Welcome from Anirban Basu

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to share with you the many achievements of The CHOICE Institute faculty, students and alumni for the Winter 2019 quarter. Service to the field of Health Economics and Outcomes Research (HEOR) is a central mission for CHOICE members. Whether serving on a committee on the National Academies of Sciences (Andy Stergachis) or an editorial advisory board for a leading pharmacoepidemiology Journal (Ryan Hansen), we have been consciously devoted to service in the field. Our stellar scholarship continues too. A highlight for this quarter is the special achievements of some of our alumni (Veena Shankaran, Jonathan Watanabe, and Blythe Adamson) and the recognition our current students are getting both within the University of Washington and at international conferences.

It is also my great pleasure to introduce Marina Gano as our new CHOICE Institute Graduate Program and Operations Manager. She comes to us with invaluable knowledge and perspectives from working in the Graduate School at the UW, and a Master of Education degree in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies (Higher Education). We are excited to have her as part of our CHOICE family.

We look forward to seeing many of our partners at the ISPOR Annual Meeting in New Orleans this year. The CHOICE Institute Social Event will be on Monday, May 20th, 5:30 pm, at The Chicory, a 5-minute walk from the conference hotel. Please save the date and drop by to say hi if you are attending.

Details are below.

Sincerely,

Anirban Basu, PhD

Professor and Stergachis Family Endowed Director, The CHOICE Institute

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12 UWSOP Fellows & Students to present posters at ISPOR

Additionally, several students had multiple abstracts accepted to present at the conference. See who will present and the topics that will be covered. Read

Alumnae Bennette & Adamson to lead ISPOR short course

Carrie Bennette and Blythe Adamson, recent CHOICE alumnae, will present and co-lead one of the short courses, Tools for Reproducible Real-World Data Analysis More

2nd CHOICE Symposium featured Chuck Phelps

Professor Emeritus Chuck Phelps discussed alternative methods and challenges to conduct multi-

Please welcome Marina Gano to CHOICE!

Please welcome Marina Gano, our new CHOICE Institute Graduate Program

HECOR certificate expands program into Saudi Arabia

The Certificate in Health Economics and Outcomes Research (HECOR) program is running a program
criteria decision analysis and took us through a hands-on exercise at the 2nd CHOICE Symposium. Read

sponsored by AbbVie for health officials in Saudi Arabia, led by Professor Emeritus Lou Garrison. More

Awards & Honors

ALUMNA VEENA SHANKARAN RECEIVES HEALTH CARE GOLD AWARD

Veena Shankaran, '12, received Seattle Business Magazine Leaders in Health Care Gold Award: Achievement in Medical Research. In addition, she was recently appointed the new co-director of Fred Hutch's health care economics and policy group, the Hutchinson Institute for Cancer Outcomes Research (HICOR). More about her award

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI WATANABE

CHOICE alumnus Jonathan Watanabe, '98, '08, '12, was named the recipient for the Pharmacy Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award for Pharmaceutical Science and Research. The award will be presented at the annual Dean's Recognition Reception on May 8. Congratulations, Jonathan!

BETH DEVINE PRESENTED APhA-APRS ESAS KEYNOTE ON PHARMACOGENOMIC TESTING

Associate Professor Beth Devine's keynote on pharmacogenomic testing looked at the economics of individualized medicine. Her keynote was part of the Economic, Social & Administrative Sciences Section of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Pharmaceutical Research and Science (APhA-APRS ESAS) here in Seattle. Info
DOUG BARTHOLD AWARDED ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESEARCH CENTER PILOT AWARD

Doug Barthold was awarded the Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center Pilot Award, for a proposal titled “Alzheimer’s disease related neuropathology among patients with medication treated type 2 diabetes in a community-based autopsy cohort.” Read

Research & Grants

STERGACHIS SERVES ON NATIONAL ACADEMIES OF SCIENCES COMMITTEE

Associate Dean Andy Stergachis was appointed to a committee of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to conduct a study sponsored by the Veterans Administration, to assess the long-term effects of antimalarial drugs used by adults, in particular mefloquine, for the prophylaxis of malaria. Read

JOSH CARLSON AND YORK UK TEAM REVIEWED PSORIASIS DRUG, TILDRAKIZUMAB

Associate Professor Josh Carlson completed a sabbatical at the University of York, UK, where he participated in a National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) review of the psoriasis drug, Tildrakizumab. Read

ERIK LANDAAS PRESENTS PUPILSCREEN APP

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) is one of the leading causes of morbidity and mortality worldwide. CHOICE PhD student Erik Landaas has partnered with PhD students
at UW School of Nursing along with students at UW Computer Science, UW Engineering, and UW Neurosurgery to create a new mobile health phone app called PupilScreen. Read

Publications


Goulart B, Silgard ET, Baik CS, **Bansal A**, Sun Q, Durbin EB, Hands I, Kavuluru R, Shah D, Arnold SM, Ramsey SD, Schwartz S. Validity of Natural Language Processing for Ascertainment of EGFR and ALK Test Results in SEER Cases of Stage IV Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer. JCO Clinical Care Informatics [in press]


Haddad YK, Karani MV, Bergen G, Marcum ZA. Willingness to change medications linked to increased fall risk: a comparison between age groups. J Am Geriatr Soc 2018 [Epub ahead of print].


