

# GME Newsletter



November 2023

## Important Dates

### **Research Day**

-November 10th, 2023-

### **Mid-Year Milestone Submission Window**

-October 30, 2023 to January 12, 2024-

### **PS/QI Summit**

March 14, 2024

### **Resident Forum**

December 2, 2023

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## **A Message from your DIO**

The start of a new academic year is both hectic and rewarding. I would like to welcome all residents and fellows who are new to Marshall University School of Medicine GME including the Marshall Community Health Consortium Programs.

Your Program Directors and Coordinators are dedicated to making the training not only strong but exceptional. Residents, please stop by and get to know the GME crew. Visit the wellness center, grab a snack, and use a treadmill.

Program Directors, thank you for a strong start, you all are amazing.

Coordinators, we salute you, everyone knows you are the glue—as well as the soul of any residency or fellowship.

*-Dr. Paulette Wehner-*

## **Trainee Assistance Program (TAP)**

GME offers a free service to all trainees to help deal with life's difficult circumstances. The TAP offers short term, solution focused counseling to assist each trainee. For more information please contact the TAP Coordinator at 304-526-1357

## **Program Administrator Spotlight**

I started as the Program Coordinator for the Oncology fellowship program in 2008 . To say the least, it was a bumpy start because I knew nothing about being a program coordinator. The oncology fellowship was a brand new program to MUSOM and both the program director, Dr. Maria Tirona and myself were new to the world of graduate medical education. But here we are 15 years later, and I have to say I have loved every minute of this job. I am so happy to have been a part of the growth of this program. What was a two year hematology program has evolved into a 3 year hematology/oncology program. It has been the most rewarding career and I have made some great friends and seen so many fellows train and learn and mature into wonderful hematology/oncology physicians. I am so very proud of every one of our fellows that have graduated from our program and I am happy that I was able to be a part of their journey. I especially want to say thanks to Dr. Tirona for her unwavering guidance and support over the years as well as Dr. Wehner and her staff in the GME office. They are the best!!! Retirement is just around the corner for me . My husband and I are motorcycle enthusiasts and I am looking forward to long road trips with him especially the famous "Tale of the Dragon" ride on the Tennessee/North Carolina state line.



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Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine



## Welcome

Dr. David Gozal, Dean  
Joan C. Edwards School  
of Medicine  
Vice-President for Health Affairs  
Marshall University



**Dr. David Gozal**  
MD, MBA, PhD (Hon)

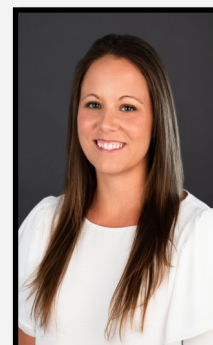
## Resident Advisory Council Update

*Resident Advisory Council is off to a great start this year! As an extension of the wellbeing committee, we hope to engage residents and fellows in an uplifting manner through various activities and address any issues or concerns that may arise.*

*Looking forward, we are planning to transition back to in-person meetings to continue to engage our resident and fellow participants. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. I encourage everyone to seek out their program's RAC representatives if there are any items you wish to have addressed at our monthly meetings. There is no item too small to be discussed!*

*A Winter Forum is in the works, and we have some great ideas for a family-centered Spring Forum so stay tuned!*

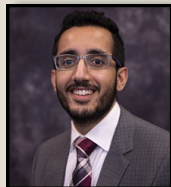
*Finally, one of our major goals this year surrounds the creation of a "Consults 101" guide that will encompass general recommendations for the trainee when consulting specialists, which we hope to roll out for next year's orientation. Be on the lookout for correspondence regarding this exciting project as trainee input will be highly valued!*



## Diversity & Inclusion

The Office of GME views diversity as a strength and is committed to creating a training experience to improve care and reduce inequities in the communities we serve. We work closely with the Office of Diversity & Inclusion to recruit, educate, and retain a diverse physician workforce to care for all patient populations. For more information, please contact Dr. Shelvy Campbell-Monroe — [campbels@marshall.edu](mailto:campbels@marshall.edu)  
Phone number—304-691-1607

## Congratulations to our Residents of the Month



August Residents of the Month

-Surgery Department-

Dominika Dziadecki, MD

Christopher Gonzalez, DO

Toufeeq Suliman, MD



October Resident of the Month

-Cardiology Department-

Mohamed Tashani, MD



November Resident of the Month

-Neurology Department-

Jonathan Hanson, MD

*To nominate a trainee for Resident of the Month, please submit nominations at*  
<https://jcesome.marshall.edu/residents-fellows/residentfellow-of-the-month-nomination/>

# - Resident Wellness -

This academic year's first Resident/Fellow Well-Being luncheon was held on September 27, 2023 at the Resident Wellness Center.



## **Mission Statement**

The mission of Graduate Medical Education at Marshall University School of Medicine is to oversee high quality accredited training programs that produce professional and competent physicians to engage in autonomous practice, communicate effectively and are prepared to adapt to the future evolution in healthcare upon completion of the program. We encourage graduate retention with the educational focus on the unique patient population in the Appalachian region. The Sponsoring Institution promotes professional development in teaching, life-long learning, and well-being throughout the entire graduate medical education community. To support our mission, we cultivate a diverse and inclusive academic and clinical learning environment.

## ~ Meet the Health Sciences Librarian ~

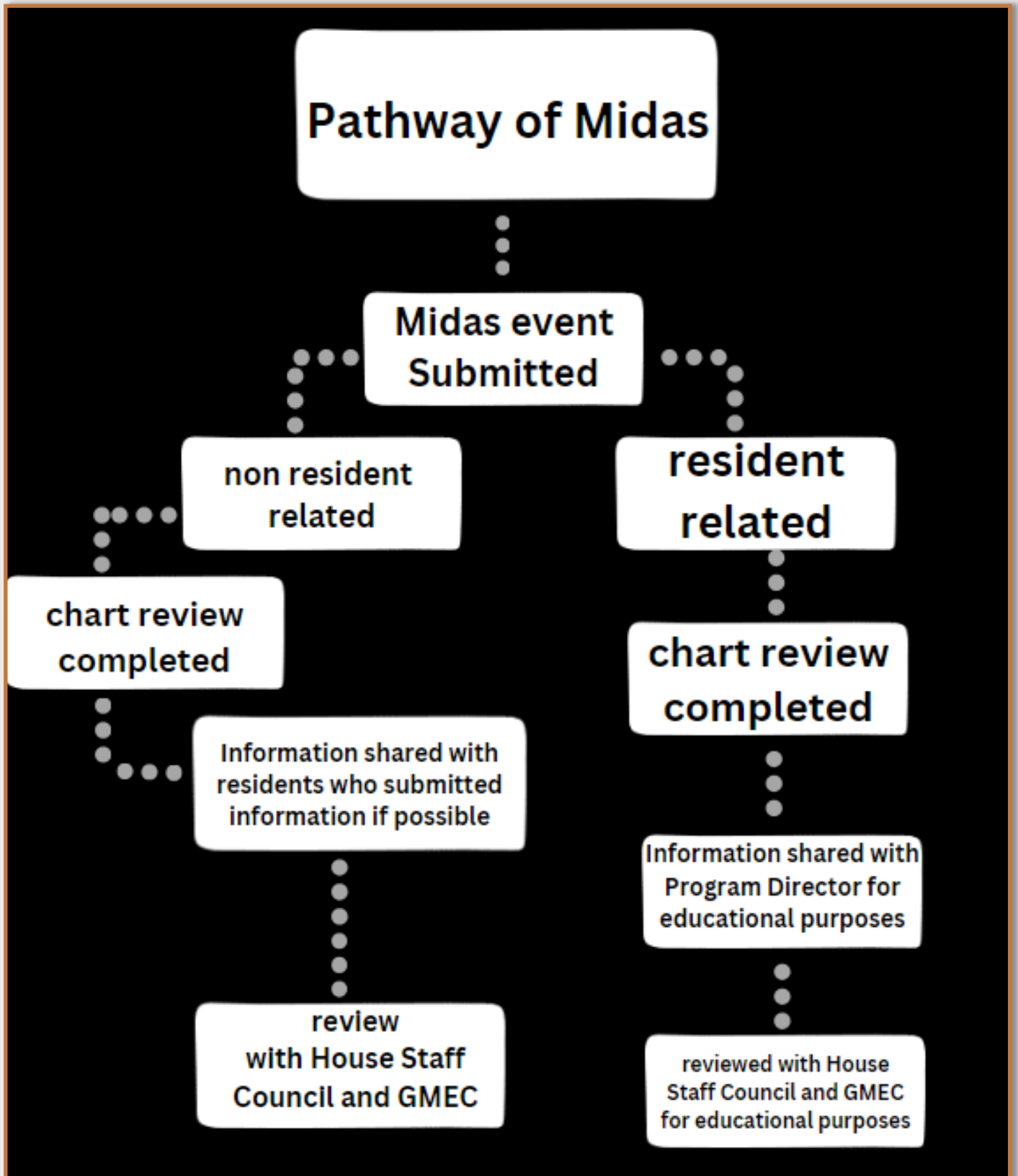
Just the other day I got an email from a Fellow requesting two articles. Easy enough. My first step is to always doublecheck to see if we have access through the library. If not, I move on to my super-secret ways or, you know, put in the ILL request, which is what I did this time round. One came back pretty quickly. The other did not... Twenty-eight libraries in the U.S. denied my request. So, I dug further. The article was published ahead of print in 2019 and has been cited by 3 other articles. However, the wrong website comes up from citation links given by those articles. When I finally found the actual journal site, the article wasn't listed anywhere. Curiouser and curiouser. I finally found one of the authors (a doctor/professor with Penn State Med Center) on Research Gate. I have a request from him for the article, but so far, no luck. That being said...Those of you who have been to the HS Library know that I have added little things. Made little changes. There's always a baked good or two every week countered by some fruit when I think it looks good. Those with pictures and postcards and Lego and blankets and the very popular tea tray have been my way of building connections and relationships with all of you. I love it. Absolutely and sincerely. But what I want, what would make my day(s) even more fulfilling are challenging reference questions. The research. The quest for the right resource or article to help you help others. That is what a librarian does. That is my entire life's work. My passion. If you all would let me help you in terms of research and literature searches, my work life would be next to as perfect as it could possibly be. And don't worry, the cookies and tea and flowers and little comforts are here to stay. Both at the HS Library and in my forthcoming new space on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the BCC. You have my word.



-Anna Hughes, HS Librarian-



## *Patient Safety Quality Improvement*



Dr. Paulette Wehner, Amanda Jones and Jo Ann Raines will participate in the November 14<sup>th</sup> webinar “ACGME Site Visits: There’s Value in the Prep.” The webinar is part of a monthly series on rural residency program development graduate medical education topics produced by the Rural Residency Program Development Technical Assistance Center (RRPD TAC).

Dr. Wehner will be part of a panel discussion on the Planning and Developing rural GME at the 2024 American Hospital Association Rural Health Care Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida in February. The panel will be facilitated by Dr. Keving Yingling, CEO, Marshall Health Network and President of Cabell Huntington Hospital and St. Mary’s Medical Center. Other panelists will include Dr. Michael Canady, CEO, Holzer Health Center, Mr. David Brash, CEO, Logan Regional Medical Center, and Dr. Jodi-Cisco-Goff, Associate Program Director Rural Surgery Residency.

### Upcoming Resident Forum

December 2nd, 2023 - THIS IS A FREE EVENT

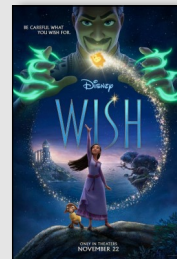
Please visit the link below to vote on the movie you would like to see

Disney’s “Wish”

The Marvels

The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HJTQ6D2>



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE



Dr. Christopher Gonzalez  
Surgery  
ARMY



Dr. Flora Park  
Family Medicine  
AIR FORCE



Dr. Bradley Muncy  
Rural Surgery  
ARMY



Dr. Daniel Demick  
Psychiatry  
AIR FORCE



Dr. Danielle Harris  
Surgery  
NAVY

The 35th Annual Health Sciences Research Day will be held on November 10, 2023. The event will be held in the Marshall University Medical center Atrium at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

Thanks to all who submitted



Congratulations to Drs. Balakrishnan and Sakurai for being selected to complete as the WVACS Resident Jeopardy team at the American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress in October!

We are so excited that they've been selected and know they'll be excellent representatives of Marshall and West Virginia!



Dr. Pranav Balakrishnan



Dr. Yosuke Sakurai

A special **THANK YOU** to our friends at HRSA (Emily Hawes and Lori Rodefeld) and all the local, state, and federal representatives who helped us celebrate opening the nation's first separately accredited rural residency program. Over 100 guests attended the ribbon cutting ceremony held on October 10 to officially open the newly renovated rural residency suite.

Thank you to Jamey Montgomery and his team for the wonderful renovations of the Residency Suite and Dr. Cisco-Goff's office - a job very well done! We would be remiss if we didn't publicly acknowledge a very special note of appreciation to Dr. Cisco-Goff, Tammy Motes, Cherrikah Ball, and Christie Smith for devoting hours to setting up the residency suite. **To summarize what Ms. Rodefeld said, it is the best residency space she has ever seen and, as she added, she has seen many across the nation.**

It certainly takes a village, and we appreciate each and every one of you!

Dr. Wehner and the Office of GME



Jo Ann Raines, Special Projects at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine as well as Institutional Coordinator for the Marshall University Health Consortium, was recently a presenter at the HRSA 2023 Annual Grantee Meeting in Arlington, Virginia.

Raines was selected as a panelist for the session titled "Lessons Learned: Advisor and Grantee Panel". During the session, Raines highlighted the value of community engagement which we reviewed through a survey and the role community service will serve within the residency.

Marshall Community Health Consortium was the recipient of a \$750,000 grant for the development of their rural surgery residency program, which welcomed its inaugural class this past July.



## The More You Know...

### VA Hospital

On weekends, & holidays, all three meals are available to the Residents that are on-call. Meals are served in the hospital kitchen on the 1st floor.

Breakfast — 7 AM

Lunch — 12 PM

Dinner — 5 PM

If you cannot make these times, food can be found in the refrigerator in the Residents Lounge on the 2nd floor. On weekdays, you may get a hot meal from the hospital kitchen for Breakfast at 7am and Dinner at 5pm.

### WIMS Council

WIMS—Women in Medicine & Science

Chair: Beth Emrick, MD

Vice-Chair: Hillary Porter, MD

Piyal Dasgupta, PhD

Shubha Arthor, PhD

Samrina Hanif, MD

#### Members at Large

Resident: Taylor Adkins, MD

Medical Student: Audrey Grigor

Graduate Student Islam

#### Ad-Hoc Advisory Members

Andrea Lauffer, MD (Past Chair)

Darshana Shah, PhD (Associate Dean, OFA)



Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Open House

November 17, 2023

12:00 PM—1:00 PM

2nd Floor, Cindy Warren Conference Room

#### Stop by to Meet...

- = Office of Diversity & Inclusion Staff & Student Leaders from
- = Multiculture Advisory Council (MAC)
- = Student National Medical Association (SNMA)
- = Health Spectrum Alliance (HSA)

Office of Diversity & Inclusion  
Open House RSVP



To ensure lunch is available:  
RSVP by Monday, November 13, 2023

<https://forms.office.com/r/h2yM0u1cgj>

We are collecting pop tabs for donation to the Ronald McDonald House.

Bowls for the pop tabs are located in the Wellness Center lounge as well as the canteen at CHH.

If you would like to share any information, recently published articles or abstracts in this newsletter, please email them to [GME@marshall.edu](mailto:GME@marshall.edu)



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