PCC Quarterly Agenda
Zoom Conference Meeting
Wednesday July 21, 2021, 1:30-3:00 P.M. via Zoom

I. Welcome (Ted Johnson) and Introductions

II. Supporting Careers in Primary Care through Financial Aid and Loan Repayment (Ted Johnson) (60 minutes)

This new signed gift agreement is for $5M over 5 years. For learners in primary care (FM, GIM, Geri, peds). Can be debt forgiveness or avoidance. Commitment to 2-5 years of pc practice in GA.

3 purposes:
  a) Learner who is thinking about pc is convinced because of debt reduction
  b) PC Emory grads come back to GA
  c) Practicing PC providers in GA stay in PC instead of going into HM or specialty because of indebtedness.

Other initiatives might include mentors who encourage going into primary care, student clubs. Possibly program for high schools.

Blocks of $40,000. Each block = 1 year of service commitment. 23 blocks per year available.

Need better eligibility graphic/tool

How to track down our graduates. 22% matched at Emory. Form workgroups to circulate lists around residency leadership – mentors tend to know where their mentees are.


Our primary care graduates tend to stay in metro Atlanta. How to promote rural practices? Immersion in a welcoming community. Dorm living M-F for a month. Rotations in rural area. Emory Farmworker Project. Make it a required rotation so it doesn’t seem punitive. New telehealth focus on opioids, disabilities, rural outreach.

Attract preceptors by making expectations clear and offering adjunct status.

We need to generate a FAQ list.

1) What if I graduated in 2022 and paused for 2 years to take care of a family member?
2) What if I am a sports med fellow who will return and do primary care, am I eligible?
3) What if I am faculty who do direct care and teach inpatient & outpatient?
4) Will this disqualify me for other types of aid?
5) What qualifies as working in primary care? Everything except concierge.

III. Committees and Other Activities
a. Pipeline Committee (Sonya Green) (10 minutes). Reassessing need. Might become advisory committee. Tried to compile guidelines for preceptors, but they aren’t being read.

IV. Financial Reports
   a. Budget Update (Luke Anderson) (5 minutes)

V. Communications (Leigh Partington) (5 minutes). Awards: 40 entries. Need judging panel (Masi, Thompson, Turner, Shu, Jones, Lund). Do we need more criteria and guidance on the awards?
   - Look at attributes of inaugural winners
   - Rubric for judging
   - Look at applicants and see who might need rubric/guidance

VI. Meeting Wrap-up (Ted Johnson) (5 minutes)
   a. Next Meeting: Oct. 20, 2021

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Vision: PC careers at Emory will be recognized as rewarding, engaging, exciting, and beneficial to our patients; and the institution is recognized as a destination for training and working in primary care.

Mission
The Emory Primary Care Consortium bridges partners to enable collaborations across health systems, primary care sites, academic schools and units, and professions. We actively support:

- Quality and high-value patient-centered primary care, discovery, and innovation
- Community and health-system partnerships for the establishment of a robust infrastructure supporting primary care in a manner that benefits patients
- Professional development via technical expertise and financial support for interprofessional student interest groups, small travel and project grants, award programs and promotion support, and primary care week social and education events
- Programs supporting wellness and joy in practice
- All efforts to raise the institutional awareness of the value of a robust primary care program
- Advocacy
- Enhancing the teaching and training mission (and capacity) for excellent clinical education