Healthcare Innovation Zones (HIZ)

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This seminar is designed to introduce University of Connecticut Health Center School of Medicine and Dental Medicine faculty, other health care professionals, key Legislators, the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Directors to the innovative concept of Healthcare Innovation Zones (HIZ). Some have thought of HIZs as “Academic Accountable Care Organizations”. Participants will examine the pros and cons of redesigning care delivery, including adoption of payment reform, new models for improving integration between specialists and primary care, and an increased focus on populations, healthy individuals, and patients.

Friday October 14, 2011
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm / Massey Auditorium

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As Chief Health Care Officer, Joanne M. Conroy, M.D., focuses on the interface between the health care delivery system and academic medicine, paying particular attention to how health care in academic settings can address quality-of-care and patient-centered care issues. Dr. Conroy represents the interests of approximately 400 major teaching hospitals and health systems, including 64 Veterans Affairs medical centers, through the AAMC Council of Teaching Hospitals and Health Systems in addition to overseeing the Group on Faculty Practice, Group on Resident Affairs, Chief Medical Officers Group, and the Compliance Officers Forum.

Dr. Conroy comes to the association after serving as executive vice president of Atlantic Health System and chief operating officer of Morristown Memorial Hospital in Morristown, New Jersey. In those roles, Dr. Conroy gained an understanding of health system operations, hospital-physician relationships, and collaborative partnerships among the various elements of academic health systems. Dr. Conroy earned her B.A. degree in chemistry from Dartmouth College, and was awarded her M.D. degree from the Medical University of South Carolina.

Learning Objectives: Participants will (be able to):

1. Discuss the redesigning of care delivery, including adoption of payment reform, new models for improving integration between specialists and primary care and an increased focus on populations and health individuals as well as patients.
2. Develop implementation research teams to design, implement, and test the new clinical processes and technologies that will emerge under payment reform.
3. Develop and implement changes in the education continuum to ensure that all physicians entering practice are prepared to provide safe, competent, coordinated team-based patient centered care within the redesigned health care delivery environment.

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