Four Physicians Join UAMS Psychiatric Research Institute

LITTLE ROCK — The Psychiatric Research Institute (PRI) at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) recently added four new physicians to its faculty.

Ming Hwei Yek, Psy.D., a clinical psychologist, is an assistant professor in the UAMS Department of Psychiatry. Yek received a master’s in Clinical Psychology from McGill University of Montreal and a doctorate in Clinical Psychology from Baylor University. She recently completed a fellowship in Clinical Health Psychology at the University of Florida at Gainesville. She sees patients in the Walker Family Clinic as well as seeing pre- and post-transplant patients for evaluation and treatment.

James Scott Steele, M.D., Ph.D., is a graduate of the UAMS College of Medicine and received his doctorate in Clinical and Translational Science at UAMS. A former trainee in the Addiction Research Training Program at UAMS, he completed his residency in Adult Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. An assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry, Steele sees patients in the Walker Family Clinic and will be conducting research in the Brain Imaging Research Center.

Toby Belknap, M.D., and San Bui, M.D., both assistant professors, are graduates of the UAMS College of Medicine and former residents in the UAMS Department of Psychiatry.

Belknap is seeing patients in the Child Diagnostic Unit along with providing consults to Arkansas Children’s Hospital patients. He recently completed a fellowship in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at UAMS.

Bui is working in the Walker Family Clinic as well as the consult liaison service.

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 — COPD, colon cancer surgery, heart failure, hip replacement, knee replacement and lung cancer surgery. UAMS has 2,876 students, 898 medical residents and four 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 or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube or Instagram.

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