



Notes from the Department Chair

PRIDE, APPRECIATION, & EMERGING FORWARD

As I have begun my annual check-in meetings with our faculty, there are two recurrent themes that are surfacing—pride and appreciation.

Pride. Faculty are proud to be part of MCW, and especially our Department, and I am profoundly proud of our faculty for their tremendous selflessness and hard work this past year. **Appreciation.** Our faculty have stated and restated how appreciative they are of the support of their colleagues and of our supportive culture they have experienced this past year, and I am so very appreciative of how each of you so nimbly adapted and stepped up this past year.

In my 35 years at MCW (four as a student, four as a resident, and 27 as faculty), we have never experienced a year like this past academic year. I think it is safe to say that there has never been a more challenging year in MCW's history. I recognize how the past 15 months have been—filled with loss and grief, trauma, sadness, terror—and the past 15 months have been life-changing, and world-changing. Despite this, you have all stood strong together.

Where it may have been tempting to run and hide, you faculty, staff, and trainees in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine have not only withstood the onslaught of challenges the pandemic, and our awakening to the racial injustice, violence and severe disparities that surrounds us, you rose up and found ways to best serve our community and carry on our critical missions at MCW together. In addition, you found and developed better ways to support each other and our faculty, staff, and trainees across MCW.

Emerging. As we emerge and move forward from the pandemic and the serious racial inequities, already many of you are looking for ways to make our world and department even a better place. We are taking what we learned

from these past 15 months and we are already working to improve. I hope we are also learning from the past year how to better care for ourselves. As we review last year's EMERGE goals, we may not have been able to accomplish many of them because of the pandemic world we were in, but we must now set new goals for ourselves and our new world. Though you have all overcome tremendous challenges this past year, I believe the process of overcoming those many challenges together has made our Department better and stronger.

To really make the most of what we have learned this past year, I challenge each of you to take something you learned from your own personal experience this past year and to focus on improving your own personal well-being. In addition, I ask you to take something else you learned from these past 15 months and then set an EMERGE goal for this next year that will help us move forward as a better MCW Department together. It is only through our collective individual efforts, in combination with our team efforts, that we will become a better and stronger Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine. By becoming a stronger Department, we make MCW stronger and better, too.

With my utmost gratitude,



Jon A. Lehrmann, MD
Charles E. Kubly Professor and Chairman,
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine
Associate Chief of Staff for Mental Health

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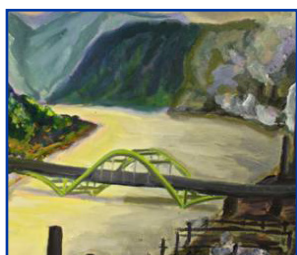


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Professionalism is not about wearing a suit or white coat, or carrying a briefcase—but rather about conducting oneself with responsibility, integrity, accountability, and excellence.

~Dean Kerschner

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Notes from Administration

WE SPEAK YOUR LANGUAGE

Did you know your Psychiatry administrative team is multi-lingual? Psychiatry is robustly active in the education, clinical, research and community engagement mission areas and each of these missions has its own language.

Effectively supporting each of the missions requires the administrative team to build an understanding of the unique language of each. For example:

- Some of the language of **Education** is M1-M4, clerkship and directors of the same, didactic and small group lectures, Journal Club, Grand Rounds, BLS, “shelf exams,” PGY1-PGY6 and beyond, post docs, ACGME and APA accreditations, PLA’s, site and funding agreements, electives and selectives, MCWAH, RBM, learners and trainees, resident and fellow stipend caps for hospitals and other systems are but a few terms. We know that “rural tracks” doesn’t refer to farmland, and regional training programs are N.E.W. and CW.
- **Clinically**, we talk about wRVU’s, patient encounters, CPT codes and modifiers, ICD 10 and diagnostic codes, E&M services, coding and key elements in a patient encounter, supervision, documentation and “presence,” professional fees, rTMS, esketamine, ECT, primary care, specialty and sub-specialty and tertiary care and more. We talk about Stark rules, professional liability coverage (occurrence and claims-made) compliance and risk management too, not to mention deductibles, co-pays, coinsurances, and insurance network status. CPCP and Periscope are state-wide clinical programs that drift into research, using REDCap as a data repository and tracking tool.
- The language of the **Research** mission gets a little more cryptic: K, R01, R32, R36, R56, T32, U10, CTSI, NIH, NIAD, NIDA and CDC, WI grants—and philanthropy—are a few funding mechanisms and agencies. Specific Aims, Key Personnel, NIH caps, IRB protocols and approvals, research participant stipends, eBridge, ERA Commons, Impact Factors, SPS and power analysis, PubMed, Bio Sketches, and a host of other acronyms are the vernacular of the day. F&A, modified direct costs, subcontracts and other terms add texture to research budgeting.
- In **Community Engagement**, we use words such as stakeholders, partners, continuing education, volunteerism, presence (again), disparate populations, and public service, just to name a few.

Certainly, the business of academic medicine has its own language ranging from leadership, governance, and academic committees to paths of promotion, conflicts of interest, mission-based budgeting, and other business tools. Fluency in the Business Intelligence databases and Oracle is a must and knowledge of other systems affording connectivity is essential. This was immensely evident during this year of the pandemic.

COVID-19 brought its own language when references to virtual and hybrid work, R-factors, transmission rates, herd immunity, social distancing, variants, N95’s, KN95’s, surgical masks, various disinfectants and the benefits of disinfecting techniques became common-place.

As we close FY21 and begin to enter FY22, all of these mission languages come particularly to the fore while we close and set up new accounts, submit annual reports on research progress throughout the year, set up new schedules and purchase orders, all to ensure that the department has the resources to conduct business in the next year. **In each of these instances, your administrative team’s fluency in these languages is fully applied.**

David Peterson

David Peterson, MBA, FACMPE • Department Administrator Clinical





Clinic Notes “ONLY EVERYTHING” CHANGED

When the COVID pandemic struck MCW, “only everything” changed, but with these unprecedented challenges came new opportunities. Following Dr. Lehrmann’s vision for MCW as a hub for academic excellence, we established seven new specialty clinics at Tosa Center last year. With these additions, we now house 13 separate psychiatry and behavioral medicine clinics. The seven new clinics are:

- The **Coping Clinic**. This clinic provides immediate, free psychotherapy to any members of the MCW enterprise amidst the COVID outbreak. Thank you, Dr. Heidi Christianson for spearheading this innovative clinic.
- The **COVID Survivors Clinic**. This clinic provides mental health services to individuals with neuropsychiatric sequela from COVID-SARS. Thank you, Dr. Sadie Larsen, clinic director.
- The **Grief Clinic**. This clinic provides assessment and treatment of bereavement and complicated grief and is the only clinic of its kind in any academic institute in the country. Thank you, Dr. Joe Goveas for your mentorship, and Dr. Amanda Liewen, clinic director.
- The **APP Access Clinic**. This clinic provides immediate access to individuals in the community. Thank you, Abi Musholt, PA-C, for your leadership.
- The formal establishment of a **Neurodevelopmental Disorders Clinic**. Thank you, Dr. Jay O’ Grady, clinic director.
- The **Adult ADHD Clinic**. Thank you, Dr. Stephanie Kohler-Neuwirth, clinic director.
- The (formal establishment of an) **Adolescent Mental Health Clinic**.

Additionally, the **Treatment Resistant Depression Clinic** expanded to include intranasal Esketamine (in addition to Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation). Thank you, Dr. Michael Montie, clinic director. Thanks to these tireless efforts, several faculty members have received recognition (*BizTimes*, *Milwaukee Magazine*, WTMJ News to name a few). However, I believe that the unsung heroes have been the entire administrative team (led by Bob Huberty) and the entire nursing team (led by LaRhonda McConnell). Perhaps this is why Dr. Lehrmann and David Peterson nominated the entire Tosa Center team for the 2021 MCP Lee A. Biblo Excellence in Professionalism Award.

I have promised the team that I will propose no more than five new clinics this coming year. We shall see...

Himanshu Agrawal, MD, DF-APA
Medical Director
Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine Clinics, Tosa Center



Faculty Development Updates MEETING OUR NEEDS

This past year has highlighted the importance of supporting each other and meeting our wellness and developmental needs in our own way. Many of us reimagined our professional work in unexpected ways. Resilience is successfully adapting in the face of these challenges and stressors, and we strive to support resilience for all in this department. I thank all those who stepped up this past year to serve as peer support volunteers, mentors, mentees, and committee members guiding our development efforts.

Over the past year, our Mentoring Program and Committee have fully launched. The dedicated work of those on the committee, Drs. Agrawal, Brundage, Galletly, Koth, Quinn, Smith and Walsh, and the support of Joy Ehlenbach, have allowed the program to successfully enroll 36 mentors and 26 mentees. As of June 1, not quite one full year into the program, we have paired 13 newly-hired faculty with a mentor, and asked the pairs to meet as needed for one year starting at the new faculty’s six month mark after hire. Among other mentees, we have had one individual move away, two that are working on completing their enrollment, and two incoming faculty who have not yet reached their six months since hire. Additionally, we have five more new faculty joining in the next few months who will be enrolled in the program. We have also had eight formal mentoring pairings made by request, from faculty self-selecting into the program, with another joining this month.

June marks the first formal opportunity for mentors and mentees to provide feedback on the program, both through a survey and a “Lunch ‘n Learn” event. We are excited to listen to everyone’s thoughts and suggestions so that we can continue to improve this development opportunity. The committee plans more educational events and will have other exciting new programming to reveal in the upcoming year. Many thanks to all!

Thanks also goes to our APT Committee, now operating fully independently but in coordination with our Mentoring Committee. Drs. Chayer, Larsen, Wrzosek, Sieck, and Steven, along with the new Chair, Dr. Heather Smith and support (again) of Joy Ehlenbach, are dedicated to a revised and updated approach to guiding faculty through the promotion process. This group has exciting ideas for educational opportunities within the Department, new communication methods for issues related to promotion, and ways to assist faculty with materials preparation. If you have interest in helping this committee, your contribution would provide service to the Department that counts toward your advancement as well!

Jennifer Apps, PhD
Associate Professor
Associate Vice-Chair of Faculty Development





Research Notes
UPDATES FROM THE CENTER FOR AIDS INTERVENTION RESEARCH (CAIR)

Although CAIR is widely known in the Department and MCW, I would like to highlight some of the topics of research currently being undertaken by CAIR research teams.

Yuri Amirkhanian, PhD, PI (NIMH), “Mobilizing Social Network Resources for HIV Care Support: Development and Testing of an Intervention for HIV-Positive Men Who Have Sex with Men in Russia”

Michelle Broaddus, PhD, PI (AHW), “HWPP Strategic Component of Wisconsin Community Coalitions Behavioral Health Initiative”

Carol Galletly, JD, PhD, PI (NIMHD), “Perceived Immigration Law Impact on Immigrants’ HIV Health Behavior”

Laura Glasman, PhD, PI (NIMH), “Regular HIV Testing and HIV Prevention Among At-Risk Latino Men in the Heartland”

Steven John, PhD, PI (NIMH), “Optimizing an IMB-guided Intervention to Support HIV Self-Testing and PrEP Uptake Among Young Men Who Have Sex with Men: A Pilot Factorial RCT”

Jeffrey Kelly, PhD, and Yuri Amirkhanian, PhD, MPIs (NINR), “Increasing PrEP Use in High-Risk Social Networks of African American Men Who Have Sex with Men in Underserved Low-Uptake Cities”

Alan Nyitray, PhD, PI (NCI), “Annual Anal Sampling Using DNA Screening to Identify Men Who Have Sex with Men at Increased Risk for Anal Cancer” and “Optimizing Age-Based and Cancer Screening Among People Living with HIV Using Decision Analytic Modeling”

Katherine Quinn, PhD, MPI (NIMH), “Continuous Traumatic Violence and HIV Continuum of Care Outcomes Among Black Men Who Have Sex with Men: and “The Impact of Violence and Systemic Racism on COVID-19 Testing Outcomes Among Black Residents of Chicago”

Jennifer Walsh, PhD, and Andy Petroll, MD, PhD, MPIs (NINR), “Testing a Multi-Component Intervention to Improve Health Outcomes and Quality of Life Among Rural Older Adults Living with HIV”

Jennifer Walsh, PhD, PI (NIMH), “Longitudinal Predictors of PrEP Use and Adherence Among Young Black Men Who Have Sex with Men”

Even with this outstanding record of HIV research funding, CAIR is in the process of expanding its vision and mission and applying lessons learned to new, emerging public health challenges such as COVID-19, to further expand and diversify CAIR’s research portfolio.

Jeffrey A. Kelly, PhD • Professor and Director, CAIR



Notes from the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FOR CAP

It has been a busy time for the Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (CAP), and I would like to highlight some of the work that we have been doing.

People. It has been a time for significant change in the division. As of last week, Dr. Rich Barthel is not providing patient care at Children’s Wisconsin (CW) or one of its affiliates for the first time in over 40 years. Rich has been at the center of the division for most of that time, setting the example for excellence in patient care, ethical principles and high-quality educational experiences for learners at all levels. Rich will continue with MCW as Emeritus faculty. We wish Rich well as he starts this much earned transition. Another significant addition to our efforts is the recruitment of our long-time colleague Dr. Matt Jandrisevits. Matt transitions from CW to join our faculty as an outstanding clinician, educator, and researcher. He is already established as an important member of our consultative team, and we are excited to have him as part of our faculty.

Clinical. The clinical work done by the faculty and staff in the CAP Division has exceeded our budgeted number of visits over the past year. This has truly been made possible by the hard work of all of the clinicians to adapt and change to rapidly evolving virtual care platforms and a steadfast commitment to the highest quality and best outcomes for our patients and families.

Education. In support of the MCW effort to expand medical education across the state, the Division, as led by Dr. Erica Arrington, is exploring a rural track for our CAP Fellowship in Northeast Wisconsin. This program is a result of a state-funded planning grant and will merit further updates in future editions of *PSYCHED*.

Community Service. Our division continues the work of providing support and guidance to the primary care providers of Wisconsin through the DHS funded Wisconsin Child Psychiatry Consultation Program (WI-CPCP). The program, under the guidance of Medical Director Dr. Rosa Kim, has expanded service to all of Wisconsin’s 72 counties. The need for virtual enrollment and outreach has emphasized the importance of our online platform. Much work has been done by the team on that infrastructure. Our web-based educational offerings are now on a new platform. This was launched with a significant awareness campaign to announce our new name, logo, and contact information.

Robert Chayer, MD
 Associate Professor, Chucker Aring Chair of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin
 Vice-Chair of Child and Adolescent Services, MCW



Guest Column by Gerry Posner

DR. HARRY PROSEN—A PSYCHIATRIC STAR WHEREVER HE GOES

It was not hard for me to jump on the Harry Prosen bandwagon for at least three reasons. First, his last name is so very close to mine that I felt a kind of a brotherly connection to him. After all, Prosen and Posner have the same letters, just rearranged.

Second, Harry Prosen is likely the oldest Jewish graduate of the University of Manitoba Medical school still working in the area of psychiatry. He will be 91 in June and still counting. Third, Prosen has serious credentials. Prosen has had a long and illustrious career—and he did it in two countries, another remarkable achievement. Prosen can say that he has been actively involved in both clinical and teaching psychiatry for over 50 years.

From 1975 to 1987, Harry Prosen served as the Head of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Manitoba. And then, just like a hockey player exercising his option, he was picked up by the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, from 1987-2003.

Over his entire career, Prosen has been on the boards of many clinical and academic institutions, government and editorial boards in both countries, as well as serving as a consultant to many universities and other associations. Moreover, in 1978-79, Prosen was President of the Canadian Psychiatric Association. His work at the Medical College in Wisconsin earned Harry the Distinguished Service Award. Significantly, students in the Medical Faculty in Wisconsin elected him to the Alpha Omega honorary medical society.

Not to be overlooked is that Prosen is a Fellow of the Royal Colleges of Canada, the United Kingdom, the American College of Psychiatry and a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. In short, a lightweight Prosen is not. Just how did all of this happen to the Saskatoon-born Prosen?

In fact, Prosen grew up in Calgary until he was 15, when his mother, the former Ruth Prosen, prevailed on his father to move to Winnipeg so she could be close to her sister, Laura Moser.

Thus, it came to pass that Harry Prosen grew up on Burrows and later Inkster Boulevard, attended St. John's Tech High School and ultimately entered the University of Manitoba. Prosen had psychiatry in his mind and as he puts it, the path to becoming a psychiatrist was through Medicine, so that is why he entered that field. He had little in the way of Jewish trailblazers as the only other individual at the time who had gone the psychiatry route was Dr. John Matas. Harry's initial studies were at the University of Manitoba. He then finished his residency at the University of

Chicago and came under the tutelage of some notable researchers, including Heinz Kohut.

It would not be a stretch to say that Harry Prosen was in large part responsible for building the Department of Psychiatry in Manitoba. And, even to this day, Harry still attends grand rounds in Winnipeg on a regular basis—virtually, as well as in Wisconsin. Still, even with all his achievements in Manitoba, when he tried to Zoom in recently to the Psych Health Centre, he was asked who he was and how to spell his name.

Prosen, who was once the President of the Jewish Child and Family Service in Winnipeg, and therapist for a number of professionals, faced a major decision when he was 57. He had an opportunity to start a new department in Milwaukee, and as Harry puts it, his wife, the former Yvonne Schussler, told him, "Harry, you are a builder, go where they want you to build." That is exactly what he did.

One area in which Prosen became significantly involved was working with primates. That came about due to his emphasis on intergenerational issues in families, having to do in particular with empathy and empathetic deficits. If you read any of his early work on non-verbal communications and variations in facial features under different circumstances, you could get a glimpse of how he soon became so interested in working with primates, particularly bonobos. Harry's work with one particular bonobo named Brian received significant publicity as he essentially rehabilitated a very young, but disturbed bonobo and basically helped him to the point where he became an alpha male. The case was so unusual that there was an entire story about Harry and Brian in the *Atlantic Monthly*.

Sadly, Harry told me that COVID has negatively affected primates like Brian, who has now reverted to his original withdrawn state. Nonetheless, Harry's serious commitment to primates is confirmed by the fact that he was the psychiatric consultant to the Bonobo Species Preservation Society (who knew?) and he continues to work with one of the largest collections of captive bonobo primates in the world at the Milwaukee County Zoo. Find anyone else from Burrows Avenue who can make that statement. In short, given all that Harry has done, is it any wonder that I wax more than prosaic about Prosen's accomplishments?

As recently published in the *Jewish Post and News*

<https://www.jewishpostandnews.ca/8-features/804-harry-prosen-a-psychiatric-star-wherever-he-goes>



GETTING TO KNOW...

Faculty and Staff from the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine



MARIA OLEX

Licensed Clinical Health Psychologist
Palliative Medicine

What is your educational background?

I completed my bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Iowa and went on to complete my doctorate in psychology from Adler University in Chicago.

How long have you worked at MCW?

I started June 1, 2021.

Describe your typical work day.

I'll be working within the Palliative Medicine Department at Froedtert Hospital, helping patients and their families adjust and cope with the complex medical issues and the co-morbid psychiatric concerns associated with this disruption in their lives.

What do you like most about your job—what attracted you to this field?

Seeing the resilience that people have attracted me toward this field. I love learning more about patient's unique stories and how they came to be. Feeling like you made a difference in someone's life is very rewarding.

Tell us about life outside of MCW.

I love being outside and staying active throughout the year. During the summer, I enjoy being on the lake, kayaking, playing volleyball, and checking out new breweries and restaurants with my friends. I just got a new puppy, Millie, at the end of March, and have enjoyed finding new walking trails to take her to—actually we both like the adventure of it! In the winter, I enjoy visiting the western part of the US to go snowboarding. I love traveling and visiting new places!

Just for fun—what are your favorite movies, books, music?

I'm part of the very few people in the world that don't enjoy movies—I nearly always find myself asleep within the first 10 minutes! In the off chance that I do stay up, I enjoy comedies. I do however enjoy a good murder documentary! As far as music goes, I love all types of music, and will listen to different genres based on my mood.

Tell us a fun/unique fact about yourself.

I was born in Ukraine and speak Russian.



GRACE WEBER

Clinical Coordinator
Wisconsin Child Psychiatry Consultation
Program (CPCP), Southwest Region

What is your educational background?

I have a bachelor of science degree in biomedical science with a minor in chemistry. I'm also a licensed science teacher for grades 5 through 12.

How long have you worked at MCW?

I just started at MCW on May 3rd of this year.

Describe your typical work day.

A big part of my workday usually means I am in the CPCP's REDCap database, working on enrolling providers in the Wisconsin CPCP. Outside of that, I'm also helping with needed and requested resources and educational needs, plus being a part of the process for connecting primary care physicians with appropriate CPCP staff psychiatrists and psychologists.

What do you like most about your job—what attracted you to this field?

I truly enjoy the process of working with our frontline primary care providers who provide children and adolescents with proper mental health care and mental health resources. I love that we can have an impact on anyone participating in CPCP and that I have a role when bridging the gap to proper mental health care.

Tell us about life outside of MCW.

I have two dogs, Chandler and Duke, a cat, Ted, and two horses, Ducky and Walt. In my free time, I love to horseback ride, run, and cook.

Just for fun—what are your favorite movies, books, music?

My favorite music artist is Tyler Childers.

Tell us a fun/unique fact about yourself.

My parents own an alpaca farm. So, if you ever need or desire alpaca clothing products made from their glorious yarn, I certainly have the connection!

**Know someone in the Department
that we all should "get to know?"
Email your nomination to
kkjames@mcw.edu**

HAPPY RETIREMENT RICH BARTHEL & GUNNAR LARSON!

I am honored to acknowledge such committed and loyal MCW faculty members. When I began my residency at MCW, both Rich and Gunnar served as teachers and mentors for me, continuing in these roles to this day.



RICK BARTHEL, MD

Assistant Professor
Child and Adolescent Psychiatry



GUNNAR LARSON, MD

Associate Professor
Outpatient Mental Health Program Manager
Clement J. Zablocki VA Medical Center

How long have I been at MCW? I was here “prenatally!” I graduated from Marquette School of Medicine in 1970 and the name change to MCW happened (metaphorically) as we walked off the graduation stage. I returned to MCW as a faculty member in 1978. That was after training in Pediatrics (University of Illinois), Psychiatry and Child Psychiatry (University of Michigan), and two years in the Navy. My office was at the old Children’s Hospital building at 17th and Wisconsin (it is now a Marquette dorm). The Department Chairman was Dr. Spiro and “founding” Child Chief was Dr. Sackin.

How have things changed over the years? It is easier to note what has not changed...the dedication of Department/Division faculty to excellent training. Evident for all levels of trainees, in multiple disciplines, it could not occur without the long term support of the various hospital systems. That has been sustained despite constantly shifting stressors—social and financial. Personally, I have benefited (literally) from millions of dollars of support for my clinical and educational pursuits from Children’s. The major change I note is in the ways we educate/assess our learners. This is not just a COVID fueled, short term shift. I speak, more broadly, to the “datafication” of the process. If this changes the interpersonal aspects of our teaching is yet to be determined.

My career highlights? I see my career ‘highlights’ as relationships made with local, regional, and national colleagues, including past trainees. The ability to tell someone, “Talk to Dr. R. in California about that,” is an extraordinary gift. To pick an “event”—successful hosting of the Child Psychiatry Boards in Milwaukee.

What’s next following retirement? My half-time work has given me a start on volunteering in the community. I will expand on that role by driving “old folks” to their appointments and Meals on Wheels while they are still warm. Diana and I are coming up on our 50th wedding anniversary and would like to start traveling (safely) again; however, I don’t want to miss too many Grand Rounds. Who will ask questions?

Looking back, one of the strongest attractions for moving to Milwaukee was that it wasn’t Chicago, which I loved and still love, but I had my fill of sitting in my car for three to four hours a day by the end of my residency. The Milwaukee VA was clean, seemed well run, and was relatively new compared to its Chicago area counterparts. As a family, with our daughter being born seven weeks after I started work, we moved to Wauwatosa. We were drowning in my medical school debt but the VA paid me enough to not go into bankruptcy immediately while I lined up after-hours work to supplement our income. The VA and the Psychiatry Department were “estranged” due to an argument several years earlier between the two leadership teams.

When Dr. Prosen became the Chair of Psychiatry he set a goal to reestablish a teaching service at the VA. He gave me that goal to pursue as a faculty member. There were no Psychiatry residents at the VA and the few students who rotated there usually felt like they had “lost” the rotation lottery. To be honest mental health was the worst hospital service, suffering under a laissez-faire management style that allowed an attitude to develop that were more concerned with staff comfort than providing treatment.

Thankfully Dr. Richard Gibson had been there for a year, having been hired as the inpatient medical director. He was an incredible partner at the VA until he retired a few years ago and was always supportive of things I wanted to tilt against and vice versa. Pushing change in a big, stubborn system is not enjoyable and I thought several times of leaving but a difference maker was having the ongoing support of Dr. Prosen, Dr. Garthwaite (VA COS) and finding colleagues willing to keep moving things forward. It felt like we turned a corner when we started recruiting and keeping people on staff such as Dr. Berger and Dr. Lehrmann who threw themselves into their work and became quick friends and colleagues, along with so many others across the years. What makes retiring easier is that I think we have all helped make the Zablocki mental health service a great one. I’m proud of having worked there and helped make lasting changes. What’s better than being able to say that at the end of your career?

Gunnar retired in May and Rich will be retiring at the end of June. Exceptional educators. Willing service and education leaders. Mentors to others. Their work is invaluable to the history of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine. Each leaves with us at MCW a distinguished legacy. ~ Jon

DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS



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