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The art of medicine extends beyond just the mastery of skill, and includes passion, compassion and ethics or morality in their fullest dimensions.

530 The Evolution of Undergraduate Medical Training at the University of the West Indies, 1948–2008

JM Branday, RA Carpenter

The increasing pace of new developments has been challenging but a coordinated response is vital if The University of the West Indies is to continue to attract the brightest and the best and to lead the way as the premiere provider of quality medical training in the region.

537 The Faculties and School of Medical Sciences of The University of the West Indies at its Diamond Jubilee HS Fraser

The Medical Faculties of The University of the West Indies have served both their host nations and the region effectively and must retain and enhance their international reputation as centres of excellence in medical education (undergraduate, postgraduate and continuing medical education) and health research. 542 Health Human Resource Planning in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean States: a Matter of Sustainability

BJ Campbell, N Kissoon, N Syed, HS Fraser A more robust health and human resources planning model has been developed to support broader planning and design of a future health and human resources model

549 Can Research Accelerate Progress Toward Millennium Development Goal 5 (Maternal Health) in Jamaica?

A McCaw-Binns

Our model in which university faculty and postgraduate students collaborate with public health teams to investigate disease burden, find the most effective strategies and train public health teams, is workable.

555 Integrating Research into Policy and Programmes Examples from the Jamaican Experience DE Ashley, A McCaw-Binns

Special emphasis is placed on health research that focussed on the perinatal period, the young child and adolescent, the epidemics of chronic diseases and violence and the linkage between health and tourism.

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577 Ageing: The Response Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow D Eldemire-Shearer

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This study investigated the health, social and economic situation, and issues of loneliness in the elderly in Trinidad. More than one-third of these persons reported themselves to be in "fair" to "good" health, but a similar proportion reported feelings of loneliness.

596 Medical Sociology: Modelling Well-being for Elderly People in Jamaica

PA Bourne

This study has established a model for the understanding of factors that impact on the well-being of aged people in Jamaica. The researcher has shown that quality of life is indeed influenced by biological, psychological, environmental and social conditions. Although this model does not provide all the answers to possible factors of importance and their impact on well-being, it is concluded that biopsychosocial and environmental factors are important in patient care.

605 Diseases and Medical Disabilities of Enslaved Barbadians, From the Seventeenth Century to around 1838 (Part I)

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