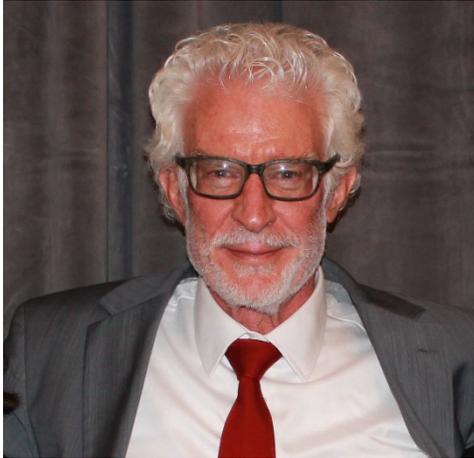


Welcome to FCM's New Vice Chair of Clinical Services!!!



Dr. Charles (Chuck) North is a Professor of Family and Community Medicine at the University of New Mexico School Of Medicine. He received his MD degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, completed Family Medicine and Community Health residency and a Master's of Science in Family Medicine and Community Health at the University of Minnesota. He worked on the Hopi Indian Reservation for seven years and retired from the Indian Health Service and Commissioned Officer Corps of the USPHS after 31 years. He established the first 100% smoke free hospital policy in the United States. He is a co-founder and former director of RIOSNet and started the family medicine residency teaching site at IHS. His interests include Indian Health care teaching, policy and practice. He holds the administrative title of Executive Medical Director for Ambulatory Services at the University of New Mexico Hospital. In this role he leads the development of a high functioning health care system and improvements in ambulatory patient care such as the Patient Centered Medical Home.

Chuck just completed a two-year term as President of the La Tierra Sagrada Society which provided \$150,000 in scholarships to 33 UNM medical students in the past year. Chuck and his wife, Faye, established a North Family Scholarship fund to create an endowment for future student scholarships. Chuck is now serving on the Board of Directors of the New Mexico Academy of Family Physicians where he is very interested in promoting policies that serve our patients, communities and practicing physicians. He is also a Senior Fellow of the Coastal Research Group, a California think tank of primary care leaders who specialize in access to care for underserved and marginalized populations. He enjoys skiing, triathlon, tomato gardening, travel and reading philosophy in his leisure time.

He is a Professor in the department. Clinic: UNM Family Health - NE Heights Clinic