

Dear UCSF Department of Medicine Faculty and Residents,



We are delighted to announce that Dr. Aylin Ulku has been selected as the Director, International Electives for the Internal Medicine Residency Program, effective July 1, 2017. The director is responsible for oversight of all International Electives done by the Department's third year internal medicine residents.

Aylin is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Internal Medicine and Pediatrics with a focus on global health and medical education. She received her undergraduate degree from Princeton University where she majored in Chemistry before earning her combined medical and graduate degrees from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. She completed her combined residency in Internal Medicine & Pediatrics at Yale University where she also served as Chief Resident in Internal Medicine, including responsibilities as the International Health Chief. From 2010 to 2012, she worked in Rwanda as a clinician educator and helped to establish the Rwanda Yale-Stanford Johnson & Johnson International Health Elective site. Upon her return to the US, she drove cross-country from Connecticut to San Francisco to join the UCSF family.

Within her focus in global health and education, Aylin established a noon conference series with other hospitalists in the Division of Hospital Medicine. She partners with clinical educators working with the Navajo Nation for this monthly series teaching clinical and social medicine topics through discussion of clinical cases presenting in limited resource settings. In addition, she has served for two years as a HEAL Global Health Fellowship advisor and mentor for American and Liberian fellows working with Indian Health Services in New Mexico, clinics in Oakland and the Community Health Worker Program in Liberia. She also co-directs the Sickle Cell Disease Continuity Project in efforts to coordinate a more comprehensive system of care for adult patients at UCSF and educate internal medicine trainees in the complex care of patients with sickle cell anemia. Aylin is dedicated to helping trainees of all levels partner with colleagues in limited resource settings and at UCSF to advance clinical practice, teaching, and thoughtful resource utilization to serve better vulnerable populations and mitigate disparities in health.

Once again, we also wish to thank Dr. Phuoc Le for his exceptional 5 years of service as the Director of International Health Electives. With his passion for global health, Phuoc has expanded opportunities for our residents to broaden their education with our international health partners. We wish Phuoc well in his future endeavors here at UCSF.

We also wish to acknowledge and thank those who applied for this position. We are humbled by the interest and enthusiasm UCSF faculty share in educating and supporting the UCSF medicine residents.

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