## Dean's Corner e-Newsletter May 16, 2003

As graduation grows near, we celebrate the successes of our graduating classes within the PA program, as well as the medical school's DO program. We have pride in each and every one of our graduates, and look forward to great things from them. I just had an email exchange with one of our graduating seniors who feel strongly about the impact a specific mentor has had on his career development. I believe it is important to remember the individual faculty members that have impacted you here at TCOM, and the fact that their instruction will continue to shape your professional life and career. Additionally, as you go out into GME programs or your jobs, you will now have the opportunity to reach out to others, and mentor them.

#### The following graduates have received awards at our annual awards receptions:

2003 SENIOR AWARD RECIPIENTS				
AWARD NAME	<u>RECIPIENT</u>	PRE	<u>SENTER</u>	
DONNA JONES MORITSUGU:	Natalie Hashey	Trina Elwell – President		
SPECULUM DEDICATION:	Rynn Sloan	Melissa Sneed		
M.L. COLEMAN, D.O., PRE-CLINICAL FACULTY:	Frederick Schaller	Lane Fairbairn		
M.L. COLEMAN, D.O., CLINICAL FACULTY:	Sam Buchanan	Melissa Sneed		
ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE (#3):	Shwol-Huo "Danny"	Dr. Palmarozzi		
	Kiang			
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT (#2):	Lisa E. Allen	Jake Jacobson		
ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (#1):	Marci L. Troxell	Dr. Forman		
SIGMA SIGMA PHI OUTSTANDING SENIOR:	Vicki Willoughby	Aaron Cesna, Lindsay		
		McB		
ARROWSMITH:	Jose' Villarreal	Melissa Sneed &		
PRESIDENT'S AWARD:	Thom May	Vince Hinshaw Dr. Blanck		
CHANCELLOR'S AWARD:	Lisa Allen	Chanc. Jackson		
W.O. STOCKETH AWARD:	Shane Holland &	Dr. Scott Stoll		
W.O. STOCKETH AWARD.	Christian Niedzwecki			
JANET M. GLASGOW MEMORIAL	Marci L. Troxell	Mitchell Forman		
ACHIEVEMENT AWARD	Water E. Hoxen	Witchen I Offian		
JANET M. GLASGOW MEMORIAL	Lisa Allen;	Forman		
ACHIEVEMENT CITATION	Amy Huggins;			
	Kathryn Chang			
PRESIDENT'S SCHOLAR AWARD	Lisa Allen, Danny Kiang,	Blanck		
	Thom May, Marci			
	Troxell			
FAMILY MEDICINE AWARDS				
ROBERT G. HAMAN, D.O. MEMORIAL AWARD:	Lisa Allen		Palmarozzi	
LARRY L. BUNNELL, D.O., AWARD:	Connie Speece		Bunnell	
T. ROBERT SHARP AWARD:	NOT GIVEN THIS YEAR			
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, RURAL FAMILY	Jon Rich, Linda Christensen,		Barbara Adams and	
MEDICINE TRACK	Traci Torbert, Christine		Dr. Bowling	
	Zalucki, Vince Hinshaw,			
	Carena Chai			
EMERGENCY MEDICINE AWARD				
EXCELLENCE IN ER MED CLINICAL ROTATION	Scott Young		Coleridge	

#### 2003 SENIOR AWARD RECIPIENTS

SPORTS MEDICINE AWARD			
EXCELLENCE IN SPORTS MEDICINE CLINICAL	Melissa Popp	Stockard	
<b>ROTATION &amp; ACTIVITY IN SPORTS MEDICINE</b>			
CLUB:			
OB/GYN AWARD			
EXCELLENCE IN OB/GYN	Marci Troxell	Meyer	
PEDIATRICS AWARDS			
MEAD JOHNSON EXCELLENCE IN PEDIATRICS:	Michael Baldovsky	Fling	
PATHOLOGY AWARD			
QUEST LABS EXCELLENCE IN PATHOLOGY:	Mitchel Holm	Putthoff	
INTERNAL MEDICINE AWARD			
EXCELLENCE IN INTERNAL MEDICINE:	Marci Troxell	Troutman	
SURGERY AWARD			
EXCELLENCE IN SURGERY	Marci Troxell	Sam Buchanan	

# THE FOLLOWING WILL RECEIVE THEIR DEGREES ON SATURDAY: <u>Receiving Doctor of Osteopathic Degree:</u>

Kenneth Paul Adams; Tasneem Fazal Ahmed; Hameed Qutub Ali; Lisa Elana Allen; Mojgan Arashvand; Adibeh Walif Awaida; Giti Azmabalani; Michael David Baldovsky; Alice Benjamin; Akash Gopal Bhagat; Gary Wayne Binkley; Damon Lee Brooks; Happy Castro; Carena Lee Chai; Yuchieh Kathryn Chang; David M. Chao; Linda Kay Morrison Christensen; David M. D'Spain; Eugene J. Chung; Benjamin Charles Dagley; Adair Frierson de Berry-Carlisle; Marenda D. Dent; Sarang Narendra Desai; Tejas Dilip Desai; David Frank Timoghy Dohi; Ajit Dwivedi; Cynthia Ann English; Joe Michael Etter; Jill Ann Feezell; Kevin John Formes; Kari Grimsmo Frano; Vincent C. Freemyer; Rajpaul Ganesh; Genevieve Michelle Garcia; Steven Arnold Grant; Particia Marie Haibach; Terry Dale Hashey; Vincent Wayne Hinshaw; Bradly Shane Holland; Jeffrey L. Holloway; Mitchel T. Holm; Amy Elizabeth Huggins; Meredith Milford Hulsey; Reza Izadi; Valeh Karimkhani; Hui-Tzu Kiang; Shwol-Huo (Danny) Kiang; Sonva Beth Larson; Dewey Le; Shelley Guzman Lenamond; Amy L. Liaw; Ashley Myriah Lovell; Migdalia Machado; Joseph Michael Martellotto; Jonathan Richard Matthews; Thomas Joseph May; James Patrick McClay; John Gregory McCray; Terri Mendenhall; Tamara Ellen Merritt; Heather Marie Miller; MonaLisa M. Mitra; Brian Tucker Montague; Matthew Colin Moreland; Christopher John Najberg; Nichole N. Nguyen; Phuc Thanh Nguyen; Christian Michael Niedzwecki; Benjamin Anders Olsson; Kartik Narendra Patel; Reina Manilal Patel; Sonal Arvind Patel; Hoang-Tuan K. Pham; Linh Duy Pham; Que Thu Pravong; Jon M. Rich; Judson Malcome Severson; Anish P. Shah; Seema Lakho Sidhwani; Nicole Rene Siegert; Arun R. Singh; Melissa Ruiz-Cady Sneed; Steven Thomas Solby; Connie Janel Speece; Jason Todd Sperberg; Frances Shelly Spiller; Suzanne M. Stovall; Bernard Anthony Stupski III; Matthew Thompson; Vilay Thongkham; Nha Ke Ton; Traci Lynne Torbert; Nhu Quynh Tran; Kavita Ashok Trivedi; Marci Leigh Troxell; Grace Mary Ann Varas; Jose Santiago Villarreal; Hayley Suzanne Voige; Michael Anthony White; Vickie Lynn Willoughby; Jennifer Nenno Wilson; Judy Yang; Scott Edwin Young; Christine Marie Zalucki; Pablo Patricio Zeballos.

## **Receiving Master of Physician Assistant Studies Degree:**

Darren Charles Rape; Timothy Alan Anderson; Kiki Dee Carthel; Kelly Ryan Cook; Jillian Claire Just; Kimberly Sue Lasswell; ;Mindy Lynn Meeker; Eva Janine Montes; Jennifer Ann Moore; Coby Jen Phillips; Kevin Polk; Jodie L. Popp; Marivel B. Rodriquez; Beverly Jean Springstead; Angela C. Whitton; Kristina Widjaja.

I wish each and every graduate much success in their careers.

Please supply any pertinent information to my office (deantcom@hsc.unt.edu) by Thursday, for inclusion in this Newsletter.

## Student Affairs: (Dr. Forman and Ms. Graham)

The Division of Student Affairs has been involved in a variety of important tasks:

The Dean's Letter Interviews have begun. The process lasts approximately 4 months. The Dean's Letter represents a summary of a student's performance in a variety of areas and is a formal letter of introduction to Residency Directors. I continue to be impressed by the quality of our graduating seniors. Students are reminded to make their appointments with Cathy Mobley at 2505. Each student will meet with Lee Tayon who collects and collates a great deal of information. Claire Graham can assist students with their personal statements or CV's. The personal information I collect is then incorporated into the letter to provide a broader perspective of the candidate. We will also discuss some interview opportunities and pitfalls.

Things are particularly hectic for the Graduating Seniors. They are back on campus from places all over the country. The following events are specifically related to Graduating Seniors:

The 8th Semester activities begin on 5/5. This year the program has been structured to include more practical information to graduating seniors. It includes professional, personal and career development seminars (e.g., *Ethics for House Officers; IRS Responsibility; Financial Planning & Investment; What I Wish I Knew Before I Started My Internship*).

The Senior Recognition Banquet is being held on May 14th at a new venue, The Modern Museum of Art. It will be an impressive event leading to the ultimate event, GRADUATION, on May 17th.

# Clinical Affairs / Faculty Practice: (Dr. Adams)

Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs/Chief Medical Officer No input.

## Academic Affairs/Graduate Medical Education: (Dr. Blackwell)

#### Associate Dean for Academic Affairs

The Texas OPTI has just received notice that the first dually accredited program in Texas has received approval from the Executive Committee of the Council of Postdoctoral Training of the AOA. The traditional internship of the Texas Tech University Health Science Center has received approval to become accredited by the AOA. This new relationship has the potential to become the first of many dually approved graduate training programs in Texas. My sincere thanks to Ron Cook, D.O., TCOM Alumnus, who is the current Family Medicine Program Director and DME at Texas Tech.

## Medical Education: (Michael Martin, Ph.D.)

Acting Associate Dean for Medical Education No Input.

## Clinical Research: (Dr. Clearfield)

## Associate Dean for Clinical Research

RAD was a success Lindsay McBride received first place for her poster: Physician Practice Patterns, Patient Factors and Standard of Care in Type II Diabetes, additional winners were E Ryann McClennen The Association between Socioeconomic status, Health insurance coverage, social support and quality of life in advanced non-small cell lung cancer patients; Jennie Wiggins-The effectiveness of outpatient anathematic therapy for patients on platinum, captosar and anthracycline based chemotherapy. Yamileth Cazorla-Lancaster-Group differences in depression among older Hispanics. These students all deserve a hearty congratulation for their award winning contributions for RAD.

Next year TCOM will host the keynote speaker for RAD. If you have a suggestion for the keynote speaker please forward me the name for consideration.

Also in the April JAOA an article by James Guillory DO, MPH discusses research in osteopathic schools for the 90's. Our institution was number #1 representing 31% of the total research funding for all osteopathic medical schools. It is nice to be acknowledged for our institutional accomplishments in research. For all those who contributed to the research efforts over the decade of the 90's thank you for all your hard work.

## PA Studies: (from PA Lemke)

# PA Students Present Posters at AAPA National Meeting Later This Month

Congratulations and kudos go to PA students Janelle Hardisty and Cheryl Houston, who are invited to present posters at the American Academy of Physician Assistants Clinical and Professional Poster Session later this month in New Orleans. The poster session, sponsored by the AAPA Clinical and Scientific Affairs Council, offers a unique opportunity for students to share their work with future colleagues on a national level.

#### **UNTHSC Graduates First Masters-Trained PAs in May**

We are proud to be awarding our first Masters of Physician Assistant Studies degrees to PA students graduating this month. For the students, this marks the culmination of 34 months of intensive study and five years of planning by HSC Administration and faculty. Graduate students will take the PA National Certifying Examination soon after graduation and have already begun the process of obtaining their PA license. The large majority of our graduates are opting to stay and work in Texas. And, for the first time, PA students will participate in the same commencement ceremony as their fellow TCOM, GSBS and SPH graduates.

#### **Class of 2004 PA Students Begin Clinical Rotations This Month**

PA students in the class of 2004 begin clinical rotations on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Clinical training for the PA students is conducted over the last 12 months of their enrollment and includes experiences Medicine, Surgery, Family Medicine, Pediatrics, OB-GYN, Orthopedics, Emergency Medicine, and Psychiatry. Carolyn Telford, PA-C coordinates scheduling these clinical rotations. She can be reached at Extension 2301.

## PAs -- Deadline to Obtain 2002-2003 Cycle CME Hours is June 30th

June 30th is the last day you can earn continuing medical education (CME) hours that apply toward the 2002-2003 cycle. Certified PAs must log at least 100 hours of CME every two years in order to maintain certification through the NCCPA. Re-testing occurs every six years. PAs who are re-registering this year must file their CME hours as well as send in their application and fee to the NCCPA by September 30<sup>th</sup> to avoid penalty.

**Class of 2006 Admissions Continue -** The PA program received over 400 applications for the Class of 2006. All interviews have been completed and only 2 seats remain to be filled in the class. In August, twenty-eight new PA students will begin classes at UNTHSC.

#### **Science and Health News**:

An innovative framework to provide automatic, affordable health insurance to all Americans is outlined today in a Health Affairs Web Exclusive by health policy experts Karen Davis and Cathy Schoen of The Commonwealth Fund. The article, "Creating Consensus on Coverage Choices," would build on existing sources of public and private health coverage by combining tax credits for private insurance, public

program expansions, and a new mechanism to make enrollment more automatic. An estimated 39 million of the 42 million Americans who are uninsured would gain coverage.

#### Key attributes of the proposal include:

Access to affordable coverage for small-business employees, the self-employed, and other uninsured individuals through a new Congressional Health Plan, which would offer the same wide choice of health plans available to federal employees and members of Congress. Automatic enrollment of the uninsured in health coverage, with premium assistance provided through the tax system. Public coverage expansions for low-income individuals and people at risk for being uninsured because of their health or age. Medicare would be open to age 60 and older, and public coverage would be available to people with income up to 150 percent of poverty. Continued reliance on employer-sponsored coverage as the mainstay of the health insurance system. Companies that do not offer their employees group insurance would contribute to a fund that would help pay for coverage. Click on the links below to read more about the new proposal.

Article Summary - <u>http://www.cmwf.org/publist/publist2.asp?CategoryID=4</u> Health Affairs Article - <u>http://www.healthaffairs.org/WebExclusives/2203Davis.pdf</u>

## **Health Policy News:**

**Bingaman Offers Medicaid DSH Amendment to Tax Bill** - During the May 8 Senate Finance Committee mark-up of the "Jobs and Growth Tax Act" (S. 2), Sen. Jeff Bingaman (D-N.M.) offered a Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) amendment that would have increased the Medicaid DSH allotments of "extremely low DSH states" from 1 percent of Medicaid spending to 3 percent of spending. The Bingamanamendment would have affected Alaska, Ark., Del., Hawaii, Iowa, Idaho, Kan., Md., Minn., Mont., Neb., N.M., N.D., Okla., Ore., S.D., Tenn., Utah, Wis., and Wyo. The amendment was defeated by a party line vote.

<u>House Passes Bill to Foster Nanotechnology Research -</u> The House May 7 approved legislation to create a federal interagency program to promote research and development, education, technology transfer and commercial activities related to nanotechnology. The bill (H.R. 766), which the House passed 405 to 19, authorizes \$713 million in FY 2004 and a total of \$2.36 billion over three years for the National Science Foundation, Department of Energy, NASA, National Institute of Standards and Technology, and Environmental Protection Agency.

<u>State Smallpox Funds Announced -</u> The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) May 5 announced that it will release \$100 million to the states to help them better prepare for a possible smallpox attack and strengthen the public health infrastructure. The funds, administered by the Centers and Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), will be made available immediately and are in addition to the \$1.4 billion awarded to the states in FY 2003 for bioterrorism preparedness. This funding was included as part of the smallpox legislation approved by Congress last month.

**OMB Director to Step Down** - Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Director Mitch Daniels May 6 announced his intention to resign his position, effective 30 days after his announcement. It has been widely speculated that Mr. Daniels intends to run for governor of Indiana in 2004. A former aide to President Ronald Reagan (R) and Senator Richard Lugar (R-Ind.), and pharmaceutical executive, Mr. Daniels has served as OMB Director since January 2001. OMB's mission is to assist the President in the preparation of the federal budget and to supervise its administration in the executive branch agencies.

# **Information from the TMA:**

<u>Medical Association Enlists Actuarial Study Of Liability Bill</u>: Because Senate State Affairs Chair Bill Ratliff's (R-Mount Pleasant) bill proposed such a unique approach to liability reform, TMA asked a nationally known actuary to evaluate how much relief it might bring. The bottom line, as delivered to Senator Ratliff's committee by former TMA President Tom Hancher, MD, is that the latest version would provide no significant savings in liability premiums. We continue to push for a "hard," \$250,000 cap on noneconomic damages per claimant, applied to all health care practitioners. TMA Trustee Bruce Malone, MD, testified on behalf of better regulation of expert witnesses and called on the committee to have the liability reforms take effect as quickly as possible. Senator Ratliff produced another version of the bill late in the week and we've asked our actuary to review it, too.

Association Urges Immediate Signature On Prompt Pay Bill: Senate Bill 418, our prompt pay bill, passed the House with strong grassroots support from TMA member physicians. We are asking the Senate to accept the House's amendments and send the bill directly to Governor Perry. Please join us in urging the governor to sign this priority legislation as soon as it hits his desk. Many thanks to our sponsors: Sen. Jane Nelson (R-Lewisville) and Rep. John Smithee (R-Amarillo).

<u>TMA Moves Another Priority Bill Forward:</u> A carefully honed lobby strategy earned a unanimous vote for HB 1921, our bill designed to improve the effectiveness of the state's immunization registry. Called the "Serena King Bill" after an Austin infant who died of pertussis, the bill by Rep. Jaime Capelo (D-Corpus Christi), won preliminary approval from the Texas House. It is set for a final vote early this week. Thanks for your calls and letters on this important measure.

<u>Medicaid Back In The Crosshairs</u>: The House-Senate conference committee on the state budget is expected to reach the hard health and human services section this week. TMA is calling on physicians to deliver a strong but simple message to legislators: Restore CHIP and Medicaid funding to current levels and approve a \$1-per-pack fee on cigarettes to help pay for it. For talking points and contact information see the TMA Grassroots Action Center at <u>www.texmed.org/grassroots</u>.

**NEW BCMS BOSS:** Stephen C. Fitzer is the new executive director of the Bexar County Medical Society. He was most recently CEO of a large association management company in the Midwest. We look forward to working closely with Steve, as we do with all the county societies in Texas.

**INDUCTED**: TMA Secretary-Treasurer Priscilla Ray, MD, is the new president of the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians.

## **Research and Funding Opportunities:**

## CALL FOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS

The AOA Bureau of Research has recently been provided funds for up to five \$5,000 Research Fellowships for 2003-2004. Details for applying are found in the RESEARCH HANDBOOK on the AOA Website at aoa-net.org. Look under Research and Grants. (Please use the forms from last year until the Handbook is updated.)

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Fellowship applications have become quite competitive in recent years. Therefore, applicants are advised to submit a carefully prepared proposal that makes clear the research environment and the dedication of both the fellow and the mentor to the project.

If you have questions please contact me at 800/621-1773 or 312-202-8109 or at <u>Rrose@aoa-net.org</u>. Thank you for your interest in the research programs of the AOA.

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Please feel free to contact the Office of Grant and Contract Management at extension 5073 for further assistance. NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts - Week Of May 9, 2003 - <<u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/2003/03.05.09/index.html</u>>

#### **NOTICES**

REVISED NIH POLICY ON SUBMISSION OF A REVISED (AMENDED) APPLICATION - (NOT-OD-03-041) National Institutes of Health - INDEX: NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH <<u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-041.html</u>>

BIOSPECIMEN RESOURCES FOR AGING RESEARCH - (NOT-AG-03-002) National Institute on Aging - INDEX: AGING <<u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AG-03-002.html</u>>

ALTERATIONS AND RENOVATIONS SUPPORT - ADDENDUM TO PA-03-080 (NOT-AI-03-031) National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases - INDEX: ALLERGY, INFECTIOUS DISEASES <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/quide/notice-files/NOT-AI-03-031.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AI-03-031</a>)

RFP ANNOUNCEMENT: PRODUCTION AND TESTING OF ANTHRAX RECOMBINANT PROTECTIVE ANTIGEN (rPA) VACCINE -RFP-NIH-NIAID-DMID-03-29 (NOT-AI-03-033) National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases - INDEX: ALLERGY, INFECTIOUS DISEASES <<u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AI-03-033.html</u>>

BIODEFENSE AND EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES –ADDENDUM TO PA-03-080 (NOT-AI-03-034) National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases INDEX: ALLERGY, INFECTIOUS DISEASES <<u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AI-03-034.html</u>>

NOTICE OF SBIR ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPLEMENTS FOR E-LEARNING PRODUCTS (NOT-ES-03-009) National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences - INDEX: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES <<u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-ES-03-009.html</u>>

NEW RECEIPT DATE: MARC POST-BACCALAUREATE RESEARCH EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP) (NOT-GM-03-106) National Institute of General Medical Sciences INDEX: GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-GM-03-106.html>

CHANGE IN NLM'S SMALL GRANT PROGRAM (R03) (NOT-LM-03-001) National Library of Medicine INDEX: LIBRARY OF MEDICINE <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-LM-03-001.html>

NINDS PILOT CLINICAL TRIALS NETWORK (NOT-NS-03-008) National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke INDEX: NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS, STROKE <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-NS-03-008.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-NS-03-008.html</a>

#### **REQUESTS FOR APPLICATIONS**

TRAINING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT IN BIOPSYCHOSOCIAL RHEUMATIC, MUSCULOSKELETAL, AND SKIN DISEASES RESEARCH (RFA-AR-03-010) National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases - INDEX: ARTHRITIS. MUSCULOSKELETAL, SKIN DISEASES < http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-AR-03-010.html >

MOLECULAR ANATOMY OF HEAD & NECK CANCER: A GENOMIC/PROTEOMIC APPROACH (RFA-DE-04-003) National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research INDEX: DENTAL, CRANIOFACIAL RESEARCH <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DE-04-003.html>

CLINICAL GENETICS OF CRANIOFACIAL AND ORAL DISORDERS (RFA-DE-04-004) National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research INDEX: DENTAL, CRANIOFACIAL RESEARCH <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DE-04-004.html>

SILVIO O. CONTE DIGESTIVE DISEASES RESEARCH CORE CENTERS (RFA-DK-03-016) National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases INDEX: DIABETES, DIGESTIVE, KIDNEY DISEASES <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-DK-03-016.html>

LIMITED COMPETITIVE CONTINUATION FOR AHRQ CENTERS FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH ON THERAPEUTICS. PROGRAM (RFA-HS-03-002) Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality - INDEX: HEALTHCARE RESEARCH, QUALITY <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HS-03-002.html>

COORDINATING CENTER FOR THE AHRQ CENTERS FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH ON THERAPEUTICS PROGRAM (RFA-HS-03-007) Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality INDEX: HEALTHCARE RESEARCH, QUALITY <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HS-03-007.html>

#### PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

AHRQ GRANT PROGRAM FOR LARGE CONFERENCE SUPPORT (PA-03-117) Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality INDEX: HEALTHCARE RESEARCH, QUALITY <a href="http://grants.nih.gov/grants/quide/pa-files/PA-03-117.html">http://grants.nih.gov/grants/quide/pa-files/PA-03-117.html</a>

#### Quotes

"I think we have good control, but we may need to police up some meatheads." LLOYD AUSTIN, Brigadier General of the Third Infantry Division, on providing security in Baghdad.

Part of the inhumanity of the computer is that, once it is competently programmed and working smoothly, it is completely honest.

Isaac Asimov

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes. Marcel Proust

I'll let the racket do the talking. John McEnroe

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