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Maine-Dartmouth Family Medicine Residency welcomes 10 new physicians

Ten first-year residents have been named to the Maine-Dartmouth Family Medicine Residency (MDFMR) at MaineGeneral Medical Center.

They are working at the Family Medicine Institute on the medical center's Augusta Campus and at Maine-Dartmouth Family Practice, located three miles from the Waterville Campus in Fairfield. The residents also work at both hospital campuses under the supervision of faculty physicians.

The first-year residents are: Inna Andrews, MD; Megan Barker, MD; Chris Johnston, DO; Xiaoqing "Lily" Li, MD; Michelle Mosher, DO; Suhas Pinnaka, MD; Kernjeet Sandhu, MD; Amber Schmidt, DO; Mark Stevens, DO; and Bernadette Stevenson, MD.

Andrews, a native of the Republic of Moldova, earned her medical degree from State Medical & Pharmaceutical University Nicolae Testemitanu in Moldova and completed an extra year of study in cardiology. After practicing for six years as a cardiologist and as a critical care physician in Moldova, she moved to the U.S. She has completed several programs observing clinical practice in primary care and pediatrics.

Barker, an Ohio native, earned her medical degree from the University of Cincinnati College Of Medicine and was enrolled in a master's program in public health at Wright State University in Dayton, OH. While a student, she volunteered with Planned Parenthood and with a local rape crisis center and was a student leader of the complementary and alternative medicine interest group.

Johnston, a native of Augusta, earned his osteopathic medicine degree from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, ME. During medical school, he worked as an anatomy and osteopathic manipulative medicine teaching assistant. He completed a clerkship at MDFMR. Before medical school, he completed homeopathy studies and worked with a physician in Oakland, ME.

Li, a native of China, earned her medical degree at Hengyang Medical College in China and completed a residency in internal medicine. After practicing as a gastroenterologist for three years, she moved to Canada where she did research on a vaccination for prostate cancer. She has also worked with primary care physicians in Canada and Houlton, ME.

Mosher, a Rumford native, earned her osteopathic medicine degree from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, ME. During medical school, Mosher volunteered as a diabetes counselor at a local free clinic. She completed a clerkship at MDFMR. Before attending medical school, she worked for the Boston Public Health Commission and coordinated sexually transmitted disease education and rural education grants for Maine's Department of Health and Human Services.

Pinnaka, a native of India, earned his medical degree from Kasturba Medical College in India. He completed his residency in India then moved to England where he worked for two years as a hospital physician in medicine, pulmonology, urology and general practice. He returned to India where he worked in a nursing home for two years. Pinnaka has also done inpatient and outpatient work in the U.S.

Sandhu, a native of Canada, earned her medical degree from Windsor University in Saint Kitts, West Indies. Since graduating, she has been involved with research in the Department of Neurosurgery at the University of Illinois at Chicago and has earned a certificate for using lasers in medical aesthetics.

Schmidt, a native of Lancaster, NH, earned her osteopathic medicine degree at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Biddeford, ME. During medical school, she worked as an osteopathic manipulation medicine teaching assistant.

Stevens, a native of New Mexico, earned his osteopathic medical degree from Touro University College of Osteopathic Medicine in New York, NY. Before attending medical school, he volunteered at a drug and alcohol rehabilitation center and worked as a nurse's aide.

Stevenson, a native of Indiana, earned her medical degree from Florida State University College of Medicine in Tallahassee. Before attending medical school, she had a 13 year nursing career and earned her master's in nursing. She worked as a registered nurse practitioner and provider for a county health department.