Join us in Welcoming Dr. Joe Skip Garcia, the New UA Senior Vice President for Health Sciences

All AHSC faculty and staff members are invited to drop by an informal reception to greet Joe G.N. “Skip” Garcia, MD, the UA senior vice president for health sciences on **Thursday, Sept. 19, 3:30-5 p.m.** at the UA BIO5 Institute, Thomas W. Keating Bldg., room 103. Refreshments will be served. A reception also is scheduled for the Phoenix Campus on Thursday, Oct. 3, from 4:00-5:30 p.m. at the Virginia G. Piper Auditorium, 600 E. Van Buren St., Phoenix.

UA Surgeons First in World to Roboticallly Implant Heart-Assist Device

University of Arizona surgeons Zain Khalpey, MD, and Robert Poston, MD, became the first to implant a left ventricular assist device using the surgical robot in John Hulslander, 67, who was losing his battle with ischemic cardiomyopathy.

Medication Management Center Receives Full Accreditation from URAC

Dr. Derksen Outlines Opportunities for Family Physicians Under the ACA
Tucson Plaza

Friday, Sept. 20
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Matters of the Heart:
Cardiovascular Issues and Arthritis

Friday, Sept. 27
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
UAMC Farmers’ Market
UA College of Medicine – Tucson Plaza

Friday, Sept. 27
10-11 a.m.
iVIDA! – Spanish
Benefits of a Plant-Based Diet to Reduce Risk of Chronic Disease
RSVP: Bettina Hofacre

Friday, Sept. 27
Noon-1 p.m.
iVIDA! – English
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Saturday, Sept. 28
8:30 a.m.-noon
Tucson’s 3rd Cancer Action Network

Saturday, Oct. 12
8 a.m.-1 p.m.
iVIDA! Eighth Annual Mujer Latina Breast Cancer

The UA College of Pharmacy Medication Management Center received full accreditation in drug therapy management from URAC on Aug. 30. URAC is a Washington, D.C., based health-care accrediting organization that establishes quality standards for the nation’s health-care industry.

UA College of Medicine – Phoenix Faculty Receive Recognition from AAMC

Four UA College of Medicine – Phoenix faculty members were cited by the Association of American Medical College at a recent conference for a poster on faculty engagement.

NIH Awards Dr. Marcus $1.4 Million

Dan Derksen, MD, highlights three urgent tasks for family physicians and public health advocates that must be accomplished for the Affordable Care Act to be effective in the current issue of the Annals of Family Medicine.

Online Doctoral Students from Across U.S. Gather at UA College of Nursing

The UA College of Nursing hosted its Resident Intensive Summer Experience (RISE) for more than 180 doctoral nursing students from across the United States.

UA Public Health Faculty Teach HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control

Faculty from the UA Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health taught a four-day
emiritus in the Division of Cardiology at the UA College of Medicine – Tucson and researcher with the UA Sarver Heart Center, has received a $1.4 million RO1 National Institutes of Health grant for a multicenter, five-year study, "Mechanisms, Genotypes and Clinical Phenotypes of Arrhythmogenic Cardiomyopathy."

**Dr. Raison Awarded 2013 IMHR Pilot Grant**

Charles L. Raison, MD, associate professor with the Department of Psychiatry at the UA College of Medicine – Tucson and the Barry and Janet Lang Associate Professor in the UA College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, has been awarded a 2013 Institute for Mental Health Research Pilot grant of $20,000 by the Institute for Mental Health Research to study, “Antidepressant Effects of Whole Body Hyperthermia.”

**Integrative Primary Care Center Opens Doors to Largest Public Utilities**

The UA Center for Integrative Medicine at the UA College of Medicine – Tucson and the Salt River Project (SRP) will enable as many as 500 SRP employees to receive world-class integrative health care and participate in an outcomes study on conventional-versus-complementary health-care models.