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Dr. Hilary McClafferty joins the Fellowship in Integrative Medicine faculty
Brings 22 years of medical experience and pediatrics expertise



TUCSON, Ariz., April 25, 2011 – Hilary McClafferty, MD, FAAP, today begins her role as assistant director of the Fellowship at the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine, a Center of Excellence at the University of Arizona College of Medicine.

Created by Andrew Weil, MD, in 2000, the Fellowship in Integrative Medicine is a two-year distance learning program dedicated to teaching practicing physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants the art and science of integrative medicine, blending traditional allopathic medicine with complementary modalities and preventative medicine. The Fellowship allows practitioners to continue caring for patients while learning the most current and relevant integrative approaches for the prevention and treatment of disease.

McClafferty is well familiar with the program, having graduated in 2005, studying under Drs. Weil and Tieraona Low Dog, director of the Fellowship and clinical associate professor of medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine.

"We are delighted that Hilary is joining our team. While we had many wonderful candidates to choose from, Hilary stood out above the others. She is a seasoned clinician and teacher, and as an integrative pediatrician with training in clinical hypnosis and medical acupuncture, she can help us expand our curriculum in many areas," Low Dog said. "With the growing number of pediatricians entering our Fellowship, it is important that we weave more pediatric content into our educational offerings, which will be one of Hilary's key areas of focus."

"I am honored by this opportunity to work with my mentors, who are the leaders in the field of integrative medicine, and look forward to using my training and experience to help expand the educational mission of the Fellowship," McClafferty said.

McClafferty received her medical degree from the University of Michigan, is board certified in pediatrics and pediatric emergency medicine, earned full certification in clinical hypnosis, and is trained in medical acupuncture.

She was the founder of the Center for Women and Children's Integrative Medicine, a private consult practice in Chapel Hill, N.C., and was adjunct faculty at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. McClafferty sits on the executive committee of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Complementary and Integrative Medicine, and has been active in developing policy for pediatric integrative medicine. She also leads the initiative for physician health and wellness for the organization.

McClafferty is a published author in both academic and public forums, and is currently at work on her first book about pediatric integrative medicine.

About the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine

The Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine leads the transformation of health care by creating, educating and actively supporting a community that embodies the philosophy and practice of healing-oriented medicine, addressing mind, body and spirit. Integrative medicine is healing-oriented and makes use of conventional and alternative therapies, as appropriate. Since its inception, the center has focused its efforts on three areas: education, clinical care and research, with the primary emphasis on education. The center was founded on the premise that the best way to change a field is to educate the most gifted professionals and place them in settings where they can, in turn, teach others. To learn more about the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine, please visit www.azcim.org.

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