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Ying Zhang, MD MPH [Fellowship Director]:

Dr. Ying Zhang is a family physician and faculty in the UW Family Medicine Residency since 2016. She completed her residency at the UW Family Medicine Residency and then completed a National Research Service Award Fellowship and Masters in Public Health at UW prior to joining the faculty in the Department of Family Medicine at UW. Dr. Zhang is the Medical Director of Harborview Family Medicine Clinic and the Fellowship Director for the UW Reproductive Healthcare and Advocacy Fellowship. Her clinical and research interests focus on reproductive health and family planning among refugee and immigrant communities in the U.S.

Together with Dr. Grace Shih, Ying co-leads the Continuing Reproductive Health Education for Advanced Training Efficacy (CREATE) curriculum for 4 family medicine residencies in Seattle. This curriculum focuses on developing clinical, advocacy, and leadership training in reproductive health among family medicine residents. In addition, Ying co-leads the Washington Reproductive Health Access Project (RHAP) Cluster. Outside of work, Ying enjoys spending time with her family, outdoor adventures, and exploring new restaurants.

Grace Shih, MD MAS [Assistant Fellowship Director]

Dr. Grace Shih is Associate Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at University of Washington. She completed her family medicine residency at Brown University and her Family Planning Fellowship at the University of California, San Francisco. She is the RHEDI Director for the UW Family Medicine Residency. Her clinical and research interests focus on vasectomy, men's roles in family planning, and integration of abortion into primary care.

Dr. Grace Shih co-founded CREATE in the Bay Area and helps to lead the curriculum in Seattle, as mentioned above. She is Vice-Chair of the AAFP Member Interest Group on Reproductive Health and the Washington Association of Family Physicians RHAP Liaison. She is on the board of Association of

Reproductive Health Professionals, a national inter-disciplinary organization dedicated to the promotion and dissemination of high-quality sexual and reproductive health.

Emily M. Godfrey, MD, MPH, FAAFP [Assistant Fellowship Director]

Dr. Godfrey is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Family Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology and is a core faculty member of the University of Washington Family Medicine Research Section. She went to medical school at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, WI and completed her residency in Family Medicine at West Suburban Medical Center, an affiliate of Loyola Stritch School of Medicine and The Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago. She received her Master of Public Health Degree and completed the Fellowship in Family Planning at the University of Rochester in 2003. Dr. Godfrey is board certified in Family Medicine. Dr. Godfrey is a practicing family physician with a focus on family planning and outpatient women’s healthcare Dr. Godfrey’s research interests include patient-engaged research, determining contraceptive safety for women with complex medical conditions and alternative modalities to improve contraceptive counseling in the clinical setting. She is a member of the expert committee on the CDC Division of Reproductive Health U.S. Medical Eligibility Criteria for Contraceptive use, and a member of the World Health Organization guideline development group for sexuality-related communication. She has published dozens of articles related to family planning. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians and of the Society of Family Planning.

Edison Tacardon [Fellowship Administrator]

Edison Tacardon started his career with UW in 2012 at the UW Northgate Neighborhood clinic in patient services for over 3 years. He left the neighborhood clinics as a Health Navigator joining the Residency team in 2015 as an Administrator. He is currently working on his degree in Human Resources. He enjoys working with the faculty/staff and residents providing support to all.

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