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Meet the Staff

Kathy
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Development

Community Impact Champion

Founders of the CamjStyle Shoes Just For Me, LLC company.

We set up our company in December after working for several diabetic supply companies. Our company has two divisions, one that furnishes a range of diabetic supplies and one that customizes shoes for people who just want a great pair of properly fitting shoes, like teachers, barbers, and others who are on their feet a lot. As we have traveled across the United States and around the World, ladies say all the time that when they wear shoes they get accustomed to pain in their feet. (click [here](#) to read entire bio).



Lischke Appointed to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Association of Free Clinics

Michael Lischke, Ed.D, M.P.H., has been appointed to the North Carolina Association of Free Clinics' (NCAFC) board of directors. Lischke is the director of Northwest AHEC, which is affiliated with Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

Northwest AHEC is a center of the Wake Forest University School of Medicine whose mission is to support regional health care and provide advanced training to health care professionals and students in a 17-county region.



NCAFC is a private, nonprofit organization that assists free clinics in research, public relations, resource development, training and technical issues. NCAFC supports more than 70 free clinics and



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Upcoming Events

E-Learning Seminar: "What You Don't Know: The Science of Unconscious Bias and What To Do About it in the Search and Recruitment Process"

There is overwhelming scientific evidence that unconscious bias may influence the evaluation and selection of candidates from entry-level to leadership positions in all types of organizations, including medical schools and teaching hospitals. This presentation, created for academic medicine audiences, is designed to acquaint search committees and others with this research as one step toward mitigating the effects of unconscious bias. Click [here](#) for

pharmacies that support at least 79 of the 100 counties in North Carolina. These clinics offer primary care services, chronic disease management, medication dispensing and management, and dental care as well as some additional specialty care.

Lischke is an associate professor of Family and Community Medicine, an adjunct faculty member for the Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity and an associate faculty member for the Women's Health Center of Excellence, and he also serves as the executive director of the Office of Continuing Medical Education.

Wake Forest Baptist Researcher Receives Recognition Award

Debra Diz, Ph.D., interim director for the Hypertension and Vascular Research Center at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, has been appointed to the External Historically Black Colleges and Universities Undergraduate Program (HBCU-Up) Advisory Committee at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte. She has participated in an advisory meeting for the National Science Foundation sponsored program (HBCU-UP) and serves as the liaison with the Wake Forest University School of Medicine for summer research internships.



Dr. Diz is an affiliate with The Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity.

Dr. Brenda Latham-Sadler Appointment

Brenda Latham-Sadler, M.D., assistant dean of Student Services at Wake Forest University's School of Medicine, is presently serving as Immediate Past President on the executive committee for the Forsyth-Stokes-Davie County Medical Society and served as president last year. Latham-Sadler has also been appointed to the State Health Coordinating Council by N.C. Gov. Beverly Perdue as well as the National Board of Medical Examiners Medical Schools Advisory Committee. She also serves on the Association of American Medical Colleges Group on Student Affairs, representing the southern region.



Dr. Latham-Sadler is Co-Director of Student and Faculty Development with The Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity.

Jennifer Gastelum Selected as NAB Student Representative

Jennifer Gastelum has been selected to be the student representative for the Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity National Advisory Board. In the history of the Center, Jennifer is the first to be appointed as a student representative. More about her role and responsibilities will follow in future issues.



Jennifer is a second year medical student at Wake Forest University School of Medicine.

SAMHSA and the Ad Council Launch

complete seminar information.

To participate in this free seminar, you must first complete a brief [registration form](#).

SAVE THE DATE

Delivering Equal Access to Care (DEAC) - Student-Run Free Health Clinic Second Anniversary Fundraising Gala
Thursday, September 16, 2010
7:00pm to 10:00pm
Millenium Center, Downtown Winston Salem. (click [here](#) for more information)

Resources

[Interactions Between Race/Ethnicity and Anthropometry in Risk of Incident](#)

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The Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity envisions the achievement of health equity by moving scientific discovery to action.

MISSION

The Maya Angelou Center for Health Equity is dedicated to the goal of achieving health equity by:

- conducting translational research to impact population health,
- developing sustainable and mutually-beneficial community partnerships, and
- delivering educational initiatives to diversify the clinical, biomedical, and public health workforce

VALUES

- Efficient Research
- Empowered Community Partnerships
- Excellence in Professional Development and Training

National Campaign to Raise Awareness About Mental Health Problems in Multicultural Communities

SAMHSA, in collaboration with the Ad Council, announced today the launch of a national public service advertising (PSA) campaign to promote recovery from mental health problems within multicultural communities by educating and inspiring young adults to talk openly about issues of mental health. The culturally targeted PSAs seek to motivate societal change toward social acceptance and decrease negative attitudes that may surround mental illness. These PSAs are part of a larger multicultural public service effort designed to reach [Hispanic/Latino](#), [American Indian](#), [Chinese American](#), and [African American](#) communities during National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month.



Mental illnesses, including depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, and schizophrenia, are widespread in the United States. According to SAMHSA, from 2004 to 2007, an average of 15.6 percent of Hispanic/Latino 18- to 25-year-olds reported serious psychological distress in the past year. Despite the high prevalence among this group, only slightly more than one in four (28.3 percent) of Hispanic/Latino young adults with serious psychological distress received care within the past 12 months. In that same period, an average of 20.7 percent of American Indian 18- to 25-year-olds reported serious psychological distress in the past year, and an average of 16.2 percent of Chinese American 18- to 25-year-olds reported serious psychological distress.

"Raising awareness that effective treatments for mental illnesses are available and that people recover, can encourage those in need to seek help," said SAMHSA Administrator Pamela S. Hyde, J.D. "Our goal with this campaign is to open the dialogue about supporting friends or family members with mental health problems in a culturally relevant way."

Closing

We hope you enjoyed this month's Health Equity Updates. Please email with any comments or suggestions.

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