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New Physicians Start Training at UCSF Fresno with Clinical Skills Bootcamp

WHO:

More than 80 new physicians, who start medical residency training at UCSF Fresno Medical Education program this month, will begin with a clinical skills orientation.

WHAT:

Groups of residents will practice patient care skills under the direction of experienced faculty and resident physicians at UCSF Fresno using a variety of methods, including advanced adult and pediatric simulation mannequins. Airway management, central venous catheterization and advanced cardiac life support will be among the clinical skills practiced. Residents also will train in suturing skills and communications scenarios with physicians, patients and nurses. This clinical skills boot camp is funded by the Leon S. Peters Foundation.

WHEN:

Friday, June 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Best time for interviews and photo opportunities is from 10 to 11 am**

WHERE:

UCSF Fresno Center for Medical Education and Research, 155 N. Fresno St., Fresno, First Floor

INTERVIEWS:

Faculty physicians at UCSF Fresno, including Stacy Sawtelle, MD, assistant program director, emergency medicine and educational director of the clinical skills lab, and Stuart Maxwell, MD, technical director of the clinical skills lab will speak to media. New and current UCSF Fresno medical residents also will be available for interviews.

For more information about the clinical skills orientation, please contact Dr. Sawtelle at ssawtelle@fresno.ucsf.edu or (559) 499-6443.

Media: Please call (559) 313-6539 to confirm attendance.

About UCSF Fresno: UCSF Fresno Medical Education Program, established in 1975, plays a substantial role in providing health care to residents of California's San Joaquin Valley and training medical professionals in the region. UCSF Fresno is the San Joaquin Valley's largest physician training program. Annually, UCSF Fresno currently trains approximately 250 medical residents (medical school graduates who are training under senior faculty physicians prior to practicing on their own) in eight specialties, 10 oral and maxillofacial surgery dental residents, 50 medical fellows (physicians who are completing training beyond residency) in 17 subspecialties and about 300 medical students (students in the process of earning medical degrees) on a rotating basis. One-third of the physicians trained by UCSF Fresno stay in the region to provide UCSF care in the Valley. Thanks to the expertise of faculty physicians at UCSF Fresno, in many cases, travel outside of the region is no longer necessary for patients seeking specialty medical care. UCSF Fresno faculty and medical residents engage in a broad spectrum of research addressing health issues pertinent to the Valley. UCSF Fresno faculty and residents also care for the overwhelming majority of the region's underserved populations. In addition, UCSF Fresno helps prepare middle, high school and college students for careers in health and medicine through a variety of pipeline programs. Please visit www.fresno.ucsf.edu

About UCSF: UCSF is a leading university dedicated to transforming health worldwide through advanced biomedical research, graduate-level education in the life sciences and health professions, and excellence in patient care. Founded in 1864 as a medical college, UCSF now includes top-ranked graduate schools of dentistry, medicine, nursing and pharmacy; a graduate division with world-renowned programs in the biological sciences, a preeminent biomedical research enterprise and top-tier hospitals, UCSF Medical Center and UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals. Please visit www.ucsf.edu/news.

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