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DEPARTMENT OF  
**Family Medicine**

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Annual Report 2011-2012  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



*Education • Patient Care • Research*



# Welcome

The UW Department of Family Medicine (DFM) educates Wisconsin's future family doctors and physician assistants, provides outstanding primary care for patients statewide, and leads research projects that focus on our state's top health priorities.

## FY12 KEY FACTS

- **History:** Created in 1970 as one of the original 15 family medicine residency programs in the nation
- **National Ranking:** Ranked seventh of family medicine departments nationwide in *US News and World Report's* 2012 edition
- **People:** 1065 employees statewide, including 194 faculty
- **Budget:** Budget of \$102M
- **Medical Student Education:** Statewide medical student education program supported 505 students
- **Residency Programs:** Five statewide MD/DO programs trained 109 residents; 68% of graduates in 2012 went on to practice in Wisconsin. Since the DFM's inception in 1970, approximately 66% of graduates have remained in-state.
- **PA Program:** Campus- and community-based MPAS program trained 81 students; 37 graduated in 2012. Of those graduates who are clinically employed, 21% practice in primary care, and 64% practice in Wisconsin.
- **Patient Care:** DFM faculty provided over 447,000 patient visits in 22 statewide clinics, and over 43,000 patient visits at urgent care sites.
- **Research:** \$7.6M in research grant funding



This executive summary highlights our activities from July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012.

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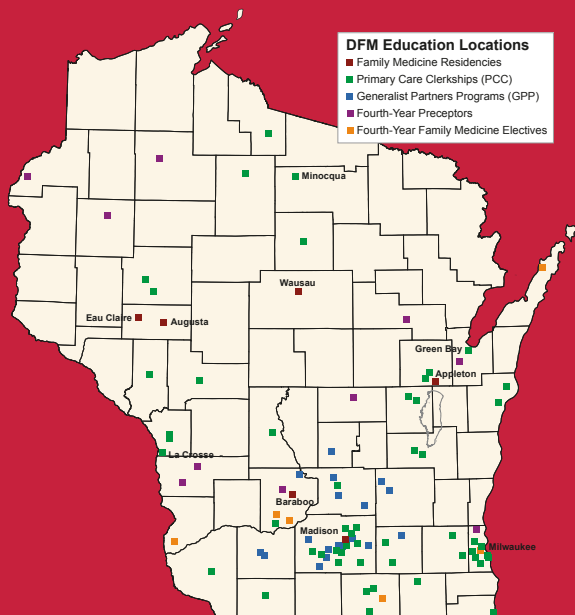
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# Education

The DFM trains primary care clinicians for Wisconsin through its statewide medical student education, residency, fellowship, and physician assistant programs.



Over 140 medical students learned prenatal examination, osteopathic manipulative therapy, suturing, and casting, among other skills, at the 2012 Procedures Fair.



## MEDICAL STUDENT EDUCATION

**Leadership: David Deci, MD**

Faculty, staff, and statewide volunteer preceptors supported 505 students through required clerkship, preceptorship, and electives.

Program	Number of Participants
Patient, Doctor, and Society course	34 faculty/residents; 76 students
Generalist Partners Program	140 preceptors; 211 students
Primary Care Clerkship	153 preceptors; 171 students
Fourth-Year Preceptorship	37 preceptors; 77 students
Fourth-Year Family Medicine Electives	70 preceptors; 47 students

## RESIDENCY EDUCATION

**Leadership: Richard McClafflin, MD**

Five statewide, dual MD/DO-accredited programs trained 109 residents; of the 40 residents who graduated in 2012, 68% remained in Wisconsin.

Program	Number of Residents
Baraboo RTT	6
Eau Claire	17 (including 1-2 at the Augusta alternative training site)
Fox Valley	19
Madison	43 (at 4 continuity clinics)
Wausau	16

Plus 8 osteopathic residents at the DFM's affiliated site in Milwaukee

# Education

Pictured right, Baraboo Rural Training Track (RTT) director **Stuart Hannah, MD**, consults with third-year resident **Karen Swallen, MD**. Baraboo is one of six sites to receive funding support last year from the DFM-administered Wisconsin Rural Physician Residency Assistance Program, a program that aims to stimulate resident education in rural medicine.



## FELLOWSHIPS

Program	Number of Fellows	Leadership
Academic	3	Sarina Schrager, MD, MS
Complementary and alternative medicine (CAM) research	2	Bruce Barrett, MD, PhD
Integrative medicine	3	Adam Rindfleisch, MD
Primary care research	4	Bruce Barrett, MD, PhD
Sports medicine	1	Kathleen Carr, MD

## PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT (PA) PROGRAM

**Leadership: Virginia Snyder, PhD, PA-C**

The UW PA program, administratively linked with the DFM, trained 81 students in campus-based and distance Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) programs; 37 graduated in 2012.

Pictured left, PA Program Director **Virginia Snyder, PhD, PA-C**, and former director **Jerry Noack, PA-C**, helped develop the Wisconsin Physician Assistant Community-based Track (*wisPACT*), a new collaboration with UW-Marathon County and medical providers in northern Wisconsin. Funded by a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration, *wisPACT* aims to train more PAs to work in areas where there is a shortage of primary care physicians.



## A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEER FACULTY

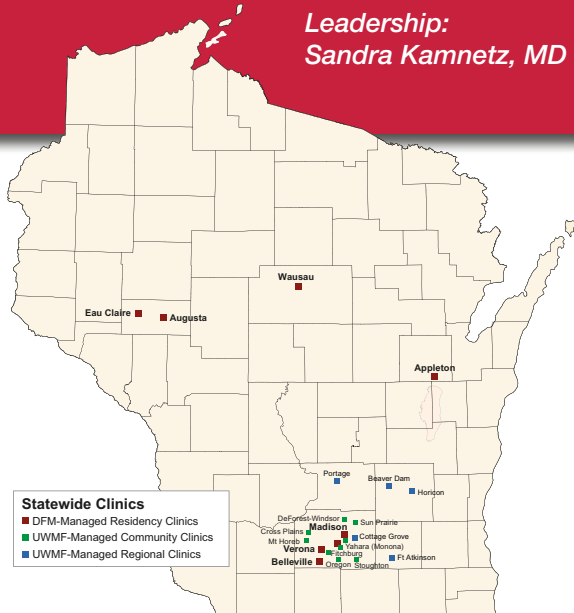
Leila Midelfort, MD, a family physician in Cottage Grove, Wisconsin, is one of over 500 statewide volunteer faculty who provide clinical experiences for medical students, family medicine residents, and PA students. The DFM is deeply grateful to all of its volunteer faculty for their continued dedication and commitment to the success of our educational programs—and Wisconsin's future primary care clinicians.



# Patient Care

The DFM provided comprehensive primary care for over 447,000 patient visits at 22 statewide clinics, and over 43,000 patient visits at urgent care sites.

**Leadership:**  
Sandra Kamnetz, MD



## PATIENT VISITS BY CLINIC, FY12\*

Clinic	Total Visits	Physician/NP/PA Visits
DFM-managed residency clinics		
Augusta	4,376	3,668
Belleville	17,647	12,420
Eau Claire	12,244	9,400
Fox Valley (Appleton)	21,730	13,979
Northeast (Madison)	35,156	24,048
Verona	33,562	23,104
Wausau	15,944	10,770
Wingra/Access	23,325	16,859
UWMF-managed community clinics		
Cross Plains	13,296	10,096
DeForest-Windsor	33,480	23,702
Fitchburg	8,606	6,503
Mt. Horeb	15,864	10,896
Odana Atrium (Madison)	60,038	36,239
Oregon	15,944	11,290
Stoughton	3,952	2,378
Sun Prairie	32,224	23,544
Yahara	33,463	22,975
UWMF-managed regional clinics		
Beaver Dam	21,687	14,725
Cottage Grove	6,584	5,209
Fort Atkinson	17,361	11,134
Horicon	7,317	4,806
Portage	13,961	7,342
<b>Total Clinic Visits</b>	<b>447,761</b>	<b>305,087</b>

## QUALITY INITIATIVES

- The DeForest-Windsor clinic is a test site for UW Health's new primary care workflow model.
- A Microsystems team at the Yahara Clinic received an Ambulatory Care Innovation grant to improve blood pressure control in patients by providing home blood pressure monitors. The clinic will also pilot a new hypertension reporting functionality in the UW Health electronic health record system.
- The Portage and Eau Claire clinics received Davis Quality Improvement awards for projects that reduced nursing appointment wait times and total cycle times.

## NEW FAMILY MEDICINE CLINICS OPEN

The new UW Health Belleville Family Medicine and UW Health Yahara Clinic opened in October 2011. Both facilities offer laboratory and X-ray services, health and nutrition education classes, and healing gardens.

\*DFM faculty also provided over 43,000 patient visits at urgent care sites

# Research

Through inquiry, discovery, and community engagement, DFM researchers tackle the many health challenges facing our state.

*Leadership: Mary Beth Plane, PhD*



The DFM received a 5-year grant from the Health Research and Services Administration to integrate community health tools and approaches into each of its mission areas. Above, **Kirsten Rindfleisch, MD**; **Brian Arndt, MD**; and UW Applied Population Laboratory geographer Bill Buckingham discuss the Community Health Practice Profile, an essential tool for the project.

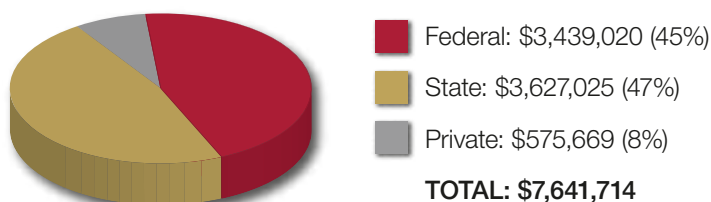


The Healthy Children, Strong Families project helped 150 families in four American Indian tribes in Wisconsin lead healthier lifestyles. It also established community advisory boards at three tribes, which held over 75 meetings with 1,000 participants.

In FY12, the DFM had \$7.6 million in grant funding directed toward projects in alcohol and substance abuse, obesity prevention, upper respiratory diseases, integrative medicine, and translational research.

The Wisconsin Research and Education Network (WREN), a statewide practice-based research network of 160 primary care clinicians and researchers, conducted 12 research projects on patient safety, chronic kidney disease, substance abuse, and other practice improvement topics.

## RESEARCH FUNDING SOURCES, FY12



## TOP-FUNDED GRANTS

Title	PI	Agency	Amount
Healthy Children, Strong Families	Alexandra Adams, MD, PhD	NIH	\$657,964
Primary Care Faculty Development Project	Jonathan Temte, MD, PhD	NIH/HRSA	\$578,076
Meditation and Exercise for the Prevention of Acute Respiratory Infection	Bruce Barrett, MD, PhD	NIH/NCCAM	\$484,076
Active Early: Promoting Physical Activity in Early Care and Education	Tara LaRowe, PhD	WI DHS	\$472,528
Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral & Treatment (SBIRT)	Richard Brown, MD, MPH	WI DHS	\$468,211

# Special Events

One of the year's special events is the McGovern-Tracy Scholars Award, which honors medical students or DFM residents who exemplify outstanding community service, outreach, and leadership. Pictured right, the 2012 scholars: Anne Kolan, MD; David Lessens, MD, MPH; Katherine Munck; Meredith Bourne; Karlo Kovacic; and Parker Hoerz.



## RENNER/HANSEN AWARD CEREMONY

Honors outstanding achievements in the DFM or field of family medicine.

## EUGENE FARLEY VISITING PROFESSORSHIP

Invites a nationally known family physician to share experiences, stimulate discussion, and explore ideas.



Carlos Jaén, MD, PhD, a distinguished professor and chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the University of Texas at San Antonio, was the 2011 Eugene and Linda Farley Visiting Professor. Dr Jaén is a national leader on primary care redesign and the patient-centered medical home.



**John H. Renner**  
**"Wisconsin Idea"**  
**Award Winner:**  
 St. Mary's Hospital President  
 Frank Byrne, MD



**Marc Hansen**  
**Lectureship Award:**  
 J. Adam Rindfleisch, MPhil, MD



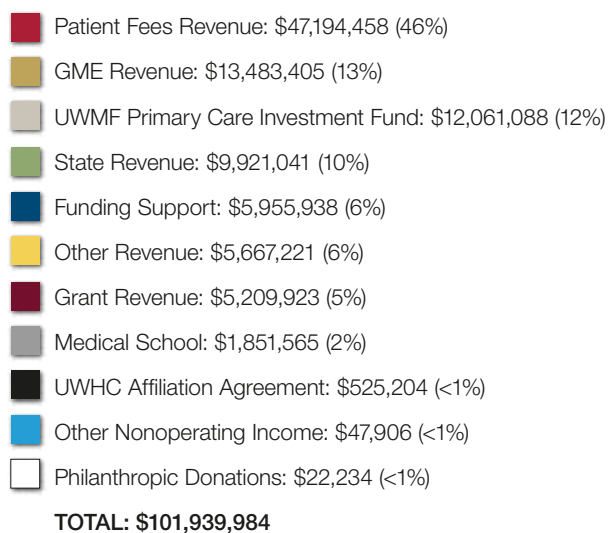
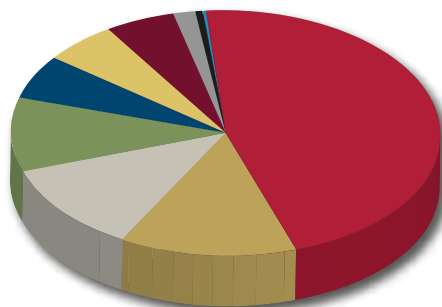
**James E. Davis**  
**Award for Quality Improvement:**  
 UW Health Portage Clinic (department award) and the UW Health Eau Claire Family Medicine Clinic (learner-led award)



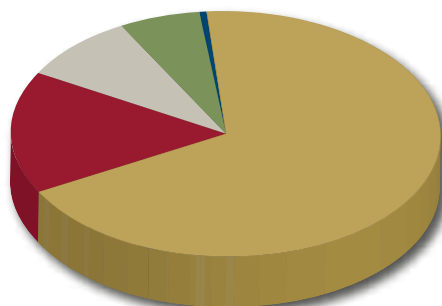


# Administration and Finance

## DFM REVENUE, FY12



## DFM EXPENSES, FY12



# Donor Recognition



## KORBITZ SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORTS FAMILY MEDICINE EDUCATION

*Robert F. Korbitz's son Adam, pictured left, says the Korbitz scholarship honors his family's commitment to family medicine.*

In five years, the Robert F. and Irma K. Korbitz Endowed Scholarship in Family Medicine has helped 23 UW School of Medicine and Public Health students remain in primary care.

For Nathan Vakharia, a 2011 graduate and member of the first Wisconsin Academy of Rural Medicine class, the award meant his wife and children could stay with him during rotations and become part of the rural communities in which he worked.

Michelle Clark-Forsting called herself a small-town girl who married her high school sweetheart and retains strong ties to Merrilan, Wisconsin. The award helps cover medical school debt.

Establishing the scholarship recognizes his family's commitment to family medicine, Eric Korbitz said. His father, Robert Korbitz ('62 MD), earned an engineering degree from the UW-Madison before following his younger brother, Bernie ('60 MD), to medical school.

Robert Korbitz joined Monona Grove and was among the first class of board-certified family practitioners. He met Irma Korbitz at the UW-Madison, where she earned an education degree. Later, with a 1981 nursing degree, she served as a psychiatric nurse, then nurse manager.

When mother and sons discussed establishing a scholarship fund, they recognized the increasing challenge of attracting medical students to fields such as family practice, Adam Korbitz said. The scholarship honors his father's interests and passion and allows the family to help those who choose family medicine.

The DFM is deeply grateful to the Korbitz family for its generous support of family medicine education.