
Update on our Developing College of Osteopathic Medicine

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Special Assistant to Senior Leadership

- Norma Juarez
 - Has worked at UNC for 8 years
 - Student Affairs
 - Alumnae relations
- Have completed staffing plan and vetted it with our business plan consultant
 - Once we reach our full student enrollment, we will have an additional 65 faculty/staff to support our students
- Actively engaged in seeking faculty and administration with interest in applying to our program

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Funding the New College

- Outreach to donors, state and foundations continues and there is ongoing indication of support
- Submitted a letter of intent for Opportunity Now (HB 1350) Grant
 - Scaling grant request to allow continued growth and operational support
 - Partners:
 - Banner Health Western Division
 - Sunrise Community Health
 - GlobalMindED
 - Collaborators
 - Aims Community College
 - Greeley Evens District 6
 - Northern Colorado Health Sector Partnership

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Focus on the Present and Future

- Ongoing engagement of undergraduates interested in medicine
- Reviewing admissions policies and best practices in early acceptance programs
- Pipeline Programming for Health Professions
 - Begin with touchpoints in the 5th grade and continue through high school and beyond

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Mission

To provide a transformative education in a culture that cultivates proficiency, inclusion, collaboration, mentorship, and professionalism. We inspire our students to become caring physicians who embrace their identity, deliver patient-centered care, promote health equity, and positively impact the patients and communities they serve.

Vision

- UNCCOM is a national leader in advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion in medical education.
- UNCCOM positively impacts the physician workforce in Colorado and the High Plains region.
- UNCCOM graduates are highly regarded by fellow physicians, health care teams, and patients.
- UNCCOM is an innovator in interprofessional medical education.
- UNCCOM graduates seek opportunities for practice in rural and underserved communities.
- UNCCOM graduates understand the critical role of the primary care physician in patient wellbeing.

Values

Osteopathic philosophy

Community

Life-long learning

Service

Research Strategic Plan

Jeri Lyons, PhD	Neuroscience	AVP Research, Dean Graduate College
Darcy Copeland, PhD, RN	Clinical and Educational	School of Nursing
Michaela Romero, DNP, FNP-BC, ENP-C	Quality Improvement	School of Nursing
Michael Aldridge, PhD, RN, CNE	Nursing/medical education and assessment	Associate Director School of Nursing
Nicholas Pullen, PhD	Immunology and Translational	CNHS/Biological Sciences
Reid Hayward, PhD	Clinical	Director UNCCRI
Yuyan Han, PhD	Hepatology	CNHS/Biological Sciences
Michael Kimball, PhD	Wellness and Mindfulness	CHSS/Anthropology
Aaron Apawu, PhD	Neuroscience	CNHS/Chemistry
Liz Gilbert, EdD	Population Health	Colorado School Public Health Chair, Applied Psychology and Counselor Education
Heather Helm, PhD	Behavioral Health	
Pam Thompson, DNP	Clinical Trials	Banner Health System
Robert Flynn, PhD	Clinical Trials	Banner Health System
Whitney Duncan, PhD	Immigrant health	HCSS/Anthropology
Angela Mills, MD	Clinical research/GME	CMO, NCMC

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