The College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP) would like to congratulate Dat Trinh, D.O., who was recently appointed Chair of the Department of Family Medicine.

Dr. Trinh earned his Bachelor of Science in both Biology and Chemistry from the University of California, Irvine in 1997. He earned a Masters of Science in Health Professions Education from Western University of Health Sciences as well as his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.) from the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific in 2003. Dr. Trinh completed his residency at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton California in 2006 and joined COMP as an Associate Professor in Family Medicine. In 2008 Dr. Trinh was appointed Chair of the Student Performance Committee and in 2012 was named Vice Chair of the department of Family Medicine.

Dr. Trinh is a member of Phi Beta Kappa as well as Phi Lambda Upsilon Chemistry Honor Society. He was a recipient of the Asian American Scholarship in 2000 and received the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific Award for Professionalism in 2011. His many accomplishments and his expertise with curriculum design are beyond reproach.

Dr. Trinh assumes responsibility with the announcement that Dr. Alan D. Cundari (COMP Class of 1985) is stepping down to focus more on his clinical work. Dr. Cundari has successfully led the Department of Family Medicine for the past 16 years and was most recently awarded the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California (OPSC). It is interesting to point out that he had also won the “Rookie of the Year” award from the OPSC in 1993. In 2004, Dr. Cundari was the recipient of Western University of Health Sciences’ Distinguished Alumni Award followed in 2009 by the Pumerantz Lifetime Fellow of Excellence Award.

These are among many well deserved awards for his well-known dedication and devotion to both patient care and to his students. We look forward to Dr. Cundari’s continued success, his ongoing leadership and his contributions to COMP and Western University of Health Sciences. We wish Dr. Trinh much success in his new role and look forward to a bright future in the department of Family Medicine.

Dr. Trinh assumes his role as Chair of the Department of Family Medicine effective as of July 1, 2015.