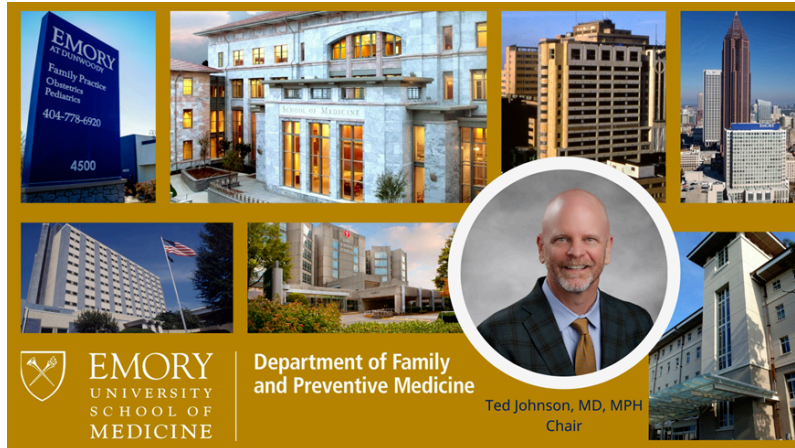


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55 Words from the Chair

Check out our department newsletter for an insider look at the exciting work our colleagues are doing in research, education, and service! You'll also find links to can't-miss lectures and conferences. Plus, nominations are open for our faculty and staff awards—don't miss your chance to celebrate yourself and your amazing teammates by October 28!



Send your good news and photos to
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subject line.

FPM Department Awards - Nominations Due Oct. 28

After a one-year hiatus, our department awards are back and better than ever! All DFPM faculty and staff are encouraged to nominate themselves and their colleagues.

- 9 Awards for Individual Faculty for achievement in service, teaching, research, and mentoring
- 8 Awards for Individual Staff and Staff Teams
- 2 Awards for Faculty and Staff

You'll find links to the award criteria, nomination forms, and past winners for each category [here](#). **Nominations are due Oct. 28.**

Self-nomination is allowed and encouraged, except for the faculty mentoring awards (a mentee must nominate the faculty mentor).

Welcome to the DFPM Family!



Carina Oltmann is excited to join Emory's Palliative Medicine Research Department as the Manager of Research Projects. Carina brings over twenty years of experience working clinically and as a researcher in the fields of palliative care, geriatrics and oncology. She holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts and a Master's of Science in Social Work from Columbia University. She is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in Palliative Care at Lancaster University, where her doctoral dissertation is focused on the grief and bereavement experiences of family surrogate decision-makers who have lost a family member in the critical care setting.

Carina has dedicated her career to palliative care, bridging clinical practice with rigorous investigation to increase equitable access to high-quality palliative care. She speaks nationally and internationally on topics such as optimizing support for surrogate decision-makers, increasing palliative care access and education for the Latinx community, and addressing the unique needs of those living with co-morbid serious persistent mental illness and life-threatening physical illness. Carina is widely published in palliative textbooks and peer-reviewed journals. She is on the editorial board of The Journal of Social Work in End of Life and Palliative Care. Carina is the co-founder of the World Hospice and Palliative Care Social Work Network and is deeply dedicated to the education and training of students and trainees in serious illness communication skills, psychosocial palliative care, and research methodology.

In her free time, Carina enjoys travel, long walks on the Beltline with her Cavalier, visits with her daughters who are away at college, and cooking with friends and family.

Carina is very much looking forward to supporting the work of the Emory Palliative Care Research Department, where she will manage research projects, support the clinical research coordinators, provide education and mentorship around research design and methodology, and assist with grant writing and management.

**Don't Miss
Opportunities!**



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TONIA POTEAT, PHD, MPH, PA-C

Professor in the Duke University School of Nursing, Co-Director of the Duke Sexual and Gender Minority Wellness Program, and Associate Director of the Duke Center for AIDS Research (CFAR) Developmental Core

**"The Road Less Traveled:
One PA's Career Journey in
Public Health and Research"**

Tuesday,
Oct. 22, 2024
3 p.m.

SOM 110



Register at
bit.ly/PoteatEmoryPA2024
or scan QR code

Register for "The Road Less Traveled"

WILLIAM T. BRANCH JR.
Innovations in Primary Care Lecture

**"The Hidden Cost of Social Inequities:
Addressing the Toll of Transphobia on Health"**



October 23, 2024,
6 - 7:30 p.m.

SOM 110 & Lobby

Tonia Poteat, PhD, MPH, PA-C

Register at
bit.ly/BranchLecture2024
or scan QR code

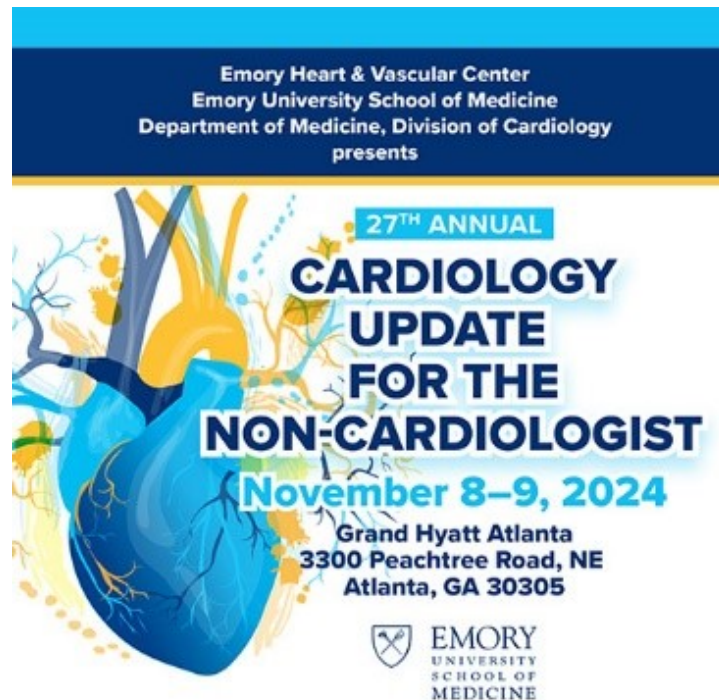


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Register for the "The Hidden Cost of Social Inequities"

**27th Annual Cardiology Update for the Non-
Cardiologist Nov. 8-9**



Target Audience includes Family Practice, General Practice, Internists, Physician Assistants,

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Credits Offered:

- ABIM MOC Points - 13.50
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6th Annual Diabetes Updates & Technology Symposium
Dec. 7, 2024



6th Annual Diabetes Update & Technology Symposium
Saturday, December 7
8 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Emory Conference Center Hotel
Cost: FREE
bit.ly/6thDiabetesSymposium
Register Now!



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CME credit: The Emory University School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 3.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™] or 3.75 contact hours by ENPDC upon completion of the activity evaluation and by participating in 90% of the activity time.

- Understanding Hepato-Cardio-Renal-Metabolic (HCRM) diseases
- Diabetes Technology Update & Interpretation
- CGM Workshop
- Type 1 Diabetes Management & CGM
- Implementation and overcoming barriers of CGM in primary care

For Physicians, PAs, NPs, Nurses, Dietitians, Pharmacists, and CDCES.

Register for the Diabetes Update and Technology Symposium

Transformative Research

Research News

Dr. Leslie Johnson served as a junior faculty supervisor for the 7th Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases Implementation Science School, a month-long intensive program for early-career researchers, facilitated by some of the field's most prominent global experts. Through lectures, small group sessions, facilitated group work, and panel discussions, trainees learn how to implement research findings into policy and practice, select and apply theories, models, and frameworks, and create a professional network for future collaborations. Dr. Johnson was also invited to speak alongside Dr. Enola Proctor for a plenary on implementation strategies and outcomes.





Dr. Ambar Kulshreshtha was the Keynote speaker for the Beyond Dementia Coalition meeting in Gainesville. His lecture was titled: *“Optimizing Brain Health: It’s never too late.”*





Dr. Sarah Cross, Dr. Dio Kavalieratos, and Dr. Ali John Zarrabi (*pictured above*) attended the National Palliative Care Research Center's Annual Foley Retreat on Serious Illness Research.

Dr. Zarrabi also presented a talk titled, "Characterizing Phenotypes of Distress in Outpatient Palliative Care."
(*Picture below*)



Dr. Jodie Guest received a R13 from NIMH to support the National LGBTQ Health Conference. Dr. Guest also

received the Emory Center for Faculty Development and Excellence Innovative Teaching (FIT) grant to support the creation of a research database for the **Emory Farmworker Project**.

In addition, Dr. Guest gave the September GSU Public Health ground rounds lecture entitled "Pandemic Reflections: Shaping the next era of epidemiology"



Dr. Sara Turbow and **Dr. Jodie Guest** are MPIs on a Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation President's grant to support the "Transforming Interprofessional Education Through Student Hotspotting" project that was created by Dr. Turbow.



Collaborative Publications

Dr. Mo Ali and **Dr. Rosette Chakkalakal** published [Risk of New-Onset Diabetes Before and During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Real-World Cohort Study.](#) and [Body mass](#)

[index changes and their association with SARS-CoV-2 infection: a real-world analysis.](#)

Dr. Sarah Cross, Dr. Jabeen Taj, and Dr. Dio Kavalieratos published [Racial Differences in Palliative Care Use in Heart Failure Decedents.](#)

Dr. Rebekka DePew, Dr. Ashima Lal, and Dr. Emily Pinto Taylor published [Navigating the Ethical Challenges of Clinical Decision-Making for Patients with Mental Illness Presenting with Self-Inflicted Burns](#)

Dr. Leslie Johnson and Dr. Mo Ali published [Trends in body mass index for people with and without HIV: Pooled analysis of nationally-representative health surveys from 10 countries and 173,800 adults in Africa.](#)

Dr. Jane Lowers and Dr. Dio Kavalieratos published [Symptoms and quality of life in adults with cystic fibrosis: A cross-sectional analysis of the InSPIRe:CF trial.](#)

Individual Faculty, Staff, and Learner Publications

Dr. Mo Ali

[Effectiveness of WhatsApp based debunking reminders on follow-up visit attendance for individuals with hypertension: a randomized controlled trial in India.](#)

[Individual-level determinants of breast and cervical cancer screening and early testing in two regionally representative urban Indian populations.](#)

[Short and Long-term Body Weight Change Following the Switch to or the Addition of Integrase Inhibitors in Persons with HIV Differs by Sex](#)

Dr. Nikhila Gandrakota

[The Influence of Obstructive Sleep Apnea on Post-Stroke Complications: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis](#)

Dr. Leslie Johnson

[Analyzing the roles, workflows, and communication dynamics of social workers within interprofessional care teams](#)

Dr. Richard Goodman

[COMMENTARY: Public Health and General Preventive Medicine: What's in a Name?](#)

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Educational Investments for our future



Dr. Jodie Guest joined Dr. Carlos del Rio, Lois Reitzes of WABE, Tomer Zvulun (CEO of The Atlanta Opera) and Eric Paul Leue (the VP of the Ponce Clinic) on a panel about The Atlanta Opera's Boheme Project (how pandemics affect the arts (TB, HIV and COVID)).

Service for our future





Dr. Tina-Ann Thompson presented "Design and Dissemination of a New Medicare Annual Wellness Visit" at the Society for Teachers of Family Medicine Conference on Practice Quality and Improvement in Denver, Sept. 15-17. **Dr. Sarah Dupont** collaborates with Dr. Thompson on this work.



Dr. Kennard Hood was the recipient of the Emory Healthcare Advanced Practice Providers (APP) Physician Champion Award which recognizes a physician who is a leader in promoting and implementing changes that benefit patients, physicians, APPs, and the clinical care team, whether through the optimization of APPs in team-based care or promoting independent APP practice. This physician performs many duties to reach the desired outcome, such as analyzing data, developing, implementing and/or supporting clinical initiatives that promote APP practice, as well as teaching and mentorship.



The Emory Farmworker Project will be holding our fall clinics in Bainbridge October 25-27, 2024. The fall clinics will be in Bainbridge, GA. Additionally, we have been in contact with our community partners in Valdosta and while they are all still without power (as of 10/3/24), they are all safe.

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