

## FROM THE DESK OF THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM DIRECTOR



### To Friends of the Department of Medicine

It has been another wonderful year in the Jefferson Internal Medicine Residency Program. Our program continues to train the best and brightest residents in the country. This publication is just one example of the passion, dedication and creativity our residents continue to provide to the Jefferson Community. The residents are not just outstanding clinicians but excel in all aspects of medicine including: research, humanities and medical education.

Like every year, this year has seen changes in our training model as health care delivery across the country continues to evolve. We continue to grow our program to meet the needs of our residents and most importantly our patients. Together with our Chief Residents, Drs. Juergen Kloof, Drew Kotler, Megan Murphy, and Nicholas Tarangelo, we led a very successful retreat this past Fall. The retreat focused on optimizing the inpatient educational experience through redefining goals of the rotations and evolving didactics to meet the changing educational needs of our residents. The residents are leaders in delivering outstanding care to our patients across the spectrum and continue to challenge all of us to provide quality, cost effective, safe care to our patients daily.

This journal, now in its 20th edition, continues to exemplify the perseverance, inquisitiveness, and talent of our Internal Medicine residents. Congratulations to the Editors and all of the residents who contributed to another amazing edition of the Forum. I hope you will enjoy reading it!

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