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Conroe Family Medicine Residency Program Graduates 38th Class

CONROE, TEXAS – The Conroe Family Medicine Residency Program (CFMR), celebrated its 38th graduating class of resident physicians during a ceremony at Lone Star Family Health Center June 24, 2022.

The commemoration also served as a welcome for the incoming class of 12 new resident physicians. For the first time in program history, 32 physicians receive training in the 2022-23 academic year.

“Our program was recently awarded a grant to expand by six trainees over the next three years,” said Karen Harwell, CEO of Lone Star Family Health Center.

“Residency expansion is critical important to keep pace with medical school expansion and address the growing need for primary care physicians.”

CFMR is a program sponsored by the Conroe Medical Education Foundation and jointly operated by Lone Star Family Health Center and HCA Houston Healthcare Conroe. The program began in 1979, has graduated over 264 residents since inception and is fully accredited by the accreditation council of graduate medical education (ACGME).

“This time of year comes with mixed emotions,” said Dr. Lata Joshi, program director of Conroe Family Medicine Residency. “As their training comes to an end it is bittersweet, yet exciting to watch their professional medical journey begin.”

Resident physicians receive full spectrum “hands-on” training in a congenial and collegial environment and learn to deliver cost-effective treatment while integrating the most advanced concepts in the medical field.

Welcomed into the program are Lauren Brown, M.D., Leslie Herd, M.D., Yezen Jarrar, M.D., Nimimiayifa Keating, M.D., Alexandria Lehrmann, M.D., Connie Liu, M.D., Dalena Nguyen, M.D, David Nguyen, D.O., Scarlett Reed, M.D., Brandon Torrez, M.D., Theresa Vu, D.O. and Jackie Zhang, M.D.

“It is very important for us to seek out resident physicians (or trainees) with local ties to our community so that we are more likely to produce well trained physicians that stay and practice in Montgomery and surrounding counties,” said Joshi.

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