

FSU College of Medicine honors faculty, students at Fort Pierce campus

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FORT PIERCE – Prestigious awards were presented recently when the Fort Pierce Regional Campus of Florida State University College of Medicine (<https://med.fsu.edu/>) gathered its faculty members and students for a night of appreciation and academic updates.

The event took place at the Indian River State College Public Safety Training Complex auditorium in Fort Pierce. Keynote speaker was Dr. John P. Fogarty, dean of the FSU College of Medicine (<https://med.fsu.edu/ftpierce/home>), who presented an update on the achievements and ongoing success of the college.



Fourth-year student Kharian Burnett-Foster, left, and Melinda Harrell Johnson at the Fort Pierce Regional Campus of Florida State University College of Medicine. Burnett-Foster received a \$5,000 scholarship in memory of Dr. James Harrell, Melinda's father, and Dr. Maghraj Thanvi. (Photo: Contributed photo by MaryAnn Ketcham)

The regional campus faculty is composed of over 300 active Treasure Coast physicians who take turns teaching third- and fourth-year medical and physician assistant students. The students work one-on-one with the physicians and gain clinical experience through seeing patients in local hospitals, surgery centers, physicians' offices and other ambulatory care facilities.

Several faculty members received awards from Dr. Juliette Lomax-Homier, dean of the Fort Pierce campus.

Dr. Cristian Presutti, family medicine physician in Port St. Lucie, received the Guardian of the Mission award from Allan Joseph, a third-year medical student. This award goes to a doctor whose activities have furthered the college's mission, which is to "educate and develop exemplary physicians who practice patient-centered health care, discover and advance knowledge and are responsive to community needs, especially through service to elder, rural:

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Dr. S. Graves Fromang, emergency medicine physician for Cleveland Clinic Martin Health, received the Outstanding Community Faculty Educator award from Morrisa Taylor, fourth-year medical student. The award is for exemplary achievement in meeting student educational needs, working collaboratively, dedication to the curriculum principles and enthusiasm for teaching.

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Dr. Cristian Presutti, left, and Dr. Graves Fromang at the Fort Pierce Regional Campus of Florida State University College of Medicine. Presutti, a family medicine physician in Port St. Lucie, recently received the Guardian of the Mission award. Fromang, an emergency medicine physician for Cleveland Clinic Martin Health, received the Outstanding Community Faculty Educator award. (Photo: Contributed photo by MaryAnn Ketcham)

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