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Tatiana:

The proposal from the Department of Family Medicine to change its name to the Department of Family and Community Medicine was approved by the Council on Academic Affairs at its meeting on January 22, 2020. Thank you for attending the meeting to response to questions/comments.

The proposal will now be sent to the University Senate with a request that it be included on the agenda of the Senate meeting on February 20, 2020. The Chair of the Council, Professor Jennifer Higginbotham, will present the proposal but we will need your or someone from the Department or College to attend to answer any detailed questions. If approved by the Senate it will be sent to the Board of Trustees for the final level of review/approval at a forthcoming Board meeting. I will provide you with details as I get them.

Please keep a copy of this message for your file on the proposal and I will do the same for the file in the Office of Academic Affairs.

If you have any questions, please contact Professor Higginbotham (.37) or me.

Congratulations on the successful completion of this important stage in the approval process.

Randy



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December 28, 2019

TO: Council on Academic Affairs

FROM: Tania (Tatiana) Oberyshyn, Ph.D.
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RE: Request for Department Name Change

Attached are documents requesting a name change of the Department of Family Medicine to The Department of Family and Community Medicine. In addition to the unanimous support by the faculty, the College of Medicine Council unanimously approved the request on December 18, 2019.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tania (Tatiana) Oberyshyn, PhD
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Department of Family Medicine

Name Change Proposal

The Proposal: Change the name to **Department of Family and Community Medicine**

Rationale:

- Aligns with enterprise strategic priority of improving health and wellness in our communities
- Shows alignment with values of partner colleges/schools/departments (Public Health, Social Work, Nursing, Population Health, Preventive Medicine and more)
- Shows a strong commitment to community engagement and empowerment, population health and health equity
- Commonly used name in large, top academic Family Medicine departments, highlighting roots of Family Medicine as a community-focused specialty

Department of Family Medicine Community Health Initiatives:

- Specialized/focused clinics (Teen Clinic, Asian Free Clinic, Columbus Free Clinic, La Clinica Latina, Noor Community Clinic)
- Multiple programs serving vulnerable populations (Refugee Clinic, Transgender Primary Care Clinic, opioid addiction/medication-assisted therapy services)
- Education (Health equity curriculum, urban track residency pathway, medical education opioid use disorder program)
- Community programs (Mid-Ohio Food Farmacy partnership, Community Care Coach mobile unit, Exercise is Medicine program)

Status:

- Unanimous vote of support from Department of Family Medicine faculty (September 18, 2019)
- Vote of approval from College of Medicine Dean's Council (December 18, 2019)



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Department of Family Medicine Name Change Proposal

College Council Meeting
October 2019

The Proposal

Officially change the name of the Department of Family Medicine to the
Department of Family & Community Medicine

Approved by Unanimous Vote of Family Medicine Faculty in September 2019

Rationale

- Aligns with enterprise strategic priority of *improving health and wellness in our community*
- Better reflects core values in Family Medicine:
 - *care across the continuum,*
 - *care for families and their communities,*
 - *holistic social, medical, behavioral, culturally-competent care*
- Better aligns with values of partner Colleges/Schools/Departments such as Public Health, Social Work, Nursing, Population Health, Preventive Medicine
- Shows a strong commitment to community engagement and empowerment, population health and health equity
- Commonly used name in large, top academic Family Medicine Departments

Existing Community-Based Engagement



Specialized/focused clinics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teen and Adolescent Clinic• Free clinics (Latino, Asian, Noor)
Vulnerable populations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refugee and Asylee program• Transgender Clinic• Opioid addiction/MAT clinics
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health equity curriculum• Urban track residency pathway• Med ed opioid use disorder program
Community programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FQHC partnerships• Mid-Ohio Food Bank “Farmacy”• Mobile Health Unit (<i>coming soon</i>)

USNWR Top-Ranked Family Medicine Programs

Ranking	Program
1	Oregon Health and Sciences University Department of Family Medicine
2	University of Washington Department of Family Medicine
3	University of Michigan – Ann Arbor Department of Family Medicine
4	University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill Department of Family Medicine
5	University of California – San Francisco Department of Family & Community Medicine
6	University of Minnesota Department of Family Medicine & Community Health
7	University of Colorado Department of Family Medicine
8	University of New Mexico Department of Family & Community Medicine
9	University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Family Medicine & Community Health
10	Duke University Department of Community & Family Medicine
11	University of Kansas – Medical Center Department of Family Medicine & Community Health
12	Boston University Department of Family Medicine

6 of the top 12
ranked Family
Medicine programs
have **community** in
their names



Thank You



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