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Philosophy of Care	Dr. Melnikow became a family practitioner because she likes caring for the whole patient in the context of his or her family and community. She is particularly interested in women's health care, especially preventive health maintenance. She enjoys caring for patients of all ages, especially children. She is pleased that the Family and Community Medicine clinic enables her to serve many in the community who are in need of health care, including maternal-child health care and preventive health services.
Clinical Interests	Dr. Melnikow is particularly interested in women's health care, including prenatal care, breast-feeding and preventive health maintenance. Her research areas include preventive services, prenatal care, patient compliance and physician behavior. She also studies underserved populations and ways to improve cost effectiveness in women's health care.
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Residency	University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts, 1984-1987
Board Certifications	American Board of Family Medicine, 1987
Professional Memberships	Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine American Academy of Family Physicians American Public Health Association



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California Academy of Family Physicians
North American Primary Care Research Group
Society for Medical Decision Making
Society of Teachers of Family Medicine

Honors And Awards UC Davis Academic Senate Distinguished Scholarly Public Service Award, 2013
Dean's Team Award for Excellence in Research (for leadership of CHPR's Grants Development team), 2012
Christine Landgraff Award for cancer research, 1996
Promoting successful breastfeeding skills for family physicians (with J. Bedinghaus), 1993
Walter Kemp Award for the best paper published in the Am Fam Physician authored by family physicians, 1993
Alpha Omega Alpha, 1984
Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, 1979

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