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### **September Launch of the New Academic Leadership Program at RBHS**

Beginning in Fall 2018, nineteen academic health leaders representing all eight RBHS schools will gather for the launch of the inaugural Academic Leadership Program at RBHS (ALP-RBHS). This first-year pilot program, developed through a partnership between RBHS and Rutgers Center for Organizational Leadership, is designed to provide academic health system leaders across the university with an integrated orientation to leadership, managerial, and organizational concepts and competencies. The program will consist of 10 sessions over the course of the 2018-19 academic year and will focus on the national and state landscape and the Rutgers and RBHS context. This competitive program, requiring a nomination from a RBHS Dean to participate, provides a blend of concepts, best practices, methods, and tools to enhance participants' leadership knowledge competencies and the capacity for advancing RBHS and individual units.

The first session to be held in Newark on September 12 will feature RBHS Chancellor, Brian Strom; Jeffrey Carson, New Brunswick Provost; Vicente Gracias, Vice Chancellor Clinical Affairs; and Joseph Barone, Dean, Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, who will speak about their own leadership experiences and the potential opportunities and challenges for leaders across RBHS.

The following individuals were nominated by their Dean to participate in the inaugural cohort of the program:

- **Chantal Brazeau, MD**  
Interim Chair, Family Medicine; Assistant Dean, Faculty Vitality, New Jersey Medical School
- **Wendy Budin, PhD, RN-BC, FACCE, FAAN**  
Associate Dean and Professor, Entry to Baccalaureate Practice Division, School of Nursing
- **Paul R. Duberstein, PhD**  
Chair, Department of Health Systems & Policy–Social & Behavioral Health Sciences
- **Janine Fredericks-Younger, DMD**  
Director, Academic Affairs, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine
- **Linda Flynn, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
Interim Associate Dean, Nursing Science; PhD Program Director, School of Nursing
- **Barbara Gladson, PT, OT, PhD**  
Associate Dean, Academic Affairs; Interim Chair, Department of Health Informatics, School of Health Professions
- **Craig Hirschberg, DD**  
Chair, Endodontics, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine

- **Longqin Hu, MS, PhD**  
Chair, Medicinal Chemistry, Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy
- **Leslie Kantor, PhD, MPH**  
Chair, Department of Urban-Global Public Health, School of Public Health
- **Jeffrey Kwong, DNP, MPH, ANP-BC**  
Associate Dean, Advanced Nursing Practice Division, School of Nursing
- **Leonard Y. Lee, MD**  
Interim Chair, Division Chief, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
- **Carol Lutz, PhD**  
Assistant Dean for Curriculum, School of Graduate Studies;  
Track Director, Molecular Biology, Genetics and Cancer;  
New Jersey Medical School
- **Paris Mourgues, LMSW**  
Chief of Staff, Deans Office, School of Public Health
- **Lewis Nelson, MD**  
Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine; Director, Division of Medical Toxicology,  
New Jersey Medical School; Chief of Service, University Hospital Emergency  
Department
- **Jason Roy, PhD**  
Chair, Biostatistics-Epidemiology, School of Public Health;  
Director, Rutgers University Biostatistics and Epidemiology Services Center (RUBIES)
- **Steven R. Singer, DDS**  
Chair, Diagnostic Sciences, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine
- **Vaishali Singhal, DMD, MS**  
Program Director, Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences, Department of  
Interdisciplinary Studies, School of Health Professions
- **P. Ashley Wackym, MD**  
Chair, Department of Otolaryngology–Head and Neck Surgery, Robert Wood Johnson  
Medical School
- **Jane Ziegler, DCN, RD, LDN**  
Vice Chair, Preventative and Clinical Nutrition Sciences, School of Health Professions

For further information about the program and program faculty visit  
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