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Hi Everyone!

While she was part of a group shout out last week for her MSSA Innovation Fund Award, **Anne Marie Sbrocchi** gets this week's Departmental Acknowledgement solo for her induction into the Faculty of Medicine & Health Science Honor Roll for Educational Excellence. This was announced by the Faculty and mentioned in *Paeds Reads* last August but given summer it may have been overlooked by some Department members. It is also an accomplishment that most certainly merits a DA.



The Honor Roll seeks to recognize outstanding contributions to education in the Faculty in the areas of teaching, educational leadership and innovation, faculty development, and educational scholarly activity. It is not given for a single occurrence but for a sustained body of educational excellence.

I was particularly struck by this nomination quote from one of Annie's colleagues that squarely hits the nail on the head about why Annie merited this recognition:

"While many faculty excel as role models and in clinical teaching, Dr. Sbrocchi distinguishes herself in moving far beyond the benchmark; she has demonstrated expertise as a clinical innovator in education, creating and implementing new modalities for learning, particularly in the care of vulnerable children and adolescents."

Annie was promoted to Associate Professor two years ago and is a member of our Division of General Pediatrics. Her clinical home is in the Complex Care Program for which she is now the Program Head. While she provides care to a range of complexly ill vulnerable children, as a pediatric endocrinologist she also has niche areas of expertise in bone metabolism and in the endocrinological management of individuals with gender-variance disorder.

Educationally she has overseen students, residents and fellows rotations in complex care and overseen the mentorship program for our general pediatrics PGME trainees. She is a sought after speaker for UGME, PGME and CPD lectures on challenging topics in pediatric clinical care. She is a bundle of energy who bounds rather than walks and whenever I see her, I can't help but be reminded of the line from Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*: "Though she be but little she is fierce", with fierce in this instance connotating energetic and bold.

Please join me in congratulating Annie on this Faculty recognition.

Have a great weekend everyone!

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