

The “NEED”  
The “VISION”  
The “WORK”  
The “OUTCOME!”  
The “FUTURE!!”

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# THE NEED

- “Rural communities share a responsibility for a healthy nation and the nation shares in responsibility for a healthy Rural America”  
(Rural Health: A Vision fro 2010, 1998)
- University FM had to address the needs and desires of residents to have a balanced training experience ( urban, suburban and rural ); enhance public health exposure; learn “real time” practice management

# THE VISION

- GAHWDN- Phenomenal integrated group of dedicated members
- Western MD AHEC- long standing relationship with the SOM
- Dept of Family and Community Medicine – Chairman's continued support to expand exposure and opportunities for training program
- Legislative support- Claudia Baquet and Barbara Klein!!
- ME- Wanting to learn more and do more...

# THE VISION

- Grant Initiative/Opportunity
- Enthusiastic Community Health Clinicians
- Monthly Meetings- Conference calls and Face to face
- Curriculum design – Challenges
- Elective vs. Requirement
- ACGME requirements

# THE WORK

- Year R2 Retreat!
- Curriculum Design – Public Health/Community Medicine
- ACGME Competencies
  - Patient Care
  - Medical Knowledge
  - Practice Based Learning and Improvement
  - Systems Based Practice
  - Professionalism
  - Interpersonal Skills and Communication
- [www.acgme.org](http://www.acgme.org)

# Retreat!



# THE OUTCOME

- Comprehensive Exposure to Public Health in Rural Maryland
- Multi-Disciplinary Experiences with the Garrett County Health Department; Home Visits; Occupational Medicine; Environmental Medicine; STD; Exposure to Amish Culture; PVT practice FM
- Housing! and available stipend to cover traveling and simple living expenses

# THE OUTCOME

- Evaluation in process (Resident/GAHWDN)
- Early challenges : UFM continuity clinic; OB continuity patients; personalities; housing
- Early Successes: **Residents really love the experiences!**
- **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Garrett County Health Fair**
- **Additional Creative Elective Experiences**

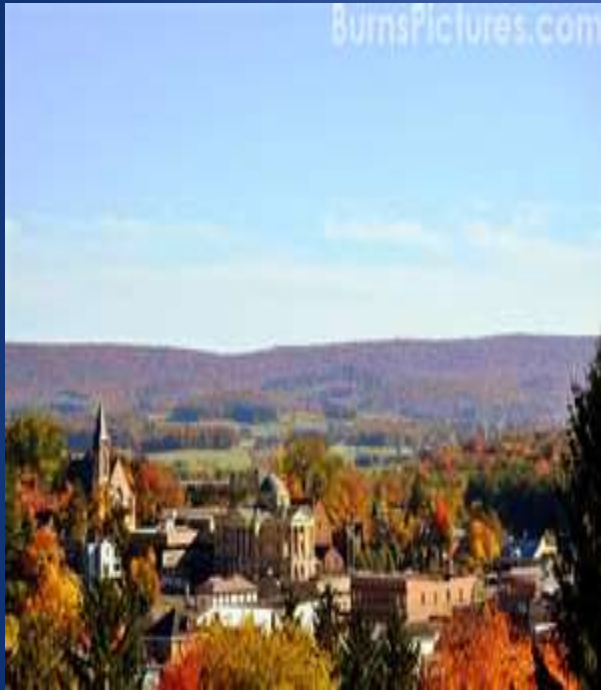
# THE FUTURE

- Enhancement of what exist
- Development of Rural Family Medicine Tract  
PGY 1 in Baltimore and PGY 2& 3 Western  
Maryland
- FUNDING: To support current program to full  
operating Rural tract approximately \$250,000  
per year to \$750,000.00 per year (my estimation)
- Whom, Where, When?

# THE FUTURE

- Direct Pipeline through State Education system – Partnership with Middle and High Schools , Local Colleges and State Medical Schools and Training Programs
- Early Education, Exposure, Experience....Return to Community
- TeleHealth
- Loan Repayment

# SUCCESS..A Step at a TIME!



# MY TEAM!

