

THE FAMILY MEDICINE MIDWEST SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY COLLABORATIVE

Joining forces to strengthen one another.

“If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.”

> African proverb cited in Newton W, Fetter G, Hoekzema GS, Hughes L, Magill M. Residency Learning Networks: Why and How. *Ann Fam Med.* 2022 Sep-Oct;20(5):492-494.

What is the Scholarly Activity Collaborative (SAC)?

- We aim to create network to improve residency scholarship through multi-site collaboration with the ultimate goal to improve health outcomes and health equity.

Who are we?

- Faculty from Midwestern states participating in Family Medicine Midwest.

What do we hope to achieve?

Connections between family medicine residency programs for

- To provide mutual support
- To conduct research studies and quality improvement projects across residency programs
- To share curricula and best practices to scholarly activities.

What have we accomplished?

1. Collaborative launch at Family Medicine Midwest (FMM) conference 2022.
2. Monthly Zoom meetings on the 3rd Wednesday at noon CST.
3. Completed a needs assessment survey of Midwest programs scholarly activity.
4. Annual collaborative meeting and elections at FMM 2023 and created founding documents: mission, vision, goals, and objectives.
5. Presented two presentations at FMM 2023
6. Awarded the ABFM \$5000 Learning Network Seed Grant in 2023
7. Applied for the ABFM \$75,000 Learning Network planning grant in 2023

What are your plans for 2024?

- We launched our first scholarly project – *The Signaling Project* to study impact of the ERAS application addition of preference signaling’ and geographic and location preferences.
- We will be planning a pilot multi-residency CQI project.
- We continue to recruit interested faculty members.
- We will pilot “works in progress” and “best practice” webinars to support faculty in directing scholarly activity