



As summer transitions into fall, we were excited to welcome our Class of 2021. The White Coat Ceremony marked their official initiation into medical education. It was gratifying

to participate in “coating” these students and gave me great confidence in the future of our profession. In addition to their first white coat, compliments of the Greater Louisville Medical Society, the students received their first official stethoscope, thanks to our alumni who participated in “Stethoscopes for Students.” This class brings a wealth of intelligence, dedication, diverse life experience and enthusiasm that enriches our school. As the new students hit the ground running, we remember the advancements and celebrations of our students who recently graduated and

entered residency, as well as the strengths that our new residents, faculty and staff bring to our medical school.

On July 1, University Medical Center reassumed management of University of Louisville Hospital and the James Graham Brown Cancer Center. This transition has been extraordinarily smooth and supported by the enthusiasm and dedication of our physicians and staff, who are engaged, feel a strong sense of pride and are committed to delivering the highest quality patient-centered care to all who come through our doors. ULH will continue to be the primary adult teaching hospital for the School of Medicine. “It’s a Brand New Day” for UofL Hospital and the JBGCC!

On July 20, we officially named our new pediatric medical office building the Novak Center for Children’s Health. We are looking forward to having a new clinical home for our pediatric specialists in 2018.

As our school continues on a successful trajectory, we want to acknowledge those who paved the way for that success. Later this fall, we will commemorate the 180th anniversary of the School of Medicine. Founded as the Louisville Medical Institute in 1837, we have a long and illustrious history and, while we have undergone tremendous growth and transformative changes since that time, our mission of improving the health of our patients and diverse communities we serve remains the same.

Heartfelt thanks to all of you who help educate the next generation of physicians and scientists, provide high quality care to our patients, make research discoveries that improve lives and partner with our community towards common health goals. Here’s to the next 180 years!

—Dean Toni Ganzel

EDUCATION

Life experience fortifies the students of the UofL School of Medicine class of 2021. A single mother and AmeriCorps alumni were among the 161 students who participated in the White Coat Ceremony on July 30. The students each received a white coat, thanks to GLMS, a stethoscope, thanks to a UofL alumnus, and recited the Declaration of Geneva.

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RESEARCH

The HBO movie adaptation of Rebecca Skloot’s bestselling 2010 book, “The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks,” sparked a new discussion about ethical standards related to patient specimens collected by biorepositories. Kyle Brothers, M.D., Ph.D., of the UofL Department of Pediatrics is teaming with researchers at Case Western Reserve University to take a look at networks of biorepositories across the United States.

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PATIENT CARE

UofL honored David Novak, his family and the Lift-A-Life Foundation in July by naming its new pediatrics medical office building the Novak Center for Children’s Health. The eight-story, 176,000-square-foot building is scheduled to open to patients in July 2018. The new facility will allow patients to see all their childhood health providers in a single location.

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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

While most middle and high school students were enjoying their summer break, 13 students from the Cabbage Patch Settlement House spent a week learning about medical school and the practice of medicine. As part of a new camp, the School of Medicine designed a series of experiences to introduce and inspire young people to pursue careers in medicine.

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Dean Toni Ganzel accepts new role

Toni Ganzel, M.D., M.B.A., dean of the School of Medicine, has accepted an additional appointment as Interim Executive Dean of Health Affairs for the University of Louisville. In this position, Dr. Ganzel will continue to be responsible for the operations of the medical school but also will coordinate the clinical activities of the HSC deans. Greg Postel, M.D., will continue to serve as Interim Executive Vice President for Health Affairs, overseeing other aspects of the Health Sciences Center, in addition to his duties as Interim President of the university.

Faculty and Staff in the National Spotlight

Jeffrey Callen, M.D., was awarded the Master Dermatologist Award by the American Academy of Dermatology

Darryl Kaelin, M.D., will be named president of the American Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation in October

Kelly McMasters, M.D., was named president of the Western Surgical Association and president of the Society of Surgical Oncology for 2017-2018

Additional honors and recognitions [SEE MORE](#).

Class of 2021

Students:	161
Kentucky residents:	135
Female	46%
Male	54%
Underrepresented	6%
nontraditional (age range 27-35)	10%
Average age	23
Average cumulative GPA	3.73
MCAT Average total score	507



Class of 2017 - Match Day

97%	Matched
27%	Will train in Kentucky
10	Couples matched to same city
3	Will pursue military residency
39%	Matched in primary care specialties



Calendar of major religious holidays

When scheduling important meetings and events, check your dates on the Dean's new calendar of major religious holidays. The calendar includes major holidays and observations for Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist faiths. This calendar can be accessed from the Dean's web page or bookmark the page at <http://louisville.edu/medicine/dean/religion-calendar>

Faculty Development launches LIAM

On September 21, Faculty Development will launch Leadership & Innovation in Academic Medicine (LIAM), a 10-month development program for early to mid-career UofL faculty. The first cohort of 16 participants was selected from 54 applicants to attend monthly meetings to hone leadership skills with a focus on using design thinking to create innovative solutions for the problems facing academic medical centers. [SEE MORE.](#)

SMART



Watch for the new Medical Mile walking path on HSC this fall. The SMART Wellness Task Force, with the Being Well initiative, is creating a one-mile and one-kilometer walking paths on the HSC campus, marked with logos painted on the sidewalks. The goal is to create walking trails for people to pick up others and walk the path together to encourage physical activity.

SMART distributed a Staff Wellbeing Survey in August as part of an effort to assess the degree to which staff are successful in managing personal stress and burnout. This survey is similar to the one distributed to faculty in June. Staff members are encouraged to participate in the survey.

Eat 2B Well

The School of Medicine is launching an eight-week elective nutrition curriculum for medical students. The weekly two-hour meetings will be reinforced by independent study and practice to instruct students on healthy food choices and preparation techniques, with the goal to improve students' skills in discussing dietary changes with patients as well as their own nutritional intake. The program is possible thanks to the sponsorship of Cooking at Millie's, Whole Foods Market, Gordon Food Service and Save-A-Lot Grocery, along with assistance from partners throughout the community. [SEE MORE](#)

UofL physicians provide eye screenings to West End School

Physicians, residents and staff from the UofL Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences provided eye screenings for more than 130 students at West End School on August 25.



NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

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