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The Office of *Community* and *Engagement*



2025–2026 Year-End *Report*

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The Office of Community and Engagement
Mission, Vision, Values

Mission and Vision of the Department of Medicine



The Department of Medicine's Mission
Advancing health through discovery, education, and care.

The Vision of the Department of Medicine
To become a destination academic community that promotes innovation in discovery, education, and health care.

The Values of the Department of Medicine
Integrity, Respect, Trust, Compassion, Innovation, Collaboration, Inclusion, Quality, Accountability, Excellence

We foster a culture that integrates leading-edge basic, translational, and clinical research to further the ability to deliver quality health care, to predict illness and treat the sick, and to promote the health of our patients and community.

About Us

What We Do

The Office of Community and Engagement works to:

- Support department members to allow them to thrive through community building activities
- Create a culture of inclusive excellence in which department members feel empowered and engaged to excel at work
- Foster a sense of belonging in the department and throughout the School of Medicine and the broader Emory community

Who We Are



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Health Equity Day



Health Equity Day (HED) is an annual department-wide event, hosted by the Department of Medicine's Office of Community and Engagement council, that aims to raise awareness and encourage action around the systemic health disparities that exist across racial, ethnic, cultural, and social groups. The event also recognizes interventions and research across the department centered on health equity.

Birthed during the thick of the pandemic, Health Equity Day was originally designed to be a fully virtual experience. Health Equity Day has evolved into a hybrid event, providing opportunities for audience members to participate in-person or virtually. Health Equity Day has become a staple event for the Department of Medicine and an impactful space for health equity scholarship within the Emory community. We look forward to its continued growth.

2026 Health Equity Day (cont.)

HEALTH EQUITY DAY
19 MAY 2026

On May 19, the Office of Community and Engagement hosted our sixth annual Department of Medicine Health Equity Day. This year's Health Equity Day was, once again, a hybrid format, with in-person components taking place at Grady Memorial Hospital's Trauma Auditorium and virtual components via Zoom. Check out the 2026 Health Equity Day Recap Video!



The event was well attended. We estimate that over 100 people participated over Zoom or in person! Nadia Hansel, MD, MPH, Director of the Department of Medicine, Physician-in-Chief, and William Osler Professor of Medicine at Johns Hopkins, gave this year's keynote lecture titled "Environmental and Socioeconomic Drivers of COPD Health Disparities". Dr. Hansel's areas of clinical expertise include chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and asthma. Her research focuses on understanding environmental determinants and sub-phenotypes of obstructive airway diseases. Her insightful presentation, which drew on her impressive clinical background and extensive research, is one to be remembered.

2026 Health Equity Day (cont.)

Six engaging featured presentations were given, and six awards were presented in various categories, including Outstanding Scientific Citation and five poster categories:

- Clinical Quality
- Education/Clinical Vignettes
- Research
- Professional Development
- Community, Advocacy, Policy

Check out the full 2026 Health Equity Day Abstract Book to see the list of featured presentations and accepted abstracts!





2025 DOM Virtual Visiting Mini-Clerkship

Each year, the DOM Community and Engagement Council within Emory's Department of Medicine hosts rising fourth-year medical students to apply for our DOM Virtual Visiting Student Mini-Clerkship. This two-week, non-graded virtual experience, which specifically targets students who intend to apply to and pursue a career in internal medicine (or an IM subspecialty) and have displayed a passion for health equity, exposes students to a thriving academic medical center and careers in medicine. Within the two-week program, students receive:

- A faculty mentor
- A resident mentor
- Exposure to educational activities at Emory in the Department of Medicine
- Virtual exposure to clinical sites at Emory
- An opportunity to meet with residency leaders in the J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program



2025 DOM Virtual Visiting Mini-Clerkship (cont.)

This year, we had **7 scholars representing 5 different medical schools** participate in the DOM Virtual Visiting Mini-Clerkship.

- Berlandson Saint Julien - Morehouse School of Medicine
- Prisca Mbonu - Anne Burnett Marion School of Medicine at TCU
- Matthew Corn - Mercer University School of Medicine
- Malichai Jordan - Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine-Georgia
- Somtochukwu Godwin-Offor - Medical College of Georgia
- Jeannel Miclat - Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Naomi Coles - Morehouse School of Medicine



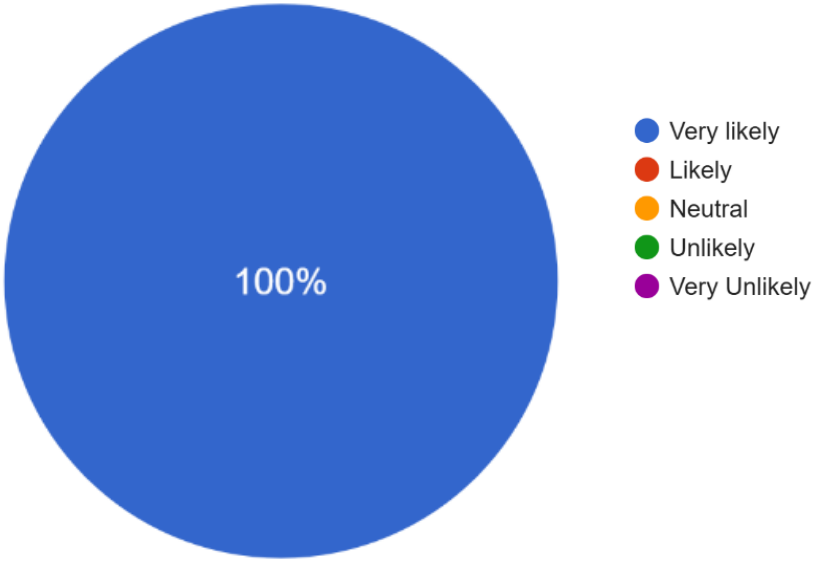
Program Success

The goal of the program is to recruit excellent candidates to our internal residency program who are deeply passionate about incorporating health equity into their practice and education. **Of our 7 scholars, we had 4 matches total to our J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program**, including one match to the Internal Medicine/Pediatrics residency program. We look forward to continuing this recruiting program and continuing to strengthen the reputation of the J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program amongst our peer medical schools.

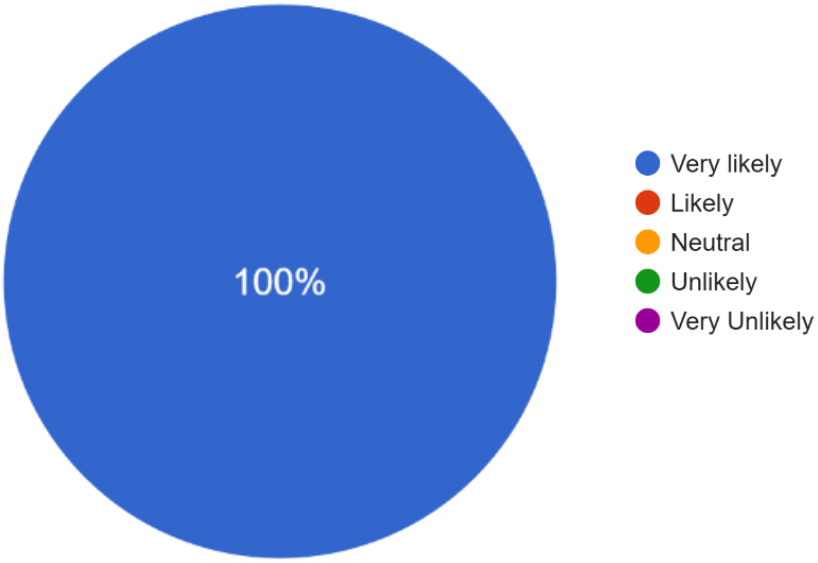
2025 DOM Virtual Visiting Mini-Clerkship (cont.)

Highlights from our 2025 Virtual Visiting Clerkship Evaluation Survey

How likely are you to recommend the DOM Virtual Visiting Mini-Clerkship to a peer? *(7 responses)*



Based on your experience with the DOM VVC, how likely are you to recommend the J. Willis Hurst Internal Medicine Residency Program to a peer? (7 responses)



2025 DOM Virtual Visiting Mini-Clerkship (cont.)

Thoughts from our 2025 Virtual Visiting Clerkship Alumni:

"It is truly a one-of-one experience… that offers an inside look at such an amazing internal medicine program. I have never seen another [program] like this that offers virtual access for convenience but is still able to provide so much information and foster such great connections."

"The virtual clerkship completed exceeded any expectations I had coming in. I am grateful for this opportunity. Please continue to provide this opportunity for perspective incoming residents!"

"…This is truly a program that I believe will change the trajectory of my career in medicine. I would expect to see an influx of applications…next year because the [DOM] VVC is way too good to not tell more people about."

"I am grateful for the opportunity to participate in this program. My time here truly exceeded all of my imaginations. I have learned so much more about the Emory IM Program and not just that, but about the community and culture at Emory. I would not have gained this knowledge without being in this program!"

DOMFAX 2025

The Department of Medicine Fellowship Applicant Experience (DOM FAX) is a multifaceted program designed for applicants to our ACGME-accredited subspecialty training programs. Each applicant is invited to DOM FAX, and attendance is optional. DOM FAX is 100% virtual, providing an opportunity for applicants near and far to participate. DOM FAX is open to all who apply to a DOM fellowship program.



Participants have the opportunity to:

- learn more about our subspecialty programs.
- interact with program coordinators and current fellows.
- ask program-specific questions.
- have small group time with other applicants and current fellows.

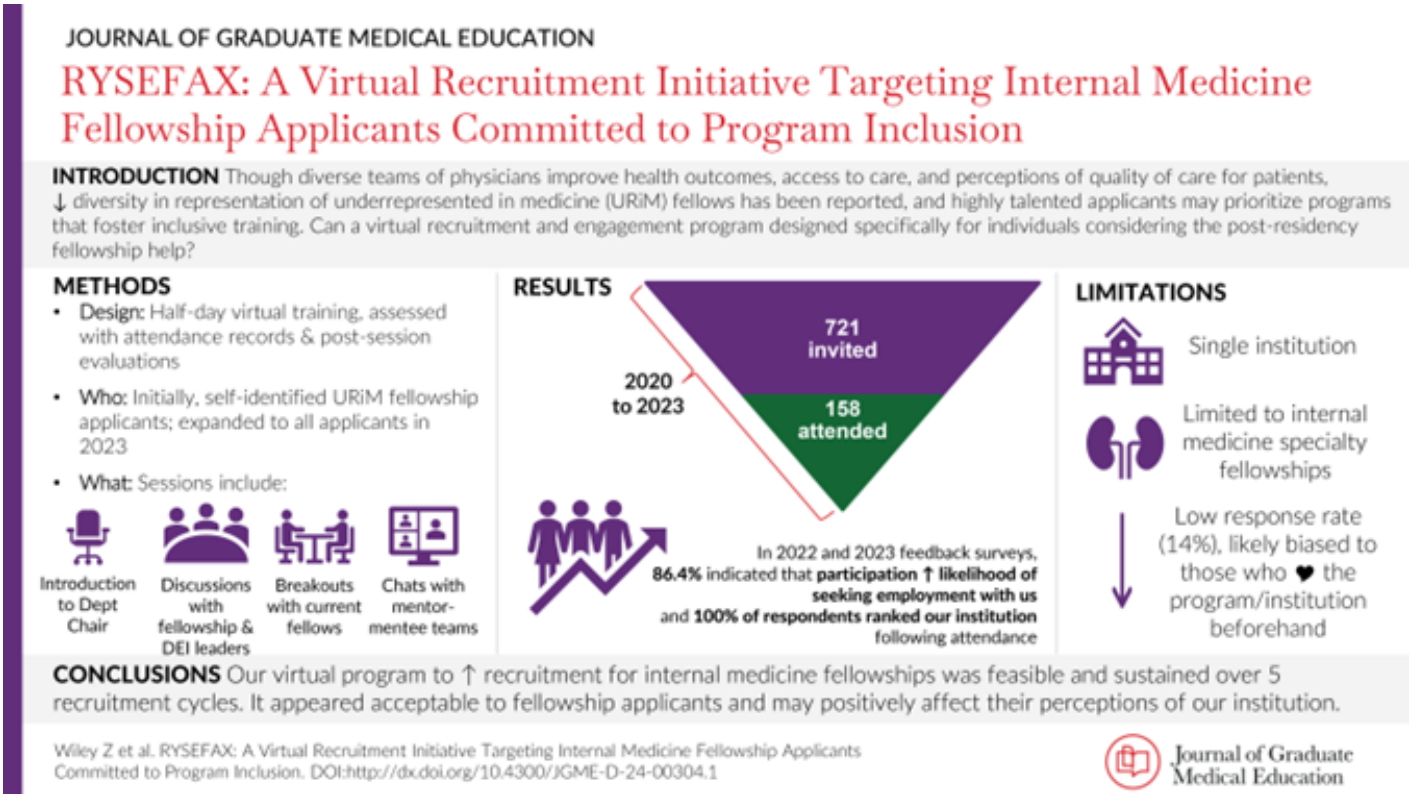
Attendees hear what makes each program uniquely special and what makes Emory the ideal place for subspecialty training. Earlier this year, a manuscript on DOMFAX (under its previous name) was published in the Journal of Graduate Medical Education highlighting the program's effectiveness in recruiting amazing talent to our fellowship programs. We look forward to future cohorts.

DOMFAX 2025 *(cont.)*

About the DOMFAX (formerly RYSEFAX) publication

Zanthia Wiley, MD; Jada Bussey-Jones, MD; Jason Cobb, MD; Mary Ann Kirkconnell Hall, MPH; and Kimberly D. Manning, MD were published in the Journal of Graduate Medical Education for their article titled "RYSEFAX: A Virtual Recruitment Initiative Targeting Internal Medicine Fellowship Applicants Committed to Program Inclusion".

The article highlights the successes of the RYSEFAX program over the program's first four years. RYSEFAX was created as a means to provide accessible engagement opportunities to program applicants in an effort to increase recruitment to our subspecialty medical fellowship programs. This multidisciplinary effort exemplifies the collaborative spirit of our department and includes contributions from ID, nephrology, general medicine, and hospital medicine. View the full article here.



Next2Medicine

NEXT2Medicine is a pathway initiative, in collaboration with the Department of Medicine and Tuskegee University, that offers mentoring and professional development for undergraduate students who are aspiring physicians. This longitudinal program includes virtual programming and engagement with Emory faculty, trainees, and medical students.



Next2Medicine *(cont.)*

2025-2026 Program Highlights

Next academic year, two Tuskegee graduates will matriculate at Emory University School of Medicine. Next2Medicine is designed to mentor and prepare aspiring physicians, as well as to broaden Emory's reach and create a pipeline of excellent scholars who are recruited to our medical school.







Match Day 2026

One Next2Medicine scholar joined Dr. Manning this year at Match Day, giving them a firsthand experience of what their future may hold as a prospective medical student. Next2Medicine hosts experiences to promote interest in and accessibility to Emory School of Medicine.