Getting beyond description: Explaining the causes of disparities by race/ethnicity in systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)

Date: July 26, 2013; 10:00-11:00 am
Location: St. Paul’s Hospital, New Lecture Theatre (Rm 1477), Providence Building

Speaker: Edward H. Yelin, PhD; Professor in Residence of Medicine and Health Policy, School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)

It has long been known that members of racial and ethnic minorities have higher rates of incidence and poorer prognosis after onset of systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE). However, research over the past decade, including some by Dr. Yelin and colleagues, has shown that the poorer prognosis among members of minority groups is mainly the result of lower socioeconomic status. In this talk, Dr. Yelin will describe research conducted at UCSF to establish the reasons for the poorer prognosis, including
both the nature of the interactions with the health care system and the characteristics of the communities in which they reside. Although health care reform in the U.S. will reduce the number of uninsured, it is built on the current organization of care. The talk will describe the characteristics of the current health care system which perpetuate disparities in prognosis by the disadvantaged.

Event Reminders

Clinical Research Ethics Board Office Drop-In Sessions – Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month
CCOPE Breast & Prostate Cancer Community Workshops – June 25, 26 (various locations)
Workshop: How To Write An Effective Animal Care Protocol – July 3, 2013
Breast Cancer Case-Based Workshop - Victoria – July 10, 2013; 5:45-7:45 pm
UBC Animal Care Committee Drop-in Session Office Hours – July 18, 2013
Centre for Blood Research: Research Day – Aug 15, 2013; 1:00-7:00 pm

For additional event listing visit: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/events/

Ongoing Seminar Series

Please follow this link for a list of ongoing events and seminar series that may be of interest to MD undergraduate students.

MD/PhD Building Bridges Seminar Series

Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

Seeking MD Student Research Assistant: Core obstetrics training and Family Practice residents’ decision to practice intrapartum care
Investigators: Drs. Kelly Little and Neasa Coll; PGY-2 residents in the St. Paul's Family Medicine Program

We have secured funding for our project Core obstetrics training and Family Practice residents' decision to practice intrapartum care and we are looking for one dedicated medical student to help us with this project over the coming year. The time commitment is variable throughout the year but likely 1-2 hours maximum weekly. The work would predominately be organizational and administrative with the opportunity for contribution to publications and presentations. It would also look great for CaRMS. Seamless communication and collaboration will be key. We have funding and support through the Sue Harris Family Practice Research Grant at BC Women's Hospital. Additional information can be found in the attached proposal. (MD Students reading this bulletin online can contact the FoM Student Research...
Coordinator for a copy of the proposal that was included with the emailed bulletin.) Interested students are asked to contact Dr. Kelly Little with a brief description of their interest and skills and a copy of their CV.

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Reminders
Laboratory and Workplace Safety Training (see June 7th events section for additional info)

   UBC Point Grey: http://riskmanagement.ubc.ca/courses
   UBC Okanagan: http://www.ubc.ca/okanagan/hse/safety.html
   University of Victoria: https://ohs.uvic.ca/research_safety/index.php
   University of Northern BC: http://www.unbc.ca/safety/lab-safety

Remember additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the FoM Research Office Website: http://med.ubc.ca/research/md_undergrad/