

ROSALIND FRANKLIN UNIVERSITY

OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE



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Life in Discovery

For Immediate Release:

Rosalind Franklin University Announces Recent Grants and Gifts

NORTH CHICAGO, IL – Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science recently received grants from the Lake County Community Foundation and the Healthcare Foundation of Northern Lake County.

The Lake County Community Foundation awarded Rosalind Franklin University its Basic Human Needs Award of \$49,000 which will be used by the College of Health Professions for the development of their Outreach for HealthReach program which provides mobile prevention, education and access to healthcare for the underserved of Lake County.

The Healthcare Foundation of Northern Lake County awarded the University a \$75,000 grant for three scholarships in the Physician Assistant Program and another \$25,000 grant to be utilized by our Psychology department in their mental health services program with the Healthy Families Clinic. PA scholarship recipients, in turn, agree to provide two years of healthcare service to low-income patients after graduation.

Wendy Rheault PT, PhD, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College of Health Professions, and Judith Stoecker PhD, PT, Vice Dean of CHP, and Patrick Knott, chair of the Physician Assistant Department, provided key leadership in preparing and securing these two grants.

“These two grants demonstrate the University’s new partnerships in the Lake County healthcare community,” said Mark Russell, Director of Development.

In addition, the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine and the Scholl Foot and Ankle Center Clinic have received an in-kind donation of 100 pairs of specialized shoes and inserts from the Dr. Comfort Company of Mequon, Wisconsin. These specialized shoes offer support for patients with diabetes and other foot related disorders. Scholl College students and practitioners in the center will be able to use these specialized shoes in their clinical experiences.

The Rosalind Franklin University also received a generous bequest from the estate of Chicago Medical School graduate Frederick Weiss ‘36, MD, for scholarship support of CMS students.

About Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science

Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science is a national leader in interprofessional medical and healthcare education, comprising the Chicago Medical School, College of Health Professions, Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine and School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

Rosalind Franklin University recently received approval for its new doctoral program in Interprofessional Healthcare Studies – the first in Illinois – and has launched a new master in science program in Psychology Clinical Counseling in fall 2008.

There are more than 16,000 RFUMS graduates in the United States and worldwide.