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Rocky Vista University Hosts Global Medicine Open House

[November 15, 2018 – Parker, CO] Rocky Vista University (RVU) hosted a Global Medicine Open House at the Frank Ritchel Ames Memorial Library on Monday, November 12th. The open house celebrated RVU’s Global Medicine Program and its successful training of student doctors in providing quality healthcare for rural and underserved communities worldwide.

Guest speaker Dr. Camille Z. Bentley, DO, MPH, FACOFP, Chair of Tracks and Special Programs, gave a presentation on the accomplishments of the Global Medicine Program and the future of healthcare abroad, then shared her personal experiences in global medicine. Merging her academia and clinical skills, Dr. Bentley has developed and expanded RVU’s global health curriculum to include numerous international clinical opportunities for students, such as outreach trips to Kenya, Nicaragua, Guatemala, and other countries, with a focus on rural and underserved areas. In addition, Jen Daniels, OMS II, and Kelsey Boghean, OMS II, shared their experiences in the program and presented their respective research titled, “Reflections on Global Health” and “Physicians at the Global Health Table.”

During the event, several displays showcased past medical missions and community outreach programs, which provide student doctors with exposure to osteopathic medicine in an international setting, to improve and develop cultural sensitivity and communications skills, and to expand student knowledge of chronic and unusual diseases. Cultural artifacts from each trip were also on display and offered a tangible connection to the people and values of those communities.

Guests at the Global Medicine Open House had the opportunity to explore the National Library of Medicine’s traveling banner exhibition “Against the Odds: Making a Difference in Global Health.” The exhibition showcased the collaborative work of physicians, scientists, communities, and international organizations across a wide range of issues, including the global AIDS pandemic and the impact of war on healthcare services, in an effort to prevent disease and to improve quality of life for all.

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About Rocky Vista University (RVU)

RVU is a health-sciences university based in Parker, Colorado and Ivins, Utah. RVU was founded in 2006 and opened its doors in August of 2008, enrolling students in its four-year program of study leading to the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree in the University's College of Osteopathic Medicine (RVUCOM). The Ivins Campus matriculated its first class in 2017. RVU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), a commission of the North Central Association. RVUCOM is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). RVU has also added a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (MSBS) degree program and a Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) to its Colorado location. Rocky Vista University provides quality healthcare education while inspiring students to serve with compassion, integrity and excellence. For more information, visit www.rvu.edu.