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**UAMS North Central Regional Campus Starts Family Medicine Residency Program, Names First Six Resident Physicians**

LITTLE ROCK – The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) North Central Regional Campus recently doubled the number of resident physicians practicing at its UAMS Family Medical Center in Batesville.

The six new resident physicians who began practicing medicine in Batesville on July 1 are:

- Tim Baty, D.O. — Hometown: Wynne, Arkansas
- Anita Kisiedu, M.D. — Hometown: Woodbridge, Virginia
- JonMark Lane, M.D. — Hometown: Searcy, Arkansas
- Christopher Mayfield, M.D. — Hometown: Rowlett, Texas
- Jonathan Pennington, D.O. — Hometown: Heber Springs, Arkansas
- E.J. Williams, M.D. — Hometown: Greenwood, Arkansas

In addition to UAMS Family Medical Center, the new residents also will practice at White River Medical Center in Batesville.

“For the Family Medical Center in Batesville, we only sought out the best and brightest candidates to join us in the second year of our program, bringing to 12 the total number of residents here,” said Jordan Weaver, M.D., director of the residency program. “Less than two years ago, we moved into a new building, and already we’re adding a significant number of new doctors to the region at a challenging time for health care in Arkansas and worldwide.”

In August 2018, UAMS celebrated the expansion and new home for its North Central Regional Campus and Family Medical Center in a \$5.5 million remodeled, spacious and up-to-date facility near White River Medical Center in Batesville.

The Family Medical Center in Batesville provides clinical care and health education services and will train medical residents in primary care. The UAMS Family Medicine

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Residency Program in Batesville will admit six residents per year until reaching a total of 18 residents in 2021. It serves 11 counties: Marion, Baxter, Van Buren, Fulton, Sharp, Izard, Cleburne, Stone, Searcy, Independence and White.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* named UAMS Medical Center the state's Best Hospital; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide; and named six areas as high performing — cancer, colon cancer surgery, heart failure, hip replacement, knee replacement and lung cancer surgery. UAMS has 2,727 students, 870 medical residents and five dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit [www.uams.edu](http://www.uams.edu) or [www.uamshealth.com](http://www.uamshealth.com). Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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