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To Members of the Faculty charged with preparing Team Based Learning (TBL) sessions for the new Impact Curriculum,

This is to inform you that both Dr. Nathalie Zgheib and I, who have had experience with implementing TBL at AUB, are ready to meet with you to help design exercises for your courses. Please contact us if you need assistance.

In addition, you can actually attend one TBL session or more that we plan to hold in February; two sessions will be held on the clinical pharmacology of drugs used in the following two conditions:

- **COPD: Wednesday February 8, 2012 12:00 → 1:30 in the Dean's Office exam room (SML 300)**
- **Community Acquired Pneumonia: Wednesday February 22, 2012 12:00 → 1:30 in the Dean's Office exam room (SML 300)**

There will also be a TBL session on the basic pharmacology of adrenergic receptor blockers in the Pharmacology Department Student Lab, Diana Tamari Sabbagh Building room 310 on

- **Wednesday, February 8, 3-5 pm and Friday, February 10, 2-4 pm**

Please join any of these sessions to learn more about TBL.

The use of TBL has expanded significantly in medical schools in the USA, including Harvard, Johns Hopkins and Stanford among many others. We are adopting the use of TBL within the new curriculum as it fulfills several conditions that allow us to reach our targets; it

1. applies knowledge acquired in lectures or readings to problem solving, and stimulates critical thinking
2. improves learning outcomes and depth of understanding
3. provides uniform learning experiences to all students
4. requires student self-learning and responsibility, and ensures accountability
5. improves communication skills
6. fosters the development of a team spirit and collaboration among students
7. provides immediate feedback to students
8. is both a learning and an assessment method
9. is faculty efficient
10. is liked by students (by and large)

Thank you

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