Tufts University School of Medicine and Maine Medical Center (MMC) have signed a 10-year agreement that continues their partnership to provide academic and clinical training to medical students, many of whom will go on to practice medicine in Maine. The new agreement begins August 1.

“With we began our agreement with Tufts a decade ago, we had a shared vision of addressing Maine’s physician shortage, giving Maine students equal opportunity to pursue quality medical education and developing an innovative curriculum focused on community-based education. We’re proud of the progress we’ve made, and through our expanded agreement we are looking forward to finding new and better ways of educating tomorrow’s health providers,” said MMC President and Chief Executive Officer Rich Petersen.

In 2008, Tufts School of Medicine and Maine MMC partnered to create the Maine Track program. Under the agreement, Tufts, MMC, and affiliated community hospital partners provide academic and clinical training to medical students in the program. MMC and private donors also provide about $2 million in annual financial support for student scholarships, some of which are endowed. More than 200 students have graduated from the program since 2013, with roughly a quarter of those (59) pursuing residencies at MMC and another quarter (61) at other New England hospitals.

The agreement continues what has become a successful medical education story and allows for the future expansion of the Maine Track cohort size, which is currently capped at 40. Additionally, the agreement increases the amount of time medical students will spend at MMC in Portland as part of their training. Previously, students spent the vast majority of the first two years in Boston and the majority of the third and fourth years at locations throughout Maine. Under the new agreement, students will spend their entire second year at MMC.
Anniversaries
From Front

25 Years
Susan Bernier, Health Information Management
Debra Burris, MMCRI
Nancy Craig, P3CD
Mark Dils, IS
Kathy Hawkes, NICU
Nicole Manchester, BBCH
Steven Ryan, Radiation Therapy

20 Years
Melissa Bartlett, IS
Kari Begin, Radiology
Rebecca Bell, Endoscopy
Meredith Brandon, Westbrook Primary Care
Ryan Cyr, Radiology
Melissa Demers, R8
Raymond Drolet, Ultrasound
Sandra Kenney, Scarborough Surgery Center
Cynthia MacWhinnie, IS
Cheryl Patten, HR
Gail Perkins, Care Management
Lisa Velas, Cardiology

15 Years
Jeremy Andrews, Printing
Rebecca Bloch, Emergency
Rebekah Cheney, BBCH
Nicole Cherbuliez, Scarborough Primary Care
Nicole Connor, Oncology
Jennifer Dow, Pharmacy
Marc Fields, Café
Allan McIntire, Copy Center
Katarzyna Nason, OR

10 Years
Patricia Bartlett, Radiology
Peter Bennett, Food Services
Caroline Bowman, Pediatric Speciality Care
Douglas Buxton, Neurosurgery
Kelly Carbone, PICC Line
Courtney Carmichael, P6
Hilary Chickerling, R5
Brooke Coombs, Outpatient Care
Tiffanie Dodge, Gibson Pavilion
Courtney Edwards, Turning Point
Leslie Foreman, Oncology
Tammy Francouer, Brighton Pain Center
Oliver Fremont, Pediatric Speciality Care
Jeffrey Halter, Pediatric Surgery
Elizabeth Hamilton, Sleep Institute
Carol Hanright, Hospital Billing
Shawn Hutchinson, IS
Nicole Jensen, R8
Jamie Johnson, R3
Tracy Kanzler, IS
Janet Keene, IS
Brandy Kulaga, Hospital Medicine
Catherine Labrecque, Neurology
Sarah Lacey, Cardiology

5 Years
Alexander Abbott, Women & Children Service Line
Jessica Atkinson, OR
Paul Bloch, Vascular Surgery
Guy Bolduc, IS
Christina Carpenter, Trauma Surgery
Philip Carpenter Jr, Financial Services
Dusty Casey, BBCH
Diane Davis, Employee Health
Jonathan Dreifus, General Surgery
Jens Eldrup-Jorgensen, Vascular Surgery
Timothy Fallon, Emergency
Anthony Foianini, Emergency
Robert Foster, IS
Kathleen Frost, Nursing Floats
David Gagnon, Pharmacy
Linda Ganslow, Coding
Melissa Gilvey, Otolaryngology
Patricia Greavere, Oncology

Maria LeBlanc, Continuing Care Nursery
Wiilo Madey, Family Birth Center
Brittney Moore, Radiology
Brenda Peare, Neurosurgery
Elizabeth Perry, Psychiatry
Noel Poirier, PICU
Donna Scribner, EVS
Allison Taylor, Continuing Care Nursery
Emily Thompson, Oncology
Brenda White, IS
Brian Whitney, Printing

Robert Hawkins, Vascular Surgery
Christopher Healey, Vascular Surgery
William Herbert, Vascular Surgery
Holly Knights, P3CD
Amelia Knowles, Orthopedics
Erika Kutchmarick, R3
Jeffrey Lepley, IS
Jennifer Lewis, Anesthesiology
Dougald MacGillivray, Oncology
Charles Mallo, Psychiatry
John Martel, Emergency
Carly McAteer, Family Medicine
Chelsey Nelson, R7
Richard Pion, IS
Sarah Polk, HR
Agnieszka Pollak, OR
Ashley Powers, R2
Melanie Prescott, Nursing Floats
Frederick Radke, General Surgery
David Robaczewski, Cardiac Surgery
Denise Roberts, R9
April Rollins, OR
Carole Sharkey, Population Health
Tia Shaw, General Surgery
Cathleen Small, Pediatric Speciality Care
Hannah Sullivan, Nuclear Medicine
Stephanie Thibeault, R5
Janet Turner, Hospital Billing
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