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Hi Everyone,

One of our responsibilities as a tertiary organization is to provide educational outreach to our community partners. This week's Departmental Acknowledgement goes to **Holly Agostino, Sara Long-Gagne and John Yaremko**, who together with Barry Slapcoff of Family Medicine, put together this year's annual Departmental CPD effort entitled Practical Problems in Pediatrics that ran this week, from February 12-14.



Targeting the community-based primary care provider, the course's goal is to foster partnership and translate knowledge into improved care for children and families. This year's Annual Specialty Day focuses on infant health concentrating on common challenges including rashes, feeding issues, colic, and fever. This is followed by a two day cornucopia of pediatrics that draws upon almost the entire spectrum of the Department and a number of its members. Learning gaps are noted through informal upfront quizzes and there are many practical hands-on small group workshops that promote interaction and knowledge transfer. Recent advances in care are highlighted and evidence-based treatment of common problems are emphasized.

Please join me in thanking Holly, Sara and John for taking this on. An enormous amount of effort goes into this and the result is improved care and health outcomes.

Happy Valentine's Day!

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