Greetings from the Chair

Happy New Year! Thank you to all of those that could attend the Holiday Gathering. I hope your holidays were festive and healthy. Just a friendly reminder of the faculty meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 11th at 11:00am – 2nd Floor Conference Room - Tolan Park.

Faculty Awards and Promotions

- **Eva Waineo, MD** – received the 2017 School of Medicine Faculty College Teaching Award.

- **Vaibhav Diwadkar, PhD** received the 2017 School of Medicine Faculty Research Excellence Award.

- **Jeffrey Stanley, PhD** was promoted to the rank of Professor (Research Educator) from the 2016/2017 promotion and tenure cycle.

Upcoming Events

DPBN Chairman’s Grand Rounds

January 10th
Ahmed Mohammed, MD
“Decision Making Capacity”

January 17th
Arash Javanbakht, MD
Cynthia Arfken, PhD
Lana R. Grasser
“Risk and Resilience in Syrian Refugee Resettling in the US: Challenges and Opportunities”

January 24th
Sidney Zisook, MD
“Burning Bright, Not Out: Building Resilience and Preventing Physician Burnout”

January 31st
Ella Hong, MD
“TBA”
Invited to speak at a special “After Dark” series presenting by the Michigan Science Center. After Dark event is part of a monthly series for adults, programming designed to engage adults in STEM learning.

Featured in a Huffington Post article, https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/why-its-time-to-stop-casually-calling-people-schizophrenic_us_59e7aa9ae4b0432b8c11ec2d


Funded by Blue Cross Blue Shield for his study, “Improving of Emotional Well-Being by way of Alternative”

Wrote an editorial piece for The Conversation that went on to receive to be featured on the LA Times, Chicago Tribune, and WaPo among others. https://theconversation.com/why-psychiatrists-should-not-be-involved-in-presidential-politics-87841

Funded by Michigan State University for his study, “Bringing Exposure Therapy to Real Life Context with Augmented Reality and Telepsychiatry”.

Received the 2017-2018 New Investigator’s Grant for his proposal, "Risk and Resilience in Syrian and Iraqi Refugees: Prevalence, Environment, and Biomarkers".

Received DMC Foundation Grant for his study, “Improving of Emotional Well-Being of Refugees”

Interviewed by the BYU Radio for the Matt Townsend Show on his article, “Why psychiatrists should not be involved in presidential politics”. The Matt Townsend Show is a morning show similar to those aired on NPR’s Morning Edition. You can hear the interview at: http://www.byuradio.org/episode/3740117d-415c-4f06-8317-02244f77e0b5?playhead=1197&autoplay=true
III. Department Spotlight

Downstairs in the Methadone Clinic, a lot more happens that the hustle and bustle of a clinic. Community bonds are made and strengthen and people restoring our faith in humanity takes a front seat. Social Worker, Melissa Graves-Clapp has been with UPG for 2 years. Working within this clinic she sees far more than the individual patient – they are accompanied by their children and families. Ms. Graves-Clapp started throwing celebrations for the children of these patients – Halloween, Christmas, Easter, so many different parties! The parties are supported by the staff’s love for their community and are made possible with donations and volunteers only. If you are interested in helping or supporting an upcoming event, please contact Ed Mischel at emischel@med.wayne.edu