

Dermatology CONNECTION



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Patient Centered Subspecialty Care

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From the Chair

The state of the Department of Dermatology at the University of Mississippi Medical Center is strong. Our faculty and nurse practitioners work very hard seeing patients, teaching, and performing clinical research for the benefit others. Our residents see patients in the clinic four and a half days per



week and study **another** 10 to 20 hours **per week** as they master our complex field. Medical students from UMMC and around the country rotate in our department and inspire us with their passion, creative ideas, and enthusiasm. Our Continuing Medical Education (CME) programming is built around a very successful Annual Update in Dermatology which was held on April 6, 2018 and Grand Rounds educational programming with live patients, animated discussions, and lectures presented by elite visiting professors from around the United States. We have 15 affiliate faculty members, but would like to have participation from every dermatologist in the state of Mississippi. Please call me, and we'll find a way to **get you** involved!

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The UMMC Department of Dermatology is making good progress toward a goal of developing a world-class department. Our mission is clear:

1. to enhance the patient-centered care provided by dermatologists in Mississippi
2. to focus on subspecialty care needs of patients and to support our dermatology colleagues throughout the state
3. to provide high quality educational programming for medical students and residents
4. to provide timely and focused continuing medical education (CME) for dermatologists and other health care providers in the State of Mississippi and throughout the region
5. to develop basic science, translational and clinical research programs that extend the knowledge base of dermatology

Residency and Fellowship Programs Update

We have filled our three residency slots, including the new rural residency position. The three new residents will complete their PGY I year before joining us in July 2019.

The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education also recently approved our applications for two fellowships: a Mohs/Surgical Oncology Fellowship and a Dermatopathology Fellowship. Meredith Orseth, M.D., will be our first Mohs surgery fellow, and Allison Cruse, M.D., will be the first Dermatopathology fellow.

Drs. Wile, Cruse, and Offiah will graduate in June 2018. Dr. Wile will be working at Rush Hospital's Center for Dermatology in Meridian, MS, where she will provide care for adult and pediatric patients in the clinic as well as see inpatient consults. Dr. Offiah will become an assistant professor of dermatology at UMMC, from August to December 2018. She will primarily cover the UMMC Louisville dermatology clinic while Dr. Adam Byrd is deployed with the Mississippi National Guard. She also will be the attending at the VAH resident surgery clinic, starting in August 2018. As noted above, Dr. Cruse will be the department's first Dermatopathology fellow. She also plans to staff a half day of clinic at the VA.

AAD Native American Grant

Chief Resident Anna Wile was one of four residents selected for the American Academy of Dermatology's Native American Rotation. She spent a week in March in the Navajo Nation in northeast Arizona. During her rotation, she provided dermatologic care to the Navajo and Hopi populations and worked with primary care providers to assist with diagnosis and management of dermatologic diseases.

From left, Anna Wile, MD; Gail Ratko, Indian Health Service Nurse Practitioner; Jacquelin Selig, Indian Health Service Nurse Practitioner; and Suzanne Olbricht, MD, Chairman of the Department of Dermatology at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and current president of the American Academy of Dermatology



Welcome

Carmen Matzek

Born and raised in Louisville, Carmen received both her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Nursing degrees at the Mississippi University for Women in Columbus. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, American Nurses Association, and Mississippi Nurses Association. She is married to Jeremy Matzek, also of Louisville. Carmen has two young daughters, and she enjoys spending free time with her family and friends. She will be working with Adam Byrd, M.D., at our Louisville, MS, office.



Denise Gipson

Denise has been a family nurse practitioner for 11 years. She obtained her RN degree from Hinds Community College and then received her Bachelor of Science and her Master of Science in Nursing degrees from UMMC. She is currently working on a PhD in nursing at UMMC as well. Though Denise has experience in emergency medicine, occupational health, and neurology, she worked in dermatology from 2008-2010 and is so glad to be back! Originally from New Orleans, Denise considers Jackson her second home. She will be working with Jeremy Jackson, M.D., to establish a rapid access clinic at UMMC.



Congratulations

Taylor Sisson Receives Doctorate of Health Administration

Taylor Sisson received his Doctorate of Health Administration from UMMC last spring. His dissertation title was "An Investigation of the Disparate Motivational Factors of Staff Members within an Academic Medical Clinic" and his committee was chaired by Dr. Jessica Bailey, Dean of the School of Health Related Professions.

Hollinger Completes Millsaps College Business Program

Dr. Jasmine Hollinger completed the Millsaps College Business Advantage Program for Professionals. Dr. Hollinger was nominated for the course, which is designed to give working professionals exposure to fundamental business topics.

Resident of the Year

For her work as a resident and extracurricular activities, including planning the UMMC mission trip to Nigeria, Dr. Maureen Offiah received both the UMMC Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Resident of the Year and the Locumtenens.com Resident of the Year awards. Dr. Offiah also received the Spotlight Award in late 2017, which is awarded by the Chief Residents Council to recognize and "spotlight" the hard work and accomplishments of UMMC's outstanding residents.

Memorial Education Award

Dr. Brodell received the American Academy of Dermatology's Thomas G. Pearson, Ed. D. Memorial Educational Award. Established in 2002 as a memorial to Dr. Thomas G. Pearson, the award recognizes a member of the Academy who has advanced the organization's educational mission through significant contribution of time, development of educational programs, coordination of educational activities and other educational activities.



Dr. Brodell receives the Thomas G. Pearson, Ed.D. Memorial Educational Award from Henry Lim, M.D., former president of the American Academy of Dermatology.

Community Service Projects

See, Test, and Treat

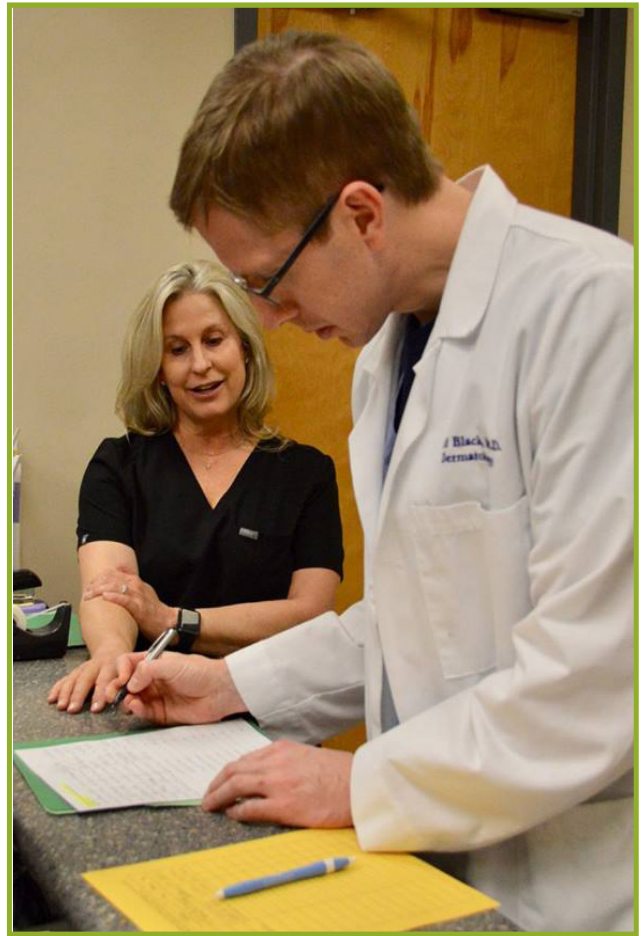
During this year's multi-cancer screening event, the volunteers were able to screen more than double the women screened last year for breast, cervical, and skin cancers.

Skin Cancer Screening

On May 10, the faculty, residents, nurses, and administrators of the Department of Dermatology, along with several medical students, volunteered their time to provide the fourth annual free SPOTme® Skin Cancer Screening event at UMMC. Sixty-three UMMC employees and their family members were screened.

Legislative Session

Dr. Robert Brodell and affiliate faculty member Dr. William Waller met with Mississippi legislators in January to discuss pending tanning legislation.



Dr. William Black works with nurse Teresa Pippert during the skin cancer screening in Suite K.



Relay for Life

The Department of Dermatology helped raise awareness and money for the American Cancer Society during Relay for Life April 27. Department residents, faculty and staff, along with members of the Dermatology Interest Group, joined together to raise over \$4,000 for the ACS.

Faculty, staff, residents and students at the Relay for Life.

International Service Project Mission Trip to Nigeria

The Department of Dermatology is very fortunate to have faculty, residents and staff who volunteer their time to help others in need. In October of 2017, three faculty of the Department of Dermatology at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC), Robert Brodell, MD, Sabra Sullivan, MD (affiliate faculty) and Jeremy Jackson, MD; a dermatology chief resident, Maureen Offiah, MD; and one nurse, Tracy Breeden, RN, volunteered for a medical mission in West Africa (Enugu, Nigeria). Nigeria is the most densely populated country in Africa, and one of the most populous in the world, with over 184 million people. There are fewer than 130 dermatologists and only two fellowship-trained dermatopathologists practicing in the country.



Specifically, the goals of the mission were to:

1. Teach dermatology to medical students, residents, and other physicians, as well as to serve as long term mentors to those who may be interested in pursuing a career in dermatology.
2. Provide medical and surgical dermatological services to the underserved and economically disadvantaged population of Enugu state.
3. Form a long term working relationship with the academic medical center in Enugu State (Park lane hospital), and create a sustainable project that could be repeated yearly.

Maureen Offiah is a PGY-4 dermatology chief resident, whose home country is Nigeria, was the primary coordinator of this mission. Maureen spent the month of October in Nigeria, while other members of the team each spent one week volunteering.



The mission lasted more than 3 weeks, and the primary educational, research, and service goals set for the mission were fully achieved.

1. Nearly 1000 patients received medical/surgical dermatology care during the mission trip. The patients were seen at Enugu State Teaching Hospital and outreach clinics in rural areas.
2. Three hundred fifty medical students and resident physicians in Enugu were taught dermatology in the examination room and through a series of ten didactic lectures.
3. The team examined patients with a wide range of diseases. Many conditions common in the U.S. were seen, but several conditions only rarely seen in the U.S., such as Monkey Pox, were diagnosed and treated. The interchange with physicians in Nigeria also enriched the team's knowledge of advanced presentations of common diseases and tropical diseases.
4. Two rural communities benefitted from separate medical outreach programs in which the care was provided directly in outlying rural community health centers.

The group hopes to return annually to offer medical and surgical dermatology services to the economically disadvantaged citizens of West Africa and potentially other countries as well. The benefits of the visit were magnified by the team's ability and willingness to teach and mentor Enugu medical students and residents. The trip was such a success and invaluable learning experience for our team. Someday we may be able to create an official partnership between UMMC and other teaching hospitals outside our borders.



DERM Fund

Looking for ways to give back? The Dermatology Education and Research Fund of Mississippi (D.E.R.M.) is a unique fund established to support the development of the next generation of dermatology scholars for the State of Mississippi. As Mississippi's only academic medical center, we have the opportunity to improve health within and beyond our state through excellence in education, research, practice and service. The impact our residents can have depends to a large degree on our ability to deliver an outstanding education. With your help, we can make sure that current and future generations of dermatologists have the best educational opportunities and resources possible to meet the demands of an ever-changing and challenging health care environment.

By giving to the D.E.R.M. Fund, you have the opportunity to support the Department of Dermatology in an area where there is great need and to positively impact the education and training of residents. Whether you are just beginning your career, nearing retirement, or somewhere in between, there are many ways for you to give. You may choose to make a one-time cash gift, annual gifts, or you may consider making a gift through your estate. For cash gifts, make checks payable to UMMC and in the memo line, write "D.E.R.M. Fund" and forward to the UMMC Development Accounting at 2500 N. State St., Jackson, MS 39216. You may also give online by visiting www.umc.edu/giveto and clicking the option "Give Now;" under Select a Category, choose "School of Medicine Options;" under "Select a Fund," choose "Dermatology Education and Research Fund of Mississippi." For information on other ways to give, contact Fran Ingram, Development and External Relations Officer in the UMMC Office of Development, at (601) 984-2300 or at fingram@umc.edu.

