decades and is nationally known for the training of minority academic family physicians. Additionally, fellowship programs are offered in research/public health and primary care sports medicine. Family physicians that complete their training in our department go on to practice in a wide range of health care settings; from academic centers and urban clinics, to private practice in rural communities.



"In urban areas and overseas, there's a greater and greater need for primary care. Being in Family Medicine, I hope to be part of that change as people recognize how important primary care is."

JAMES BARONAS, MD, FIRST-YEAR RESIDENT, who is considering putting his medical knowledge to good use in Africa.

"The relationship you build with patients is so gratifying. Every time I deliver a baby it's amazing. I'm so happy that my patients are letting me participate in that important part of their life."

THY NGUYEN, THIRD-YEAR RESIDENT, who came to Maryland from California for the program's quality and intensity.



"What we do is much more than provide clinical care and coordinate care. There's our teaching mission: We train the vast majority of family doctors in the state. And there's our academic mission: We find better ways to coordinate and treat diseases such as diabetes. We also partner with the city and state to expand people's access to health care and to find solutions to health-related problems. We do all these things to improve the health of individuals of communities, the city, and the state."

DAVID STEWART, MD, MPH, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND CHAIR



CARING FOR LIFE

With excellent care, comprehensive training, and community outreach, the Department of Family and Community Medicine serves a vital role. As one of the nation's first training programs for family physicians, we are building the future for the increasingly important field of Family Medicine. As the primary source of medical care for thousands of families and individuals of all ages throughout Baltimore and Maryland, we are improving health and lives. We use both the latest medical advances and a touch of old-fashioned bedside manner to not simply heal a sickness, but treat the whole person. At a time when family physicians have more patient visits each year than general surgeons, pediatricians, and obstetrician-gynecologists combined, the breadth of our care and intensity of our training program is needed more than ever.



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The Department of Family and Community Medicine provides a remarkable range of care to a wide diversity of patients. It encompasses the one medical specialty that cares for patients throughout their entire life-cycle. We provide a wide variety of services including ob-gyn, well child care, wellness programs and minor office surgery.

- Each year, our Dr. Marion and Esther Friedman Family Health Center provides care for more than 40,000 Baltimore City residents and 10,000 University of Maryland students and employees.
- While tapping into the latest medical advances, we still incorporate the many effective traditions of the old-fashioned family doctor, such as house calls for homebound and elderly patients.
- Our growing sports medicine program provides care to professional and collegiate athletes, and casual sports enthusiasts alike.



REACHING OUT TO IMPROVE HEALTH

On and off campus, we reach out to the community through educational and research efforts—all with the goal of improving the lives of families.

- Our nationally recognized strengths include care for the urban population, prevention and management of teen pregnancy.
- Our research efforts in areas such as hypertension and long-term care focus on issues that directly improve the health and quality of life of our patients.
- Our community initiatives include educating the general public and training private practice doctors on such issues as high blood pressure, diabetes and smoking cessation.
- We are involved in several collaborative educational outreach programs serving inner-city youth and economically disadvantaged communities where the diseases are most prevalent—and most likely to be untreated.

“My patients open up their world to me and allow me to be part of it. I’ve been to weddings, funerals and baptisms. Talking to my patients is so gratifying. My practice is like a country doctor—I do house calls, drop off prescriptions and visit my patients after procedures. Most of my patients have my cell phone number.”

YVETTE ROOKS, MD,
Assistant Professor



“What’s most gratifying for me is the ability to care for so many different kinds of patients – young, old, rich, poor – in the same setting. And to do that in an educational environment, surrounded by students and residents, is about the best work I can ever imagine”

KEVIN S. FERENTZ, MD
Associate Professor

SUPPORTING THE WORK OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY MEDICINE

The support the Department of Family and Community Medicine receives from grateful patients, alumni, civic leaders, and philanthropists means so much to our physicians, our residents, staff, and our patients. While each donor has a personal reason for giving, every gift is deeply appreciated.



“Dr. Kevin Ferentz diagnosed my husband with Hodgkin’s lymphoma. He was misdiagnosed prior to that. Dr. Ferentz was instrumental in saving his life and finding a specialist and really guiding us through that whole process. We wanted to support the department from a teaching perspective so they can continue to train future physicians. Family Medicine providers are on the front lines. They’re the quarterbacks in making sure that patients get to the right specialists. Without their expertise, patients might not get the care that they need.”

ELLEN POTEPAN, whose husband Frank was diagnosed with Hodgkin’s lymphoma at age 31. He’s been cancer free for more than 10 years.

“Some of the people that come to the clinic are very fragile. They may not have transportation or money to pay for their prescriptions. Before we established The Hilda Fund, the doctors and social workers were giving to patients out of their own pockets. The work that goes on in the Department of Family and Community Medicine is worthwhile. I would encourage others to give.”



HILDA PERL GOODWIN, and her husband Douglas Goodwin are trustees of the Adalman-Goodwin Foundation, Inc. which gives to humanitarian causes.



Marion Friedman, MD’42, and Mrs. Esther Friedman

“My father believed that Family Medicine was the basis for all other practices and provided the ability to see and treat the patient as a whole. A gift to the Department of Family and Community Medicine was a perfect way to honor his life, career, and underlying beliefs. It is our hope that by naming the Family Health Center in honor of our parents, it will not only provide support for education and healthcare, but also stand as a reminder for others to give their support to the department.”



Barry H. Friedman, MD’69

BARRY H. FRIEDMAN ’69 MD, JD, MBA, whose father, Marion Friedman, earned his medical degree from the University of Maryland School of Medicine and practiced as a family physician in Baltimore for 35 years.

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Your gift to the Department of Family and Community Medicine can make a real and enduring difference in the lives of our patients and the future of family medicine by helping us to:

- Build our endowments to give the department a stable source of funding and allow faculty members to pursue wide-ranging initiatives to improve health care.
- Forge more partnerships with other schools on the UMB campus to seek multidisciplinary solutions to society’s health challenges.
- Serve more patients within Baltimore City and other Maryland communities.
- Expand outreach programs to the most vulnerable populations who may not have any where else to turn to for health care.
- Continue to enhance our training of tomorrow’s family physicians, who will serve crucial roles in the lives of thousands of patients.

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