



# NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome to Volume 2

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Dear U-M EM Residency Alumni,

It is our favorite time in Ann Arbor, with the leaves turning colors and beginning to fall, apple cider and donuts, and the buzz of the undergraduate students. As we were driving past the frat houses littered with flip cup tables on game day, my 3-year-old daughter commented, “Look, mommy and daddy, they’re having a lemonade stand!” We had a good laugh – the joys of living in a college town!

The new academic year is in full swing, and our residents continue to amaze us as they progress through their training to become leaders in emergency medicine. Our education team is gearing up for recruitment, which will happen virtually again this year. We are proud of all the impressive work our alumni are doing and we know applicants will want to hear about each of your career paths and accomplishments as they make big decisions about their future!

We hope you have been enjoying the newsletter initiatives and ask that you continue to send us news, updates and opportunities that you would like us to share!



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# Celebrating our Amazing Residents!

*(and a few faculty & fellow alumni 😊)*



Having fun at  
our recent  
EM1-3 retreat ...



... and on Shift!





## ACEP 2022 Highlights

We know many of you enjoyed seeing each other in sunny San Francisco for ACEP and hope everyone had a great time. Below are some photos sent in by our residents and alumni.



Current senior EM residents enjoying the conference



Sarah Perez, EM4, making us proud as she gives a talk on "The Resuscitator's Approach to Severe Hyponatremia" at the ACEP Critical Care Section meeting!


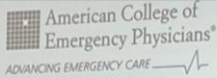



@umichiganem alumni repping at ACEP 2022







Look closely and you will spot several current faculty and alumni serving in ACEP leadership

**2022 Clinical Pathological Case Competition (CPC) Final Winners**

	<p><b>Faculty Winner</b> Carrie Commissaris Harvard Affiliated EM Residency BWH/MGH</p>		<p><b>Resident Winner</b> Keenan Mahan Harvard Affiliated EM Residency BWH/MGH</p>
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Congrats to alum Carrie Commissaris, for taking home the national CPC trophy!

Sam Chao and Emily Ager, two of our EM3s, with Kermit Jones, MD (running for congress) and Rep Paul Ruiz, MD (D-CA), emergency physician & member of Congress.



## Alumni News!

Congratulations to **Dr. Diann Krywko** ('99), who recently accepted a position as Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Medical University of South Carolina. We are so proud of her accomplishments!

### Congratulations to Dr. Diann Krywko, named Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine!



I am pleased to inform you that Dr. Diann Krywko has accepted our offer to serve as Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine effective immediately.

Dr. Krywko brings an excellent combination of leadership, clinical, education, and administrative skills to this position, and I am confident that she will devote her energy and effort to the continued development and success of the department.

We are appreciative of her service as Interim Chair over the past year, and we welcome her continued leadership and commitment.

Sincerely,

Terry Steyer, MD  
Interim Dean, College of Medicine



College of Medicine

Special recognition to **Chris Schmelzer** ('05) who was recently promoted to the rank of Air Force Colonel and assumed command of the 162d Medical Group, Arizona Air National Guard.



**Arizona Air National Guard**



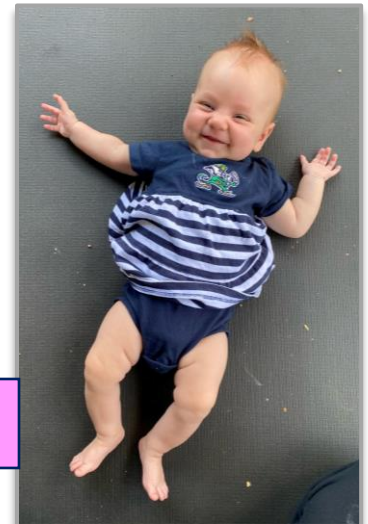


## Celebrating our Alumni



Congratulations to **Dr. Tina Brent** ('16), who recently welcomed a new addition to her family, baby Clare, who is 5 months old and joined siblings Collin (5) and Cate (3).

# CONGRATULATIONS



Welcome Baby Clare!



**Dr. Alison Kapadia** ('13), recently started a new role at Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth. She is now the Associate Director for Medical Innovation Program to Address Implicit Bias in Healthcare Learning Environments. This involves teaching about impact bias in the clinical environment, training facilitators, and co-leading workshops for medical students, faculty, and staff on communication skills used to respond productively to microaggressions in the clinical environment.

**Dr. Chris Cottrell** ('21) shared that he recently joined another one of our alumni, Dr. Nick Hermann, in Kalamazoo with Southwestern Michigan Emergency Services (SWMES). It's awesome to see our alumni working together post residency!



## Alumni News and Updates



**Dr. Rob McCurdy** ('96) serves as Board Chairman for Huron Valley Ambulance and is a Board Member for the Shelter Association for Washtenaw County!



Congrats to **Dr. Nik Theyyunni** ('14), who was recently named the inaugural Chief of the Division of Clinical Ultrasound in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Michigan Medicine

**Dr. Tom Cunningham** ('17) has started doing home visits for the End-of-Life Option in California in addition to his full time ER work for Kaiser Permanente in sunny So Cal. He has found it to be meaningful work that complements his time in the ED! He is also doing clinical and small group teaching for Kaiser Permanente School of Medicine.



**MORE GOOD NEWS!!**

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**Dr. Arun Ganti** ('18) has moved out to Seattle, WA and is now working at UW Medicine - Valley Medical Center. He welcomed a second child last September.

**Dr. Hayley Andre (née Ward)** ('20) graduated from critical care fellowship, moved to Cleveland, and is starting at University Hospitals Cleveland Medical Center with time in both the ICU and the emergency department. Dr. Andre is joining our fellow alumni Drs. Sarah Tehranisa and Michael Cover. She will also welcome a second child in December!!

**Dr. Sarah Tehranisa (née Tochman)** ('17) welcomed her second child in February!

## Alumni News & Shared Opportunities

**Dr. Juana Nicoll Capizzano** (US fellowship alumna and family medicine colleague) participated at the Michigan Future of Family Medicine Student Conference & Resident Connection last month. She is pictured here with Dr. Schoneich (POCUS Fellow) and 2 US track Residents: Dr. Fraser and Dr. Arthur, who ran the Point of Care Ultrasound Workshop for more than 60 medical students. She also recently published an article titled “Current State of Point-of-Care Ultrasound Use Within Family Medicine”, available here: <https://www.jabfm.org/content/jabfp/35/4/809.full.pdf>



**Dr. Kory London** ('15) is doing great work in Philly related to substance use disorder and the increasing prevalence and risks associated with fentanyl and xylazine contaminating the non-medical opioid supply in our communities. He just published an Op-Ed on the subject, available here: <https://archive.ph/HszSR>

## OPPORTUNITIES SHARED BY ALUMNI

Thomas Jefferson in Center City, Philadelphia is looking for faculty to begin as soon as possible, for board-eligible/board-certified individuals. If you have an interest, please reach out/submit a CV to **Bernard Lopez** at [bernard.lopez@jefferson.edu](mailto:bernard.lopez@jefferson.edu). You can also reach out to **Kory London** ([korylondon@gmail.com](mailto:korylondon@gmail.com)) if you want to know more about life in Philly.

Interested in the Columbus, OH job market? If so, **Adam Heringhaus** is aware of a few new opportunities, and you can reach him at [heringaj@gmail.com](mailto:heringaj@gmail.com).



# ALUMNI AWARDS



We are bringing back our alumni awards and are seeking your nominations! Nominations will be accepted for:

- Excellence in Research
- Excellence in Education
- Excellence in Service
- Excellence in Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
- Excellence in Health Administration
- Rising Star Award

All alumni, regardless of career duration, are eligible. The nomination form is very short and only requires a name as well as an optional description of support.

Nominate fellow alumni at this link by **November 1, 2023!**

<https://forms.gle/sE1GHNAiM6tb7iDKA>

We will aim to announce the awards by the end of the calendar year.

## Upcoming Events

**SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH**



# ALUMNI TAILGATE

We are planning a casual, informal tailgate for current faculty, residents and alumni to take place on Saturday, October 29th at the MSU game.

We will provide beverages and a location (to be shared closer to the event, anticipated at South Main 1054), and ask that any faculty or alumni guests bring a snack or dish to share!

More details will be coming out soon!



*We are planning on advocating for improvements in stroke awareness, prevention, treatment and support as part of the event.*



**Saturday, October 29th**  
**Time TBD**  
**SAVE THE DATE**

2023

ALUMNI EVENTS

## CORD & SAEM

We are planning to have events at both conferences that alumni are invited to join. We will keep you posted on date/time/location as we get closer to the dates. We hope to see you there!



## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

can we highlight your success?

If you would like to be featured, please email me ([calderom@med.umich.edu](mailto:calderom@med.umich.edu)) and we'll include a brief profile describing your current role and how you got there.

## Interested in Giving Back?

### WAYS TO GIVE

Through grateful gifts from our alumni, patients & friends, our team is advancing our mission to create the future of Emergency Care.

To learn more, please contact Mark Clark ([markclar@med.umich.edu](mailto:markclar@med.umich.edu)) for details on how to support our department and residency program initiatives.



**SF Hoodies & T-Shirts Still Available:**  
<https://victors.us/survivalflightgear2022>