Cardiology Fellows Graduate from Cardiovascular Disease and Interventional Programs

The University of Arizona Sarver Heart Center and the Division of Cardiology at UA­rizona College of Medicine – Tucson celebrated the graduation of eight cardiologists, including six who completed the three-year Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship Program and two who completed an additional year of specialized training in the Interventional Cardiology Fellowship Program.

Graduated cardiovascular disease fellows with faculty from left: Muhammad Ajmal, MBBS, Omid Yousefian, MD, Steven Chase Stroud, MD, Nancy Sweitzer, MD, PhD, (Sarver Heart Center director), Julia Indik, MD, PhD, (fellowship program director) Sundeep Shenoy, MBBS, David Hamilton, MD, and Gary Chan, DO, PhD.
Graduated interventional cardiology fellows and faculty from left: Kristina Skinner, DO, Deepak Acharya, MD, MSPH, (fellowship program director) and Chioma Nwagbara, MBBS.

“This is a heartfelt celebration of all you have accomplished,” said Nancy Sweitzer, MD, PhD. “You have become skilled cardiologists, thanks to the dedication of our faculty. We are so proud of our graduates, who you are now as well as who you will become,” added Dr. Sweitzer, professor of medicine, chief of cardiology and director of the Sarver Heart Center at the College of Medicine – Tucson.

During the June 12 graduation program, awards for outstanding fellows and faculty were presented. Faculty members who received awards include Tushar Acharya, MD, MPH, Arka Chatterjee, MD, Mark Friedman, MD, Elizabeth Juneman, MD, Krishan Patel, MD, Satinder Singh, MD, and Madhan Sundaram, MD.

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Minority Outreach Program Receives Walmart Day of Giving Grant

The Sarver Heart Center Minority Outreach Program/Community Coalition for Heart Health Education (CCHHE) received a $20,000 grant from Walmart on its National Day of Giving. “On behalf of Sarver Heart Center, thank you to Walmart for recognizing and supporting the far-reaching work of the Community Coalition,” said Elizabeth Juneman, MD, associate professor of medicine and medical director of the Sarver Heart Center Minority Outreach Program.
the Advanced Heart Failure Program. Dr. Juneman has collaborated with CCHHE to present heart health information focused on women.

“These grants will further our volunteers’ outreach program,” said Wanda F Moore, chair of CCHHE. Since 2009, the committee has contributed more than 600,000 volunteer hours to educate often under-served people about heart health.

WARRIOR Clinical Trial Focuses on Women with Non-obstructive Coronary Artery Disease

University of Arizona Sarver Heart Center is a site for the WARRIOR Clinical Trial focused on women who have cardiac symptoms, such as chest pain, but show no severe obstruction in their coronary arteries. This study is being conducted at multiple U.S. locations to determine whether aggressive medication treatment to modify risk factors will reduce the likelihood of dying, having a heart attack, stroke or being hospitalized in these symptomatic women. The results of this study will provide data necessary to inform future guidelines regarding how best to treat this growing population of women, and ultimately improve their cardiac health and quality of life and reduce health-care costs.

This is one example of the more than 20 clinical research studies underway in Sarver Heart Center’s Clinical Research Program. To learn more about clinical research at Sarver Heart Center, visit SARVER HEART CENTER CLINICAL RESEARCH

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