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College of Medicine Puts Kidz1st

Head football coach Jimbo Fisher and Candi Fisher, chairwoman of their nonprofit Kidz1stFund, were the special guests at a Nov. 9 seminar on Changing the Practice of Medicine: The FA Story. The initials "FA" stand for Fanconi anemia, a rare, genetic blood disease that affects thousands of children each year - including the Fishers' son Ethan. They formed Kidz1stFund to raise awareness and research dollars to fight FA.

The seminar's main speaker was Margaret MacMillan, M.D., co-director of the University of Minnesota Fanconi Anemia Comprehensive Care Clinic, which follows the largest number of FA patients in the world. She described



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how this systemic disease affects numerous areas of the body, how it's a model for research into treatments for various forms of cancer and how FA research has transformed the practice of medicine. The Florida State University College of Medicine hosted the seminar, which was sponsored by Capital Regional Medical Center.

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