Identifying and Harnessing the Value of New Collaborations in Rural Medical Education

IRMC Rural Family Medicine Residency Program

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Session Goals:

- Use examples from the collaboration between Indiana Regional Medical Center (IRMC) and Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) to illuminate possibilities for collaboration

- Help participants develop a roadmap for meeting, understanding, navigating, and working with new partners in their communities

our JOURNEY

YOUR INSTITUTION/PROGRAM NEEDS

Activity #1

IRMC FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCY PROGRAM MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE IRMC FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCY PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE EXCELLENT, COMPREHENSIVE, FAMILY MEDICINE TRAINING, IN ORDER THAT OUR GRADUATES MIGHT FILL HEALTHCARE DISPARITIES IN RURAL PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNITIES.

IRMC MISSION

The mission of IRMC is to improve the health and well-being of our community.

IRMC VISION

To be the best community healthcare system in the country.

IUP SGSR MISSION

INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA (IUP) IS A DOCTORAL RESEARCH UNIVERSITY. AS SUCH, THE SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH (SGSR) PROVIDES STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP FOR ALL GRADUATE PROGRAMS AND FOR QUALITY RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP, WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY. IT ALSO ASSISTS WITH MARKETING FACULTY TALENT AND UNIVERSITY CAPABILITIES TO EXTERNAL AUDIENCES AND NURTURING PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUTSIDE AGENCIES AND BUSINESSES.

IUP SGSR Vision

The School of Graduate Studies and Research will, in collaboration with the university community and the IUP Research Institute, focus the university's intellectual resources on addressing the needs of the state, the region, the nation, and the world while providing the infrastructure our students need to meet their academic goals.

WHO ARE YOUR COMMUNITY & REGIONAL NEIGHBORS?

AND WHO DO YOU KNOW AT EACH PLACE?

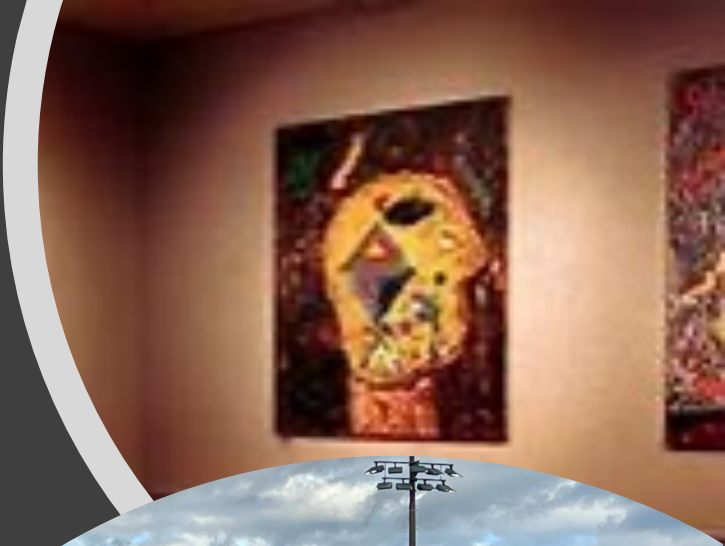
Activity #2

- Sports Medicine
- Culture and Diversity
- Interprofessional training
- Grantsmanship & Research

WHAT ARE YOUR ASSETS?

Activity #3

Kovalchick Convention & Athletic Center



IUP Lively Arts

Team Physicians for Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP)

Division II Athletics

WHAT ARE YOUR NEIGHBORS' NEEDS?

Activity #4

IRMC’s Pipeline Programs
High School & Pre-Med Undergraduate

IUP & IRMC Day

Rural Health Day Event

IUP

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County OKs emergency radio proposal

By PATRICK CLOONAN
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Various public safety programs were on Wednesday's agenda for the Indiana County Board of Commissioners, including approval of a list of proposed enhancements costing more than $1.8 million for the county's emergency radio system.

"The total cost of this project proposal is $1,851,769," Indiana County Emergency Management Agency Director Thomas A. Stutzman told the board. "Motorola Solutions Inc. has included an equipment lease-purchase agreement to spread the costs over a 10-year period, with first payment date of Aug. 1, 2023."

That will be split into a series of annual payments, "a porton of which can be covered by 9-1-1 funding," Stutzman said, of $223,557.98, including an interest rate of 3.58 percent.

Stutzman told the commissioners that all this is in an effort to keep the Countywide Land Mobile Radio system up-to-date and permit future expansion with Indiana's Inter

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NATHAN ZISK/Gazette

IRCM ACCEPTED six new family medicine residents in its very first residency program, which focuses on rural medicine. From left are residency program director Dr. Amanda Vaglia; resident physicians Dr. Nawar Al Janabi, Dr. Mohit Chhatpar, Dr. Esther Ezeani, Dr. Narinder Sangha, Dr. Tanvi Bharathan and Dr. Robin Rodriguez; and program coordinator Ashley McDonald.

IRMC unveils residency program

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Indiana Regional Medical Center officials introduced the hospital's first residency program as well as six new family medicine residents during a press conference Thursday at IRMC.

IRMC's Rural Family Medicine Residency Program officially started July 1

Christi, Texas.

The resident physicians will work with/report to an attending physician as they learn and practice family medicine over the next three years. This will benefit patients, who will get access to two physicians for the price of one, according to IRMC Residency program director Dr. Amanda Vaglia.

gional residents, a service everyone in the country needs, according to IRMC Chief Medical Officer Dr. Richard Neff.

Vaglia and IRMC CEO Steve Wolfe said they hope the program will bring new physicians into the area and improve access to quality health care in local, rural communities.

"Rural communities across the nation suffer

Wolfe said hospitals across the country are currently struggling to recruit family medicine physicians. A residency program will not only increase the number of physicians coming into the area, but it will also increase the number of physicians who stay, according to Wolfe.

The new residency program has a specific focus on rural medicine, which im-

IASD prepares to help students with dual enrollment

By The Indiana Gazette

Indiana Area School District plans to cover the costs of tuition for students who wish to participate in IASD's dual enrollment program for

Dual enrollment was a topic for the district's Board of Directors at a meeting last month, when district administrators were authorized to budget $8,000 to $10,000 each year through EITC funds to pay for dual-enrollment courses in the IASD Pathways to Success program.

RURAL HEALTH PULSE

A continued collaboration between IUP and IRMC on the topic of rural health care, focusing on issues and stories impacting the health of the region and programs and initiatives designed to improve healthcare

Media Presence

Lifestyle Medicine with
IUP Food and Nutrition Department

SET YOUR INTENTIONS: WHAT IS YOUR NEXT STEP? 6-MONTHS OUT? 12-MONTHS OUT?

Activity #5

It’s a Wonderful Life in Indiana, Pennsylvania