

# Fairbanks Memorial Hospital & Alaska WWAMI 2006 Mini Medical School

The 2006 Mini Medical School will highlight several topical and current issues in medical science. Speakers will use lectures and interactive patient examples to demonstrate innovations in medical science. Beginning with liver disease and ending with how we make decisions, participants will explore many new advances in the field of medicine.



**Moderator: Danny Robinette, M.D., F.A.C.S**

Dr. Robinette has been active in medicine in Alaska for over 13 years, working as a general surgeon. He is a former chief of staff of FMH, currently works in private practice with Northern Alaska Medical and Surgical Associates, is Medical Director of Interior Region Emergency Medical Services, and is an Assistant Clinical Instructor in Surgery with the University of Washington.



Monday, Oct. 2 **ABCs of Liver Disease — Brian J McMahon, M.D.**

What are the signs and main causes of liver diseases in the United States and how can they be prevented and treated?

Dr. Brian J. McMahon is the Scientific Program and Clinical Director of the Liver Disease and Hepatitis Program, Arctic Investigations Program, and Centers for Disease Control.



Monday, Oct. 9 **Spinal Cord Injury Treatments — Thomas Kuhn, Ph.D.**

Spinal cord injuries are responsible for some of the most devastating disabilities in the modern world. Learn about current spinal cord injury treatments, the status of research, and potential future therapeutic strategies. Dr. Thomas Kuhn is a UAF Professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry and Institute of Arctic Biology.



Monday, Oct. 16 **Brave New Bodies: exploring the ethics of human enhancement — Stephanie Bauer, Ph.D.**

Dr. Stephanie Bauer will be discussing the ethics and repercussions of human enhancement. Dr. Bauer is an Assistant Professor in the Philosophy Department at the University of Alaska Anchorage with a special interest in Bioethics, Ethics, and Feminist Philosophy.



Monday, Oct. 23 **Flu Season Again — Jay Butler, M.D.**

Learn about the history and types of influenza, along with what to expect in the event of a flu outbreak. How to protect ourselves and what steps can be taken to prevent infection and transmission of the disease will also be covered. Dr. Jay Butler is an Epidemiologist for the State of Alaska.



Monday, Oct. 30 **Changing Paradigms in the Understanding of Human Behavior — Eric Taylor, M.D.**

Explore changing paradigms in the understanding of human behavior and the effects of "the decade of the brain" on our understanding of psychiatric illness. Dr. Eric Taylor teaches family medicine and psychiatric residents through Alaska WWAMI. In 2006 he is the Chief of Staff at Providence Alaska Medical Center.

**The 2006 Mini Medical School will begin each evening at 7:00 pm and conclude at 9:00 pm in the Edgewater Room at Fairbanks Princess Hotel**

The Alaska WWAMI 2006 Mini Medical Lecture Series is co-sponsored by the University of Washington School of Medicine and Regional Affairs, Fairbanks Memorial Hospital/Denali Center, and the University of Alaska.



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Please include a check for \$10.00 made payable to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. Pre-registration is required due to limited available seating. *Scholarships are available for students.*

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## Alaska WWAMI Program

As Alaska's Medical School, the Alaska WWAMI Program provides medical education to Alaskans; enhances the ability of Alaska physicians to provide quality health care to Alaska residents; promotes the understanding of Alaska health care issues through coordinating and supporting Alaska-based, health research; and provides greater access to health careers to residents of our state.

In 1971, the Alaska WWAMI program offered its first class in Fairbanks. There were three students in that first class. Thirty years later, this collaborative partnership provides the opportunity for 10 Alaskans a year to have access to public medical education. In addition each year, we have about 100 third and fourth year WWAMI medical students in Alaska completing required six-week clinical clerkships in Psychiatry, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Internal medicine, Family Medicine, Neurology, Surgery and Pediatrics, plus a variety of elective clinical training opportunities. After these students complete the requirements for the MD degree, the WWAMI Program partners with Providence Alaska Medical Center in the Family Practice Residency Program to provide specialty training to twenty-four residents. There are over one hundred Alaskan physicians on the Alaska WWAMI Faculty. Many of the physicians in Alaska have received all or part of their training as WWAMI students. Today there are programs and services offered throughout the state, and there are WWAMI graduates, students and residents all over Alaska. Many health care providers volunteer today and have volunteered over the years to make this program a success.

If you would like more information about the Alaska WWAMI program, please call either the University of Alaska Anchorage WWAMI Office at 907-786-4789 or the University of Washington School of Medicine Regional WWAMI Office at 907-264-6784.

### Alaska WWAMI Mini Medical School

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