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Meet the Graduates!



UCSF Fresno is celebrating 118 new graduates!

Family, friends and colleagues joined the residents and fellows for ceremonies at the William Saroyan Theatre on June 9. Nearly 40% of these physicians will remain in the Valley to care for our citizens.

Making the Valley Their Home

Meet three of the many graduates of this year's class who will be remaining here and making the Valley their home!

Sarah Garcia Sifuentez, MD, completes residency training in emergency medicine in July and will be staying in Fresno to provide care at Kaiser Medical Center. Dr. Garcia Sifuentez is married to Mario Sifuentez, PhD, who is an assistant

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professor of history at UC Merced.

She was born and raised in Orange County and learned about UCSF Fresno while looking into residency programs and discovered that its emergency medicine program is among the best in the U.S. She applied and matched.



That was four years ago; today, these Valley transplants have put down roots in the region in more ways than one. The Sifuentezes have a six-month-old son, Santana. They live in northwest Fresno where they grow all their own fruits and vegetables, including apriums, a hybrid cross between plums and apricots. They love the diversity of the region and are happy to call it home.

Greg Gilmore, DO, is finishing residency training in internal medicine and will be staying at UCSF Fresno as one of the first two fellows in the new Hematology/Oncology Fellowship, which begins July 1.

Dr. Gilmore's interest in hematology and oncology is sparked by an interest in the science and the impact that cancer has had on his personal life. His grandmother passed away from pancreatic cancer when he was very young. In addition, one of his cousins was born with the most severe form of Fanconi anemia. After many years of trying to find an adequate non-sibling bone marrow match, there were no options left. But thanks to new, modern scientific advances, doctors through preimplantation genetic diagnosis (PGD) developed a means for her to receive a bone marrow transplant from a sibling who would be an exact match. Ultimately, her baby brother was born and his cousin became the first person ever to receive an allogeneic bone marrow transplant from her sibling's cord blood, which was selected through PGD. Thanks to the modern advances in medicine at the right time, Gilmore's cousin is still alive today.



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Upcoming Events:

Save the Date!

Mark your calendar for UCSF Fresno's **Spring Sensation** fundraiser, March 18, 2017 at the Save Mart Center! Join us for an evening of tastings, auctions, fun and games, dinner and dancing! More information to follow.

Mitul Patel, MD is finishing residency training in pediatrics at UCSF Fresno and will stay to practice outpatient pediatrics at Children's Medical Centers of Fresno. Dr. Patel plans to open his own practice in the near future.



"Pediatrics is a fun specialty. We take care of cute, little babies, but what people don't understand is that it is very difficult to watch children suffer," said Patel. "I do this because I don't want kids to suffer and I don't want parents to have to see their kids suffer. We are placed on this earth with a task, each person has a task and I believe mine I so to make people smile ... I do that by fixing whatever ailments my little patients have."



Patel was born in Modesto and raised in Lodi, where he learned his work ethic from his parents who own and manage a small hotel there.

"From the moment I left the Valley to pursue my goal of becoming a pediatrician, I always wanted to return here to complete my training," said Patel. "UCSF Fresno's Pediatrics Residency Program allowed me to fulfill that dream. I am so excited and very honored to continue to help the children of the Valley."

Interns Arrive for Boot Camp



UCSF Fresno's new class of 85 interns hit the ground running June 24 at this year's Intern Bootcamp. The boot camp is a one-day, clinical skills orientation for all interns beginning their training at UCSF Fresno.

The interns work their way through eight interactive skills stations led by senior residents and faculty. This provides the opportunity to practice procedural skills such as suturing, central line placement, gowning and gloving, and airway management in a risk free, safe environment. Participants also get the practical experience of working through case

scenarios that they will commonly encounter throughout their training.

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New PA Residency Introduced

Team-based patient care has become crucial in today's delivery of healthcare, since most patients are now being treated for chronic diseases. Physician Assistants play a key role in managing the patient load. That is why an exciting new residency program has been developed!

UCSF Fresno will be the first in the UC program to have a residency program for Physician Assistants. Emergency Medicine already has two residents; Orthopaedics is currently recruiting, and other residency programs are exploring the possibility for the near future.

American Heart Association Recognizes Dr. Daniele

Congratulations to Teresa Daniele, M.D., on receiving the Physician of the Year award from the American Heart Association at the 2016 Central Valley Heart Ball!

Dr. Daniele is part of UCSF Fresno Cardiology and University Cardiovascular Center.



All Alumni Reception May 26 in Fresno



Nearly 100 alumni from UCSF's schools of medicine, nursing, pharmacy, dentistry and UCSF Fresno residency programs reconnected at an all alumni reception May 26 at Fort Washington Country Club in Fresno. Guests enjoyed a buffet dinner and drinks while catching up with old friends. Joel Kramer, PsyD, Director of the Neuropsychology Program at UCSF's Memory and Aging Center was the featured speaker, enlightening the group on our aging population.





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