## Dr. Lisa Warren and Dr. Robyn Dreibelbis Receive Arnold P. Gold Foundation's Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award

COMP Dean Paula Crone recognized Dr. Lisa Warren and Dr. Robyn Dreibelbis as recipients of Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award. The Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award recognizes a faculty member (DO or MD) who demonstrates both clinical excellence and outstanding compassion in the delivery of care, and who shows respect for patients, their families, and healthcare colleagues.

Lisa Warren, DO is an influential physician leader with a diverse background who has been recognized by her colleagues for her reliability and impeccable dedication to her profession.

Dr. Warren is a general pediatrician whose clinical experience ranges from newborns to adolescents at the Patient Care Center at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, California. Throughout her career of practicing medicine, she taken a special interest in delivering holistic, comprehensive, compassionate care with an osteopathic touch to the underserved communities in both Central Texas and now Pomona, California. She consistently demonstrates empathy and respect for her patients, and cares for their emotional concerns, gaining their trust and confidence.

Dr. Warren has an undergraduate degree in Neuroscience from Pomona College where she was a scholar athlete. She completed medical school at Western University of Health



Sciences in Pomona, California. Her pediatric residency training was at Baylor Scott and White in Temple, Texas, where she served as 4<sup>th</sup> year chief resident and Pediatric Residency Program Director. She is board certified with both the American Board of Pediatrics and American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics. Dr. Warren was recognized as a Costin Scholar in 2014 as an osteopathic medical educator leader.

She currently serves as the Chair of Pediatrics, Founding Director of Career and Professional Development, and Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Western University of Health Sciences. In the spring of 2015, WesternU's Career and Professional Development Office was recognized as one of the Top 25 medical schools for career support by graduateprograms.com. With her strong communication and listening skills, she is consistently sought out from the osteopathic medical students for her personalized mentorship and support. Her genuine enthusiasm and approachable demeanor exhibits a true role model for these students.

Nationally, Dr. Warren serves on the American Academy of Pediatrics – Section on Osteopathic Pediatricians as an executive member and newsletter writer, promoting osteopathic principles and philosophy to support the section's members. She also serves as an Item writer for the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners. She has several publications in peer reviewed clinical journals.

Dr. Lisa Warren is a proud wife and mother to two sons. She is an avid runner and sports enthusiast.

**Robyn Dreibelbis**, DO is the **Chief Wellness Officer** of COMP-Northwest, former Vice Chair of the Department of Family Medicine, and current Assistant Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at Western University of Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific-Northwest (COMP-Northwest).

In addition to her roles at COMP-Northwest in Lebanon, OR, Dr. Dreibelbis has served committees/boards such as Oregon Healthcare Workforce Committee, Oregon Graduate Medical Education Consortium, Board of the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon, Oregon Board of Medical Examiners, House of Delegates- American Osteopathic Association, Board of Trustees at Willamette Valley Medical Center, and Board of AQx Sports. In the past, she has also been the Program Director of the Family Medicine Residency of Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis, President of OPSO, and Team Physician and Medical Director of Linfield College Athletic Program.

Dr. Dreibelbis graduated from the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP) in 1995. During graduation ceremonies, she was honored with



the Pauline Weiss Pumerantz Memorial award and the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) award, recognition from Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, and lifetime membership in Sigma Sigma Phi of the National Honorary Osteopathic Service Fraternity. After graduating from COMP in 1995 she began her internship at Eastmoreland Hospital in Portland, OR and went on to complete her Family Medicine residency in 1998. During residency graduation ceremonies, she was awarded the Arthur Rott Award in recognition for the best 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Resident research project and paper.

Her residency experiences inspired her to undertake a career in teaching, and she has made significant contributions to COMP curriculum since joining the faculty. Dr. Dreibelbis continues to teach one-on-one in the office setting and extends her teaching into the college level as a team physician and medical director for the Athletic Training Program at Linfield College in McMinnville, where she educates her students about the interrelatedness of health, wellness and fitness. She brings the same approach to the teaching of medical students and connects the science of lifestyle factors to the prevention and treatment of chronic diseases.

As an osteopathic physician she strives to care for her patients and teach her students using the foundational tenets of the osteopathic profession, one of which is that the body has the inherent ability to heal itself if given the opportunity. She felt so strongly for educating the students about the integral connection between nutrition and human health that in 2011 she started the *Nutrition in Medicine (NiM)* lecture series. *NiM* offers lectures by physicians and nutrition experts in various topics about nutrition and human health to WesternU students on both campuses. With the creation of the *Healthy Living and Wellness Initiative* (now called *MEDWell*) housed at

Western University of Health Sciences/COMP-Northwest, the conversations that Dr. Dreibelbis has each and every day with her students will multiply as her students transmit this knowledge to their future patients.

Dr. Dreibelbis teaches the first year medical students in Essentials of Clinical Medicine (ECM) course, where she shares her passion for patient care with students in the classroom as well as in the clinic. From the very first day of class she teaches the students to enter into every conversation with a patient with a simple question: "How can I help you today?". She is an embodiment of service, care and compassion for her students, her patients and her patients' families.