



Rural Health Interest Group

2015-2016

Carl R. Sullivan, MD, FACP

Vice Chair, WVU Behavioral Medicine & Psychiatry

Director, Substance Abuse Program

“Addiction in Rural West Virginia”

April L. Vestal, MPH

Director, WVU Institute for Community and Rural Health

“Show Me the Money: Financial Incentives for Rural Practice”

C. Donovan Beckett, DO

Family Medicine Physician, Williamson Health and Wellness Center

2014 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Culture of Health Prize Winners

“Creating a Culture of Health”

William A. Neal, MD

Director, The CARDIAC Project

Emeritus Professor, WVU School of Medicine, Dept. of Pediatrics

“CARDIAC Project: Coronary Artery Risk Detection in Appalachian Communities”

Charles D. Pontes, Pharm.D.

Advanced Diabetes Management Certified Diabetes Education

Professor, WVU School of Pharmacy, Dept. of Clinical Pharmacy

Professor, WVU School of Medicine, Dept. of Family Medicine

“Diabetes in Rural West Virginia”

Thomas Bias, PhD

Interim Director, Health Research Center

Assistant Professor, WVU School of Public Health Dept. of Health Policy, Management and Leadership

“Medicaid Expansion in West Virginia”

Angela Godejohn, MD

Assistant Professor, WVU School of Medicine, Dept. of Family Medicine

“Women’s Health in the Rural Setting”

2014-2015

Larry Rhodes, MD
Executive Director of Rural Programs
Chair of WVU Pediatrics
"Rural Practice"

Dino Colombo, DDS
Practicing Dentist
"Volunteering at the Susan Dew Hoff Memorial Clinic in West Milford, WV"

Carl R. Sullivan, MD, FACP
Vice Chair & Director, Addiction Program
Director, Inpatient Adult Acute Care
WVU Hospitals Chestnut Ridge Center
"Addiction in Rural West Virginia"

Patrick Noland, *WVU Dental Student* and
Colleen Beatty, *WVU Medical Student*
"Rural Health Interest Group Student Leadership and Project R.E.A.C.H."

2013-2014

Larry A. Rhodes, MD
Executive Director of Rural Programs
Chair of Pediatrics
West Virginia University
"Stigma and understanding rural West Virginia"

Carl R. Sullivan, MD, FACP
Vice Chair & Director, Addiction Program
Director, Inpatient Adult Acute Care
WVU Hospitals Chestnut Ridge Center
"Addiction in Rural West Virginia"

Ruth Kershner, PhD
Professor, School of Public Health
West Virginia University
"Domestic Violence in Rural West Virginia"

John "Chip" Perrine, DDS
Clinical Assistant Professor
Dental Practice and Rural Health
West Virginia University
"Rural Dentistry"

Charles D. Ponte, PharmD
Professor of Pharmacy and Family Medicine
West Virginia University
"Diabetes"

WV Bureau of Public Health and
April L. Vestal, MPH
Director, WVU Institute for Community and Rural Health
"Financial Incentives"

2012-2013

Larry A. Rhodes, MD
Executive Director of Rural Programs
Chair of Pediatrics
West Virginia University
"Stigma and understanding rural West Virginia"

Dr. Tracy Hendershot, MD
Clinical Assistant Professor
Family Medicine
West Virginia University
Practicing Physician, Elizabeth, WV
"Practicing in Rural West Virginia"

Dr. Gregory Doyle, MD
Professor
Family Medicine
West Virginia University

Dr. William A. Neal, MD
Professor Emeritus
Pediatrics
West Virginia University
"Project CARDIAC"