

# Emory Family & Preventive Medicine Department News

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## 55 Words from the Chair

The 2022 Family and Preventive Medicine Awards recognized individuals and groups for awesome work in education, service, and research across our department! With the 2023 awards event happening soon, please use this- and other-nomination opportunities to allow us to feature more of our deserving recipients! Please offer a personal shout-out to our recipients.

## **Congratulations to the Recipients of our First Annual Department Awards!**

Thank you to all of the nominators, nominees, and the Awards and Recognitions Committee for making our first Awards ceremony happen!

Please scroll to the bottom of the newsletter to see the complete slide deck from our awards ceremony, which was held on Monday, February 27.

Emerging Research Scholar - Ambar Kulshreshtha
Excellence in Classroom Teaching - Jeremy Amayo
Excellence in Clinical Teaching - James Jo
Outstanding Clinician – Junior Faculty - Emily Herndon
Outstanding Clinician – Senior Faculty - Oguchi Nwosu
Distinguished Service – Junior Faculty - Miranda Moore
Distinguished Service – Senior Faculty - Jodie Guest
Educational Leadership, Service, & Program Development - Maha Lund
Faculty Mentoring in Education and Service - Lawson Marcewicz
Faculty Mentoring in Research - Dio Kavalieratos
Staff – Stellar Service - Khaliya Ward
Staff – Outstanding Career Achievement - Patricia Woodard
Team-Based - Atlanta VA Palliative Care Team
DEI Champion - Janelle Holder





**Congratulations and best wishes to  
Dr. Graham!**



**Dr. Antonio Graham** is returning to Baltimore to serve as Chair of Clinical Medicine for a new College of Osteopathic Medicine based at Morgan State University, which will be the first new medical school at a Historically Black College or University (HBCU) in nearly 45 years and the first osteopathic medical school at an HBCU in history. Dr. Graham has been a valued educator, clinician, leader, and colleague at Emory in both the Department of Medicine and the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine and he will be missed.

**Congratulations and best wishes  
to Dr. Lund!**



**Dr. Maha Lund** is leaving her position as Director of the Emory PA Program to be the next dean of the Elon University School of Health Sciences. She will report to the provost and will oversee the departments of Physical Therapy Education, Physician Assistant Studies and Nursing, with 28 full-time faculty and more than 300 graduate and undergraduate students. The dean is responsible for providing intellectual and administrative leadership for the School of Health Sciences while strengthening Elon's engaged, active and experiential education offerings within a rigorous and challenging academic environment. Read the announcement from Elon University [here](#).



**Welcome to the Department  
Dr. Victoria Sweetnam!**



We are delighted to announce that **Dr. Victoria Sweetnam** has accepted a full-time position in Supportive Care Clinic in the Division of Palliative Medicine. Victoria is coming to us from a fellowship at the Medical University of South Carolina's Department of Palliative and Hospice Medicine, and she also works part-time as a hospitalist at Roper St. Francis Hospital. She earned her medical school training at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and

completed her Internal Medicine residency at the Medical University of South Carolina. She is also fluent in both Spanish and French. Notably, Victoria has a clinical and academic interest in the intersection between palliative care and primary care, as well as palliative care's role in pulmonary hypertension.

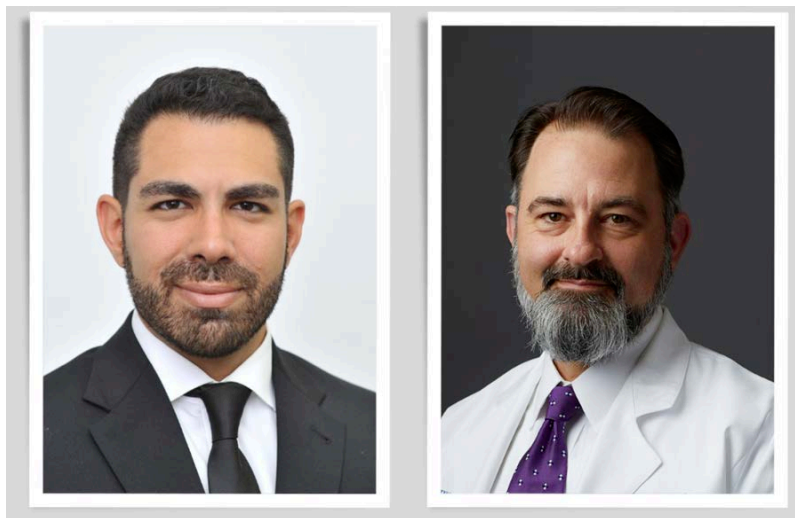


Want to get more involved in wellness advocacy, programming, and/or research?

1. **Become a School of Medicine wellness champion:** Do you want to become a wellness champion for our department in the SOM? Learn more about the program [here](#). If you're interested, email [Farrah Williams](#) at Healthy Emory to find out more.
2. **Do you have a wellness related research project or idea?** Request an input/feedback session to get feedback on a research idea from the EmWell Discovery & Innovation committee [here](#). And stay tuned for microgrant applications, *coming soon*.
3. **Become a Peer Supporter:** Train to become a peer supporter in the emBRACE program. The next 2-day training is May 16 and 17, 2023. Get information and sign up here: [EmBRACE Peer Supporter CANDIDATE Application \(office.com\)](#)

Free compassion meditation courses. Find out more information and sign up here: [CBCT® for Courses for Emory Participants & Grady Personnel \(office.com\)](mailto:CBCT@forCoursesforEmoryParticipants&GradyPersonnel.office.com)!

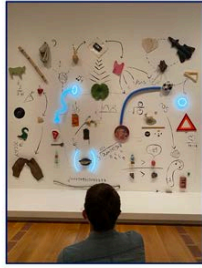
## Transformative Research



Palliative Medicine Co-PIs **Dr. Ali John Zarrabi** and **Dr. Paul DeSandre** got a shout-out during Dean Sukhatme's State of the School Address for their I3 project Establishing a Museum-Based Education Initiative at Emory School of Medicine (slide below). Have you visited their [Arts-Based Health Education at Emory website](#)?



### Successes Beyond ROI



## IMAGINE, INNOVATE, AND IMPACT AWARDS (I<sup>3</sup>)

### INNOVATIVE LEARNING

PI: Ali John Zarrabi, MD

**Project Title:** Establishing a Museum-Based Education Initiative at Emory School of Medicine

**Project Background:**

- Museum-based education (MBE) is an emerging pedagogy that uses art and museum spaces to teach learners critical thinking skills using deep observation, reflection, and discussion. MBE has a tradition in undergraduate medical education with established programs at America's premier medical schools.

**Project Successes:**

- Expanded MBE course offerings within the SOM, including:
  - Art of Pain
  - Art of Palliation
- Offered formal trainings in MBE for Emory faculty
- Developed teaching guides for faculty
- Created a website to establish a visual identity for MBE at Emory
- Held meetings to support collaboration between Emory SOM faculty and staff and Carlos and High Museum Staff

## Research News



Congratulations to **Dr. Leslie Johnson** for being [named a 2022 MQ Fellow](#), a 3-year K-

equivalent that allows her to expand her studies of diabetes and depression. MQ's 2022 Fellows Awards are focused on advancing MQ's efforts to tackle premature mortality among those suffering from mental illness and mental distress. The Fellows Award supports the best and brightest early career scientists from across the globe, who are asking challenging questions that will contribute to transformative advances in mental health research.

Dr. Johnson was one of seven awardees selected from 63 applications from around the globe. Dr. Johnson's 3-year career development award is jointly funded by MQ Mental Health Research and the JDRF Foundation and will focus on adapting and implementing a collaborative care model for patients with Type 1 Diabetes at Grady.

Dr. Johnson was also invited to Indiana University on 2/10 as a speaker for their Psychiatry Grand Rounds. Her talk was entitled, "Enhancing access to mental health care in India: Implementation and effectiveness of integrating depression and diabetes treatment."

Psychiatry Grand Rounds



Friday, February 10, 2023  
11:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Goodman Hall Auditorium (Room 1030)

Enhancing access to mental health care in India:  
Implementation and effectiveness of integrating depression and diabetes treatment



Leslie Johnson, PhD, MPH, MLitt  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Family and Preventive Medicine | School of Medicine | Emory University

Dr. Johnson is also a scholar in the inaugural NIH Underrepresented Biomedical Research Scholars

Program, through which she works on a transdisciplinary group project with other program scholars using the NIH *All of Us* database. Her team just received notification that the *All of Us* Evenings with Genetics Research Program has awarded \$30,000 to support their project entitled, "Identification and Validation of SNPs as Risk Factors for IBD in the *All of Us* Database." The aim of this project is to identify and validate the genes associated with the risk of development of the IBD using data from the *All of Us* database, then establish organoid models that will pave the way to future personalized therapeutics for the treatment of IBD.



Congratulations to **Dr. Sathish**

**Thirunavukkarasu!** He will be Co-Investigator on the project *Urinary Biomarkers of Tobacco Smoke Exposure and Harm: An Exposomics Approach to Understand the Smoking Paradox*, funded by Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) from 2023-2026. Funding amount: CAD \$692,324.

He will also be Guest Editor for a Special Issue "Exclusive Papers Collection of Editorial Board Members in Diabetology" in *Diabetology*.

Dr. Thirunavukkarasu was also selected as a Peer Review Member for the "Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Research Excellence, Diversity, and Independence (REDI) Early Career Transition Award", Canada.



Congratulations to PI **Dr. Ali John Zarrabi** for receiving funding from The Emory Center for Health in Aging for “The effects of psilocybin on oxidative stress, inflammation, and aging.” Dr. Zarrabi's project was one of [three innovative pilot projects](#) selected to receive up to \$45,000 each for one year of study.

## **9th Annual Health Services Research Day**

**Wednesday, May 3 | Emory School of Medicine  
Building, Auditorium 110**

**Abstracts Due: Monday, March 6 | [Submit](#)**

Join for this symposium and networking opportunity where researchers across Georgia will learn about ongoing quality, effectiveness, and value-based research activities.

Details and Registration for Health Sciences  
Research Day



### **Collaborative department publications**

Family Medicine faculty **Dr. Mo Ali** and **Dr. Oguchi Nwosu** published [Performance of screening tools for cervical neoplasia among women in low- and middle-income countries: A systematic review and meta-analysis.](#)

Palliative Medicine faculty **Dr. Jane Lowers**, **Dr. Sarah Cross**, **Dr. Tammie Quest**, **Dr. Ali John Zarrabi**, and **Dr. Dio Kavalieratos** published [Barriers of Acceptance to Hospice Care: a Randomized Vignette-Based Experiment.](#)

**Dr. Jane Lowers** and **Dr. Dio Kavalieratos** also published [Solo but Not Alone: An Examination of Social and Help Networks among Community-Dwelling Older Adults without Close Family.](#)



## Faculty publications

**Dr. Mo Ali** published [Impact of changes in diabetes screening guidelines on testing eligibility and potential yield among adults without diagnosed diabetes in the United States](#) and [Cost-effectiveness of a Multicomponent Quality Improvement Care Model for Diabetes in South Asia: The CARRS Randomized Clinical Trial.](#)

**Dr. Leslie Johnson** published [LMIC research centers' experiences hosting U.S. and LMIC trainees: Evaluation of the Fogarty Global Health Fellows and Scholars Program, 2012 to 2020.](#)

**Dr. Tammie Quest** published [Death Anxiety and Correlates in Cancer Patients Receiving Palliative Care.](#)

**Dr. Sathish Thirunavukkarasu** published [Glycemia and New-Onset Diabetes among COVID-19 Patients with Prediabetes: A Follow-Study of Case Series in India.](#) He also published [Knowledge of Diabetes among Adults at High Risk for Type 2 Diabetes in the Trivandrum District of Kerala, India.](#)

**Educational  
Investments for our  
future**



## Congratulations Dr. Thompson, Preceptor of the Year!

**Dr. Tina-Ann Thompson** was selected as the M3 Adult Primary Care Clerkship 2022-2023 Preceptor for the Year! Some excerpts from student evaluations include, “She was an excellent teacher. She pushes us to learn from each patient and to be confident when answering questions,” and “I really felt I gained a lot of clinical skills that I will carry with me through my future career.” Dr. Thompson is *pictured above* receiving her award at the annual Preceptor Recognition Dinner from clerkship directors Dr. Eva Rimler and **Dr. Ryan Smith**.

## Dr. Nwosu Teaches in Ethiopia

As part of the Global Health Residency Scholars Program, **Dr. Oguchi Nwosu** has been in Ethiopia with faculty and residents of Addis Ababa University for the month of February.

*Pictured below:* Dr. Nwosu with the faculty and residents of Addis Ababa University.



**Congrats to new FM Chief Residents!**



## **Family Medicine Residency holds Open Houses**

**The Family Medicine Residency** held open houses on January 21 and February 11 for prospective residents at Gypsy Kitchen in



Buckhead. Around 25 candidates attended, along with current FM residents. *Pictures below* from the February 11 event.



## Gomez named WHEA Teaching Fellow



Congratulations to **Belinda Adjei Gomez, PhD, MBA, RN!** Dr. Gomez, Senior Manager of Clinical Services and Operations at the Emory Family Medicine Clinic in Dunwoody, has been selected as a 2023-2024 WHEA Teaching Fellow.

The [WHEA Teaching Fellowship](#) is a 12-month program for health sciences educators who want to advance their teaching skills and offer quality instruction to their learners.

### **Dr. Turbow Receives APTR Early Career Award**



**Dr. Sara Turbow**, Associate Professor and Associate Program Director of the Preventive Medicine Residency Program, is the 2023 recipient of the [Association for Prevention Teaching and Research Early Career Award](#). This award recognizes an APTR member who has completed their training within the last decade and whose contributions have enhanced student learning and resident instruction in the field of prevention and public health. Dr. Turbow will receive her award at the APTR Annual Awards Luncheon on March 28, 2023, in New Orleans, LA. She was nominated by **Dr. Richard Goodman**.

## **Georgia Memory Net offers CME Webinars**

Join the Georgia Memory Net Network for their new monthly webinar, GMNsights: Expert Clinical Insights in Dementia Care for your Patients.

**Earn .5 hour CME credits** for attending this free session. Participants must register in advance.

**March 15: "A practical guide to staging dementia in primary care."** Presented by: Carolyn Clevenger- Professor, clinical track, Associate Dean for Transformative Clinical Practice | DNP, RN, GNP-BC, AGPCNP-BC, FAANP, FGSA

Please [register here](#). You can also [email Laurie Beth Bryant](#), CRC, LAPC, Associate Program Director of Georgia Memory Net|Emory Brain Health Center to receive a monthly invitation to this webinar.



## FPM Faculty are invited to attend the 2023 Feed Conference!



The Department of Medicine and Department of Pediatrics Offices of Faculty Development are pleased to present the 14th annual [Faculty Education, Enrichment, and Development \(FEED\) Conference](#), taking place virtually on March 24. This year's theme will focus on the topic of **medical innovation**.

Agenda and Registration for FEED Conference

### Save the Date: Bettye Rose Connell Lecture

# SAVE THE DATE

13th Annual  
Bettye Rose Connell  
Memorial Lecture Series

**BETTYE ROSE  
CONNELL  
MEMORIAL  
LECTURE  
SERIES**

**APRIL 18th, 2023**  
**5:00PM**  
Miller-Ward Alumni House  
201 Dowman Drive, Atlanta, Georgia  
30322

**GUEST SPEAKER**



**Sara J. Czaja Ph.D**

*The Role of Technology in  
Supporting Family Caregivers*

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**EMORY**  
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Center for  
Health in Aging



**CVNR**  
Center for Natural &  
Neurocognitive Health & Learning

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/3wxO7Hg>

[Dr. Sara Czaja](#), Gladys and Roland Harriman Professor of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medical College, directs the Center on Aging and Behavioral Research at Weill Cornell Medicine. Her honors include the Jack A. Kraft Award for Innovation from the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society and the Social Impact Award from the Association of Computing Machinery.

## Service for our future



## Summer 2023 Interpreters needed!

### EFP needs interpreters!

The PA Program is currently preparing for the Summer 2023 Emory Farmworker Project which will take place **June 9-16 in Bainbridge** and **June 16-23 in Valdosta**. We are looking for people who can join us as interpreters! Interpretation is vital to be able to serve this patient population and is needed in Spanish (Bainbridge and Valdosta) and Haitian Creole (Bainbridge only). Please feel free to share with friends and family outside of Emory! Anyone interested in volunteering as an interpreter can email [etgrill@emory.edu](mailto:etgrill@emory.edu).

## News from the FPM DEI Council



## Register Now for Health Equity Day May 16, 9 am - 2 pm

Emory Department of Medicine's third annual Health Equity Day will take place on May 16, 2023. The half-day conference includes narrative and poster presentations, a case competition, a keynote address, and an innovation award. **All members of the Emory DOM and SOM community are welcome to attend.**

Register for Health Equity Day 2023



[Whose Good Death? Valuation and Standardization as Mechanisms of Inequality in Hospitals.](#)

[Stigmatizing language expressed towards individuals with current or previous OUD who have pain and cancer: A qualitative study - Journal of Pain and Symptom Management](#)

Check out past recommendations in the FPM [Virtual Library](#).

**SOM Affinity Groups:  
Become a Member or Ally**

SOM Affinity Groups offer an opportunity for faculty to engage and network with their colleagues from similar cultural and/or underrepresented groups in events and activities ranging from professional development to cultural celebrations. Current faculty affinity groups include:

- Asian American and Pacific Islander Medical Faculty Affinity Group
- African American Women Collaborative Faculty Affinity Group
- LGBTQ+ Faculty Affinity Group
- Latina/o/x Faculty Affinity Group
- Emory Alliance for Women in Medicine and Science (EAWiMS)

[Join an affinity group.](#)

## **Remembrance and Resilience**

Mar. 16 | 4 p.m | Hybrid

Mark the second anniversary of the spa shootings in Atlanta. Deepa Iyer, a social justice advocate and author, will provide remarks about how Asian Americans build community and solidarity during times of crisis.

[Register here.](#)

## **Diversity Engagement Survey**

**March 20 - April 17**

On March 20, the SOM will launch the Diversity Engagement Survey to all faculty, staff and learners. This survey is designed to understand

sense of belonging and results will lead to action in the diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) efforts in the School of Medicine specifically. This survey was last offered in 2020 and resulted in new affinity groups, Diversity Week, and quarterly community forums to share updates. The survey is just 22 questions.

## **The Politics of Racial Resentment**

**Mar. 29 | 11 a.m - 12:15 p.m | Hybrid**

This lecture, *How the Politics of Racial Resentment Undermine Individual and Societal Health and Well-Being*, and discussion led by Dr. Jonathan Metzl, of Vanderbilt University will offer smart and necessary plans for working towards a society that is healthier for everyone.

[Register here.](#)

## **News from the Office of Faculty Development**

**COACHE faculty satisfaction  
survey  
available now through April 7**

Faculty should have received an email from [coachefaculty@abtassoc.com](mailto:coachefaculty@abtassoc.com) with a personalized survey link. This survey is designed to enhance the understanding of faculty experiences at Emory



University and is the first step in a process to transform data into actionable policies and practices. As the largest school at Emory, it is critically important that the unique needs and concerns of School of Medicine faculty are heard and incorporated into future planning efforts - both at the university level and within the SOM. Visit [Emory's COACHE website](#) to see results and recommendations from the 2020 survey.



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## Family and Preventive Medicine Annual Awards 2022

### Award Categories

Emerging Research Scholar  
Established Research Scholar  
Excellence in Classroom Teaching  
Excellence in Clinical Teaching  
Outstanding Clinician – Junior Faculty  
Outstanding Clinician – Senior Faculty  
Distinguished Service – Junior Faculty  
Distinguished Service – Senior Faculty  
Educational Leadership, Service, and Program Development  
Faculty Mentoring in Education and Service  
Faculty Mentoring in Research  
Staff – Stellar Service  
Staff – Outstanding Career Achievement  
Team-Based  
DEI Champion



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# Emerging Research Scholar

A successful nominee for the Award for an Emerging Research Scholar will have contributed to advancing the field through translation of research, achieving health equity, and/or improving quality of care within healthcare system.

Nominees:

Ambar Kulshreshtha

Jane Lowers

Jennifer Mascaro

Sathish Thirunavukkarasu

Ali John Zarrabi

# Emerging Research Scholar

“He has had numerous publications, presentations (both locally and nationally) and posters in his areas of interests, he has been quite active in engaging and mentoring our family medicine residents in scholarly activity on various topics.”

“He frankly seems to have more than 24 hours a day unlike most of us. His output has simply been outstanding and he has found a way to balance this very well with a young family with the demands that come with that.”

## Emerging Research Scholar'2022

Ambar Kulshreshtha, MD, MPH, PhD



## Established Research Scholar

Candidates can self-nominate or be nominated by another faculty member and the nomination letter should explain how the nominee's contribution advances the field (translation of research, achieving health equity, improving quality of care within healthcare system). Reference to a key paper/abstract published in the past year or recently funded grant highly encouraged. For the Established Research Scholar Award, evidence of past scholarship merit should be described in the statement.

- No nominees for 2022

## Excellence in Classroom Teaching

- The DPFM Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching is to be awarded to the DPFM faculty member who exemplifies the following:
- Effective facilitation of learning among diverse learners in either the classroom and/or small group setting
- Excellence in developing curriculum and content for the classroom and/or small group setting
- Passion and enthusiasm in delivery of content and/or facilitation
- The central importance of translating didactic content and skills practice to patient care in the clinical settings

Nominees:

There was only one nominee in this category

## Excellence in Classroom Teaching

"He has excelled as a master teacher, explaining complex physiology in all our clinical modules. He directs and teaches our pulmonary and endocrine modules, teaches point of care ultrasound in all clinical modules and he helps manage and teach our online national Board Review course. He keeps students engaged with his enthusiasm, innovative case based teaching style, and hands on demonstrations. He is adept in teaching classes students diverse backgrounds, assessing their clinical reasoning skills instead of just information recall. He has the best student reviews of all our veteran faculty."

"He will keep the Emory PA program in the top 5 list with his leadership, innovation, enthusiasm, and support for Emory. He is a role model for future students and inspires the PA faculty to excellence."

# Excellence in Classroom Teaching 2022

Jeremy Amayo, MMSc, PA-C



## Excellence in Clinical Teaching

- The DPFM Award for Excellence in Clinical Teaching is to be awarded to the DPFM faculty member who exemplifies the following qualities and values:
- The central roles of humanism, professionalism and caring in patient care
- The primacy of the clinician-patient relationship in clinical teaching
- The importance and value of teaching at the bedside
- The critical value of bridging the gap between our research and educational missions

Nominees:

There was only one nominee in this category

## Excellence in Clinical Teaching

“He has served as a bedside teacher for residents in the inpatient and outpatient settings, and won the outstanding faculty award for inpatient and outpatient teaching in the residency program multiple times, most recently in 2021-2022.”

“He has been described as ‘an excellent teacher of residents, emphasizing the autonomy of residents while also tactfully suggesting alternative treatment plans when appropriate. He creates a welcoming, judgment-free learning environment that allows residents and students to focus on learning.’”

“He has contributed significantly to improving the educational experience for medical students and residents throughout his time here.”



# Excellence in Clinical Teaching 2022

James Jo, MD



## Outstanding Clinician – Junior Faculty

- Eligibility: All regular faculty with a primary or joint appointment in DFPM of Emory University who spend the majority (>50%) of their duties engaged in direct patient care in outpatient or inpatient settings are eligible.
- Examples of outstanding quality of patient care
- Commitment to team-oriented delivery of patient care
- Excellent rapport with non-physician clinical staff
- Participation in quality improvement project(s)
- Accessibility and commitment to collaboration with other physicians
- Dedication to the continuing education of physician colleagues through lecture and informal discussion of medical cases

Nominees:

There was only one nominee in this category



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## Outstanding Clinician – Junior Faculty

“She is the most proficient provider with whom I have ever worked. She always is on point with follow up and documentation. She is committed to efficient, high-quality care for her patients. She will cover and support her colleagues whenever asked. She provides critical input and insight into improving processes and ensuring they are up to date with current guidelines and research.”

“She is the epitome of a Family Physician who cares for her patients, colleagues, and Emory wholeheartedly. She has elevated our GYN care and telehealth to the next level and provides all her patients with evidence-based quality care.”



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## Outstanding Clinician - Jr. Faculty 2022

Emily Herndon, MD



### Outstanding Clinician – Senior Faculty

- Eligibility: All regular faculty with a primary or joint appointment in DFPM of Emory University who spend the majority (>50%) of their duties engaged in direct patient care in outpatient or inpatient settings are eligible.
- Examples of outstanding quality of patient care
- Commitment to team-oriented delivery of patient care
- Excellent rapport with non-physician clinical staff
- Participation in quality improvement project(s)
- Accessibility and commitment to collaboration with other physicians
- Dedication to the continuing education of physician colleagues through lecture and informal discussion of medical cases

Nominees:

There was only one nominee in this category



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### Outstanding Clinician – Senior Faculty

- “He is very empathic and compassionate for the medical needs of his patients, he understands that there are various factors that go into a patient’s well being and he listens carefully for how he may be able to address them.”
- “His patient satisfaction scores are always in the top ten percent and he has some of the lowest no show rates. Patients refer family and friends to him.”
- “He has been a role model for trainees on how to relate to patients in a compassionate and caring way and often states that 'Patients want to know that you care more than they care about what you know'. That said, he always emphasizes the importance of being a well rounded and knowledgeable physician.”



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## Outstanding Clinician - Sr. Faculty 2022

Oguchi Nwosu, MD



## Distinguished Service Award – Junior Faculty

Examples of distinguished service:

- Service to house staff such as work in resident or fellowship interviews, recruitment, and support
- Service to students such as program development for student support or sponsoring clerkships
- Important administrative service to DFPM despite heavy clinical and/or research demands
- Service to the community via public education programs or campaigns, volunteerism, or non-profit organizations
- Exemplary service to underserved populations
- Development of new or innovative programs that are recognized by the University or School of Medicine as representative of outstanding service by DFPM

Nominees:

- Miranda Moore
- Vaishali Rathee

## Distinguished Service Award – Junior Faculty

“She is like the glue, seemingly knowing everyone, everywhere, and always ready to connect people in service to excellence. Her attitude, in addition to the productive and wide-reaching service detailed above, has been formative in helping the department develop a culture of curiosity and scholarly inquiry. This service has helped lift all boats, leading to presentations and publications for faculty and trainees. Her work, more than any other junior faculty that I know, bolsters the collegial and collaborative environment of DFPM and beyond.”

## Distinguished Service Award Jr. Faculty 2022

Miranda Moore, PhD



## Distinguished Service Award – Senior Faculty

Examples of distinguished service:

- Service to house staff such as work in resident or fellowship interviews, recruitment, and support
- Service to students such as program development for student support or sponsoring clerkships
- Important administrative service to DFPM despite heavy clinical and/or research demands
- Service to the community via public education programs or campaigns, volunteerism, or non-profit organizations
- Exemplary service to underserved populations
- Development of new or innovative programs that are recognized by the University or School of Medicine as representative of outstanding service by DFPM

Nominees:

- Susana Alfonso
- Jodie Guest
- Joanna Kuntz



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## Distinguished Service Award – Senior Faculty

"Since the start of the pandemic, she has worked tirelessly to educate and vaccinate the community more than any other clinician I know. She has demonstrated outstanding service to underserved community partnering with such entities as the Mexican Consulate to expand her outreach. She hosted the first Latino-specific testing and vaccine events in the state of GA at the Mexican Consulate."

"The following is an example of some of her work: Led and organized : Vaccine events: 34 Testing events: 56 Numbers vaccinated: over 6,000 Numbers tested: over 10,000 COVID-19 media pieces: 136 COVID-19 videos for Emory: 57 Invited lectures/presentations about COVID-19 in the community: 46 Community organizations supported by writing COVID-19 protocols/advising: 13

This is truly remarkable work especially given that she is not a clinician but rather someone who truly believes in the power of public health, collaboration, and leadership by example."



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# Distinguished Service Award Sr. Faculty 2022

Jodie Guest, PhD, MPH



## Educational Leadership, Service, and Program Development

The DFPM Award for Educational Leadership, Service, and Program Development aims to recognize the work of educators who have made significant contributions to educational leadership, service, and program development at Emory and beyond. Awardees may have demonstrated strengths in the following areas:

- Creation of novel medical education programs, which use unique teaching methods, curricula, or assessment tools.
- A proven record of excellence in teaching in the classroom, small group, and/or bedside settings
- Instrumental roles in medical education within the Department, School of Medicine, or regional or national organizations.
- Excellence in medical education research.
- Service in national or regional professional organizations for medical educators.

Nominees:

- Ashima Lal
- Maha Lund
- Oguchi Nwosu
- Lynn O'Neill
- Ryan Smith
- José Villalón-Gómez



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## Educational Leadership, Service, and Program Development

"I truly believe her leadership has led to Emory's PA's Program ranking in the top 5 PA programs nationally since she took on the Program Director role. She takes a detailed, data driven approach to directing the Emory PA Program and has sought to increase the PA student's PANCE scores and enhance their educational experience."

"She led an intense restructuring of the PA Programs approach to remediation for struggling PA learners; rebranded the CORE Success Program. This program was instrumental in ensuring every PA learner passes their board exam."

"She has led the Med Ed Day Planning committee for the past 3 years; providing opportunities to share advances in medical education with all of Emory University. Nationally, she has represented Emory University as one of 22 Commissioners for the ACR-PA; this commission makes accreditation decisions for PA programs nationally."

"I have seen firsthand her dedication to ensuring every Emory PA student has an opportunity to excel. She has consistently shown an openness to provide advice, or simply empathy, on any situation on which I approach her."



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# Educational Leadership, Service, & Program Development Award 2022

Måha Lund, DHSc, PA-C, DFAAPA



## Faculty Mentor in Education and Service

- The DFPM Awards for Faculty Mentoring will recognize excellence in mentoring of other faculty at Emory. Two awards will be given: one for mentoring in the realm of research and one for mentoring in the realm of education and service.
- Candidates must be nominated by a current or recent faculty mentee and the nomination should describe how the mentor helped the mentee achieve excellence in teaching (e.g. teaching awards, recommendations from trainees, achievement of teaching roles) OR describe how the mentor supported the mentee in engaging in service on intramural and extramural committees, community endeavors, clinical leadership roles, etc.

Nominees:

- Lawson Marcewicz
- Tammie Quest



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## Faculty Mentor in Education and Service

"He has a talent for making bedside teaching fun and relatable. I don't know many people who can reliably make talks about the chemoreceptor trigger zone or constipation so enjoyable. And when clinical work goes beyond the fun, he remains available despite his ever-busy schedule to answer my relentless questions, debrief a challenging encounter, and provide the space to cry. He has been an unparalleled advocate for my needs and clinical interests."

"He is an amazing palliative care physician, mentor, and person, and I cannot imagine going through fellowship and the transition to faculty without his constant guidance, humor, and support. I am, in so many ways, the physician I am today because of him and his ongoing commitment to my clinical education and personal growth."



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# Faculty Mentor in Education 2022

Lawson Marcewicz, MD



## Faculty Mentor in Research

- The DFPM Awards for Faculty Mentoring will recognize excellence in mentoring of other faculty at Emory. Two awards will be given: one for mentoring in the realm of research and one for mentoring in the realm of education and service.
- Candidates must be nominated by a current or recent faculty mentee and the nomination should describe how the mentor helped the mentee achieve excellence in teaching (e.g. teaching awards, recommendations from trainees, achievement of teaching roles) OR describe how the mentor supported the mentee in engaging in service on intramural and extramural committees, community endeavors, clinical leadership roles, etc.

Nominees:

- Dio Kavalieratos
- Ambar Kulshreshtha
- Miranda Moore



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## Faculty Mentor in Research

"He has been a constant advocate, teacher, and role model for his mentees striving to become better scientists. He is a scientist who holds the scientific method to the highest standard and role models excellent scientific rigor to all his mentees."

"He has made himself consistently available to help me grow into a clinician-investigator. He allows me the room to establish my own questions, fine-tune them, and develop strategies to answer them -- all the while intervening just enough to steer me in the right direction. I think this is excellent pedagogy and mentorship, and I am truly grateful for all that he does to advance the science of palliative care and train the next generation of researchers."



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## Faculty Mentoring in Research Award 2022

Dio Kavalieratos, PhD



### Stellar Service - Staff

- This award has been established by the Awards and Recognitions Committee of the department to recognize a staff member who has gone *above and beyond* the routine call of duty during the year. Successful nominees exhibit a high level of commitment, initiative, cooperation, and dedication in their job responsibilities. These nominees are dependable and trustworthy, instill in their coworkers a sense of responsibility and dedication to the university, and exemplify excellence and integrity in workplace relationships, interactions, and decisions.

Nominees:

Porsha Clayton

Emily Chuba

Ursula Robertson

Khaliya Ward

Yan Zhang



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### Stellar Service - Staff

"As we began to plan for the summer 2022 Emory Farmworker Project (EFP), we had no staff support for the project. She jumped in and agreed to work with the EFP leadership to support the project with the many details that are needed to run such a complicated logistical project. She did this in addition to her normal workload and without having seen a summer EFP. She ordered medications, vans, reserved hotel rooms, set up orientation zooms, collected signed documents from 200+ attendees. We would not have been able to serve more than 1200 patients this summer without her investment, support, commitment to the project and consistent "we can do this" spirit. Once we got to the clinics, it would have been easy to return to her normal job of running the business of the PA program, but she spent part of both weeks onsite at the clinics managing the patient waiting area and line. I am very grateful for her service to the PA program, our student learning experience (EFP is a highlight!), the patients we saw, the EFP leadership team, and our greater community. She did this because she was committed to the project and we are all so grateful to her and for her generous spirit."



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## Stellar Service Award 2022

Khaliala Ward, MBA



### Outstanding Career Achievement

This award has been established by the Awards and Recognitions Committee of the department to recognize a staff member who has provided, over 2 or more years of service to the division/program/department, consistent and sustained excellence, exceptional performance, and service. These nominees demonstrate integrity, teamwork, productivity, and customer service.

Nominees:

There was only one nominee in this category with 5 nominations



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### Outstanding Career Achievement

"She is the heart and soul of the Department of Family Medicine Diversity Equity and Inclusion Council. She is an integral part of the success of the council and DEI would not be as far in the Department without her."

"She has been one of the best managers in my career. She has always provided me with appropriate training to be successful in performing my job. Her guidance and support have been instrumental in helping me achieve my professional goals - understanding my job and what I do well enough to help me navigate through issues - she has always been a phone call away. She knows how to bring out the best not just in me; but in every member of our team - this is one of her strengths."

"She has always exemplified a high level of professionalism. She stands out among the rest. She is confident in her abilities, and extremely dependable. The department is lucky to have her."

"She is truly the heart and central nervous system of the Department of Family and Preventive Medicine. She has been instrumental in the tremendous growth that the department has gone through in the past five years. She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience about Emory and the department to work every day. If you ask any staff member in the department who is responsible for the "family" feeling amongst our staff, they will point to her."

"Her feedback sessions always come with an action plan for growth and she makes the time to check in on your progress along the way. She has a way of challenging you to move beyond your comfort zone, but she provides the safety of a lifeline. She always sets people up for success in any situation and facilitates an environment where you can learn."



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# Outstanding Career Achievement Award 2022

Patricia Woodard, MBA



## DEI Champion (faculty or staff)

- The DPFM award for Diversity & Inclusion recognizes DPFM faculty or staff who have made significant contributions to fostering a diverse and inclusive DPFM community by leveraging service, teaching, mentoring and research efforts in support of diversity and inclusion.
- Outstanding examples of contributions can include, but are not limited to:
  - Important administrative service to the Department in the area of diversity and inclusion
  - Activities designed to achieve a diverse workforce or body of trainees
  - Service to the community via public education programs or campaigns, volunteerism, or non-profit organizations
  - Exemplary clinical service to underserved populations, colleagues, or the general public
  - Educational efforts to prevent bias and promote inclusivity and social justice
  - Development of new or innovative programs to promote diversity and inclusion
  - Impactful research aimed at identifying and addressing health disparities or the medical needs of underserved populations
  - Efforts to eliminate health inequalities and improve health outcomes in disadvantaged and vulnerable populations.

### Nominees:

- Janelle Holder
- Ted Johnson



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## DEI Champion

“She is exceptionally committed to reducing disparities in serious illness care through educating providers at historically black medical schools.”

“She is emerging as a prominent and engaging speaker on the topics of racism and inequity and has been invited to give several highly lauded grand rounds on inequity entitled ‘A History of the Unethical Treatment of Black Americans: Considerations for Black Americans.’”

“She recently joined a workgroup to integrate palliative care at Emory with Morehouse SOM residents and students and is exceptionally committed to seeing this initiative grow, volunteering for all opportunities to support the project.”



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## DEI Champion 2022

Janelle Holder, MD



## Team-Based Award

- This award has been established by the Awards and Recognitions Committee of the department to recognize teams (of at least 3 members) of faculty and/or staff committed to a common purpose or goal towards advancing the mission and vision of the department and Emory School of Medicine.
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- Examples include but are not limited to:
  - Multidisciplinary teams created to tackle an important clinical problem (including more than one specialty)
  - A research team which has been created to engage with a specific topic
  - Clinical team charged with caring for a particular patient population
  - Administrative team charged with leadership and operations for a particular unit or program

### Nominees:

- Atlanta VA Palliative Care
- Family Medicine at Dunwoody – Team Nwosu
- Office of the Chair staff
- SHS Team and Arin Swerlick



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## Team-Based Award 2022

Atlanta VA  
Palliative Care Team

## Team-Based Award

- **Atlanta VA Palliative Care Team** Dr. Quest built a deep interdisciplinary team poised to care for the physical, spiritual, psychological, and social needs of veterans living with serious illness and their caregivers.
- this team now includes two NPs (Mr. Bill Roush and Lisa Hartman, DNP), one pharmacist (Faith Powell), one social worker (Sandra Bravo-Patino), one chaplain (Robert Brown), one psychologist (Jennifer Dean), one administrative team member (Shamorrow Johnson), and six physicians (Lawson Marcewicz, Laura Waddle, Kevin Li, Lynn O'Neill, Lauren Sigler, and Dr. Quest).
- Dr. Marcewicz is now leading the team into the (hopefully) post-COVID era, poised to provide greater access to palliative care through improved telehealth capabilities to serve our veterans across our catchment area and through ongoing high-quality palliative care to hospitalized veterans and their families.



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- Sara Turbow
- Patricia Woodard



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