

# HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH CENTER

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## Message From the HSR Center Director

Our Health Services Research Center of the Emory University School of Medicine Department of Medicine and Department of Surgery is pleased to announce that **Dr. Neal Dickert, MD, PhD** (Associate Professor, Department of Medicine) and **Dr. Raymond Lynch, MD** (Associate Professor, Department of Surgery) will be the **new Associate Directors of the Health Services Research Center**, starting April 1, 2022. Our search committee interviewed several highly qualified applicants and we are looking forward to Drs. Lynch and Dickert joining our leadership team to advance our Center's mission of increasing healthcare access, quality, value, and outcomes of all patients and populations through scientific inquiry and innovative solutions. Both Dr. Lynch and Dr. Dickert have developed a research portfolio within health services research and have a successful history of scholarship, teaching, and mentorship.



Dr. Lynch joins us from the Department of Surgery, Division of Transplantation, where he specializes in liver and kidney transplantation. His health services research interests include resource utilization and outcomes analysis in transplantation, where he is dedicated to improving the distribution of grafts to patients with organ failure. Dr. Lynch's work has been used as a basis for new government metrics on deceased donor procurement, and his research and advocacy efforts have been instrumental in bringing focus to barriers in access to transplantation for patients in poor, rural and medically underserved populations.



Dr. Dickert joins us from the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, where his clinical work focuses on cardiac intensive care. His research focuses on ethics and decision science, as well as ethical aspects of clinical research. He has current research projects studying the impact of disclosure of out-of-pocket cost information on decision-making, evaluating the impact of recent policy-mandated implementation of shared decision-making tools, and developing and evaluating innovative approaches to informed consent. As Director of the Georgia CTSA Recruitment Center, Dr. Dickert also works to advance integration of clinical research and clinical care across the Emory community.

We look forward to collaborating with these impressive investigators continuing the next round of strategic planning for our Health Services Research Center.



**Health Services Research Center**  
Department of Medicine  
and Department of Surgery

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## RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT

### **Theresa Gillespie, PhD, MA, FAAN**

Professor, Department of Surgery, Emory University School of Medicine

Clinical Associate, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, Emory University

Professor, Division of Hematology-Oncology, Department of Medicine and Primary Care, and Division of Research, Atlanta Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Associate Director, Community Outreach and Engagement, Winship Cancer Institute



Dr. Gillespie's research involves multiple cancer types, encompassing clinical, health services, and population-based investigations. Her breast, colorectal, and prostate cancer studies have focused on informed decision-making, measurement of quality and guideline concordant care, cancer disparities, risk communications, and the intersection of technology, patient comprehension, and outcomes. She developed and led the clinical trials programs at Winship Cancer Institute for 14 years, conducting prospective therapeutic and cancer control studies. Dr. Gillespie served as the Director of Health Services Research at the Atlanta VA Medical for 10 years. In this position, she built and directed a program that targeted chronic conditions to investigate key outcomes such as mortality, morbidity, health-related quality of life, and costs.

Dr. Gillespie was recently awarded Emory School of Medicine's new Imagine, Innovate, and Impact (I3) WOW! Research Award to develop a cross-cutting disparities research initiative across different diseases/conditions University-wide from the School of Medicine that will ultimately unify health disparities research at Emory. Some of her latest projects include a study to develop and evaluate a curriculum to train communities to use Big Data to assess cancer priorities and reduce the cancer burden in their communities with a National Cancer Institute R25 award and a study using implementation science and the RE-AIM model to promote and measure uptake of HPV vaccine among people living with HIV aged 26-45 in rural and urban underserved areas across Georgia with an R01 award, led by mentee Dr. Jessica Wells of the School of Nursing.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 8th Annual Health Services Research Day

The Georgia CTSA and Emory Health Services Research Center

Wed | 05/04/2022 | Emory School of Medicine Building, Auditorium 110

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

For more information including the agenda, visit the Georgia CTSA website [here](#). Register for this event [here](#).

#### Keynote Speaker



**Elizabeth McGlynn, PhD**  
Professor of Health Science  
Systems Executive Director, Center  
for Effectiveness and Safety  
Research Vice President, Kaiser  
Permanente Research

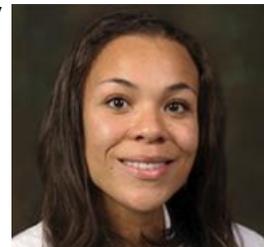
#### Featured Speakers

**Sheree Boulet, DrPH**  
Assistant Professor  
Division of Research, Department of  
Gynecology and Obstetrics



**Alanna Morris, MD, MsC, FHSA,  
FACC, FAHA**

Director of Heart Failure Research  
Associate Professor of Medicine,  
Division of Cardiology  
Emory University Clinical  
Cardiovascular Research Institute



**Janani Rajbhandari-Thapa, PhD**  
Associate Professor of Health Policy  
and Management  
Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion  
Director of Economic Evaluation  
Research Group  
University of Georgia



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Health Services Research & Development Cyberseminars

U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs

The Health Services Research & Development division of the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs has a plethora cyberseminars every month. Click [here](#) to view upcoming and past sessions. Below are some upcoming seminars.

**Monday, April 04, 1:00pm - 2:00pm ET**

VIReC Database and Methods Seminar

"Assessing Race and Ethnicity in VA Data"

by Maria Mor, PhD

Register [here](#)

**Tuesday, April 12, 3:00pm - 4:00pm ET**

VIReC CMS Data Mini-Series

"Medicare Data in the OMOP Common Data Model"

by Kristin de Groot, MPH

Register [here](#)

**Wednesday, April 20, 12:00pm - 1:00pm ET**

VHA Primary Care Analytics Team

"Electronic Triggers to Monitor Patient Safety in Primary Care"

by Scott Hagan, PhD

Register [here](#)

**Monday, May 02, 12:00pm-1:00pm ET**

Advanced Qualitative Methods hosted by the Qualitative Methods Learning Collaborative

"Building a Community of Practice around Virtual Qualitative Methods"

by Karen Albright, PhD ; Jane Moeckli, PhD ; Cristina Ortiz, PhD ; Ana-Monica Racila, PhD

Register [here](#).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 2022 Health Datapalooza and National Health Policy

#### Conference

AcademyHealth

**Monday, April 4 - Tuesday, April 5, 2022 | Crystal Gateway Marriott | Arlington, VA**

The joint Health Datapalooza and National Health Policy Conference harnesses and strengthens the synergies that exist between the data and policy worlds and offers innovative solutions to directly confront the challenges, opportunities, and threats facing U.S. health care. Originally two independent events, the Health Datapalooza and the National Health Policy Conference (NHPC) were first presented jointly in 2020. The combined event established and reinforced the professional connection that exists between the health data and health policy communities.

The co-location continues to create exciting, potential synergies between each event. Co-locating NHPC with the Health Datapalooza recognizes that health data innovation is now an integral part of all efforts to transform health care and will benefit from bringing new voices and perspectives from the policy world into the broader community of Health Datapalooza. Co-location also recognizes the Health Datapalooza's traditional emphasis on the ways federal and state policy and regulatory bodies generate, hold, use, govern and release data.

As a registrant of either event, you will be able to move freely between each event (if you choose) - picking and choosing relevant sessions to attend.

Those unable to attend in-person can join a virtual option that includes live streaming for all plenaries and 12 virtual break-out sessions. Virtual content will be available to all registrants for 30 days post event.

Event details and registration can be found [here](#).



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### The Population Association of America Annual Meeting

**Wednesday, April 6 - Saturday, April 9, 2022 | Atlanta, GA + online**

The Population Association of America's annual meeting is the premier conference of demographers and social and health scientists from the United States and abroad. Here demographers at all career stages are afforded the opportunity to present their research in oral and poster sessions, hear others' findings, and network with their peers.

The PAA Annual Meeting is for anyone with professional interests in population research or the application of the knowledge generated through scientific study

- Demographers
- Sociologists
- Economists
- Public Health Professionals
- Students
- Policymakers and Media

For more information about this event, check out the website [here](#).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Emory Open School Institute for Healthcare Improvement Case Competition

Calling all graduate students! Tackle a real-world healthcare problem with a chance to win some serious cash. The inaugural IHI case competition will challenge graduate students from across campus to think critically and present innovative solutions. Students can sign-up as a pre-formed team or can sign up as an individual for placement on a team. More than two graduate schools must be represented per team. Cash pool prize of \$7500.

Click [here](#) to check out the website and learn more.

Start date: April 6, 2022

Final Presentations: April 20, 2022

If you have any questions, e-mail [Julie.mara.shabto@emory.edu](mailto:Julie.mara.shabto@emory.edu) or [katharine.nianhua.woo.rainer@emory.edu](mailto:katharine.nianhua.woo.rainer@emory.edu)

JOIN US FOR THE INAUGURAL

# EMORY INSTITUTE FOR HEALTHCARE IMPROVEMENT CASE COMPETITION

Participate in a multi-disciplinary competition that allows graduate students to develop solutions for improving access to care and healthcare equity in our community

**START DATE: APRIL 6, 2022**  
**FINAL PRESENTATIONS: APRIL 20**

Free to participate  
Teams must be 4-6 students  
and represent more than two  
graduate programs

Cash prize pool of \$7,500

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 20th Annual William C. Wood Research Symposium

**Thurs | 04/14/2022 | 7:00AM - 11:30AM ET**

The 20th Annual William C. Wood Research Symposium will showcase the basic and clinical science research of the Emory Department of Surgery's students, residents, and both clinical and post-doctoral fellows. First and second place cash awards will be given for best oral presentations and posters in both clinical science and basic science categories. *The format of this event is yet to be determined.*

The keynote address will be delivered by Allan D. Kirk, MD, PhD, who is the David C. Sabiston, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Surgery; Chair, Department of Surgery; Professor of Surgery; Professor in Pediatrics; and Professor in the Department of Immunology at Duke University School of Medicine. In addition to his clinical transplant practice, Dr. Kirk has published over 300 scientific manuscripts, and continues NIH, DoD, and FDA-sponsored investigations in organ transplantation and immune management. Prior to Duke, he served as Vice Chair for Surgical Research at Emory from 2007-2014.



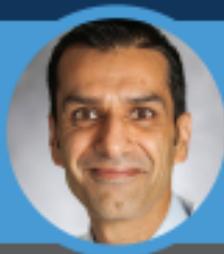
**Allan D. Kirk, MD, PhD**

**Click [here](#) to learn more about this event .**



GEORGIA CENTER FOR DIABETES TRANSLATION  
RESEARCH SEMINAR SERIES PRESENTS

# INVESTIGATING AND ADDRESSING DIABETES AND HEALTH EQUITY THROUGH DATABASES AND IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE



## Mohammed K. Ali, MD, MSc, MBA

Co-Director, Emory Global Diabetes Research Center; Vice Chair of Research and Professor, Department of Family & Preventive Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine; Professor, Departments of Global Health and Epidemiology, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University

## Rachel E. Patzer, PhD, MPH

Director, Health Services Research Center, Emory University School of Medicine; Professor, Department of Surgery, Emory University School of Medicine; Professor, Department of Epidemiology, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University



Join us for our next seminar series presentation hosted by the Design and Evaluation for Equity Core, featuring a talk by Core Directors, Drs. Mohammed K. Ali and Rachel E. Patzer.

In this talk, they will provide an overview of trends in diabetes prevalence, morbidity, and mortality as well as trends in efforts to address diabetes such as utilization of preventive services and treatments. They will demonstrate how national and state data can be used to explore and highlight key inequities, particularly in ER and inpatient health service use. They will also showcase ongoing approaches to address health inequities at various levels through implementation science. They will conclude by describing the resources and opportunities available at the GCDTR, specifically data and expertise that are accessible through the Core relevant to both the design and evaluation of diabetes research studies.

Monday,  
April 18, 2022



12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

[tinyurl.com/gcdtr-seminar-series](http://tinyurl.com/gcdtr-seminar-series)



Online  
Registration



Georgia Center *for*  
Diabetes Translation  
Research

GCDTR is a collaboration of Emory University, Georgia Tech, and Morehouse School of Medicine, with funding provided by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) under grant number P30DK111024.

For more information on GCDTR and our efforts to facilitate and grow diabetes translation research, please visit us Online at <http://gcdtr.org>.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 2022 Health Equity DataJam

AcademyHealth

The 2022 Health Equity DataJam invites teams to leverage data from healthdata.gov and other publicly available datasets to propose unique solutions or visualizations at the juncture of health equity and the social determinants of health. HHS provides the data sets and challenge questions, and AcademyHealth will convene an evaluation panel to review submissions and recognize the best solutions. Winners will have the opportunity to share their solutions at an AcademyHealth webinar.

Participants can choose from one of the following four challenge tracks to be the focus of their proposed solution:

1. Access to Care
2. COVID-19 and Health Equity
3. Kidney Care and Health Equity
4. Lyme Innovation and Health Equity

Timeline:

- **March 10 - April 24, 2022: Challenge opens and AcademyHealth will be accepting submissions on a rolling basis**
- April 26 - 29, 2022: Judges evaluate submissions
- May 5, 2022: Winners are publicly recognized

Three (3) winners will be publicly recognized and will have the chance to present their solutions at an AcademyHealth-hosted webinar. All entries that meet submission requirements will receive a certificate acknowledging their participation in the challenge

To submit a solution, please fill out all required fields of this [submission form](#) by 5pm EST on Sunday, April 24th. Learn more about the event [here](#).

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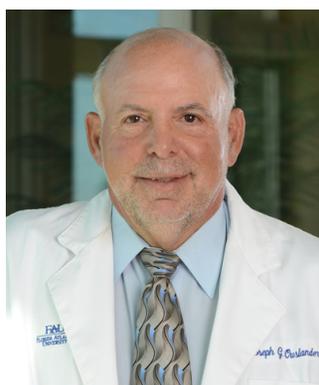
### 12th Annual Bettye Rose Connell Memorial Lecture Series: Keys to Successful Aging

**Tues | 04/26/2022 | 6:30PM ET | Claudia Nance Rollins Building 8th Floor,  
Klamon Room at Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University**

The 12th Annual Bettye Rose Connell Memorial Lecture, sponsored by the Emory University School of Medicine, Emory Center for Health in Aging, and US Department of Veterans Affairs Center for Visual & Neurocognitive Rehabilitation will take place Tuesday, April 26. The annual event aims to foster collaboration in scientific and clinical rehabilitation in environment, aging, and dementia.

Speaker:

**Joseph G Ouslander, MD**



Dr. Ouslander is Professor of Geriatric Medicine at the Schmidt College of Medicine and a graduate of Johns Hopkins University and Case Western Reserve School of Medicine. He is the Executive Editor of the Journal of the American Geriatrics and is on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Nursing Home Five-Star Expert Panel and on the Federal Gerontology and Geriatrics Advisory Committee for the Veterans Administration. Dr. Ouslander has published more than 200 original articles and book chapters, is a co-author of Essentials of Clinical Geriatrics, and an editor of two major textbooks in Geriatrics, Principles of Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology and Nursing Home Care.

Register [here](#).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Clinical Research Bootcamp 301

Emory University School of Medicine

**Thurs | 05/22/2022 | 8:00AM - 4PM ET**

The Clinical Research Bootcamp started in 2014 as a full-day workshop is designed to provide faculty with a comprehensive overview of the major components involved in clinical research. There are now three bootcamp levels, 101, 201 and 301, each digging deeper into clinical research.

CRB 301 rounds out the series with a full day statistics workshop. Upon completion of this course, participants should be able to:

1. Describe basic statistical concepts,
2. Import datasets from Excel into the R statistical software package,
3. Choose and perform basic tests for comparing continuous variables and proportions [e.g., t-test, chi square, Fisher exact test, etc.],
4. List resources at Emory for biostatistical assistance and prepare datasets for smoother interfacing with those resources

Clinical Research Bootcamp 301 will be held on April 22, 2022 in the School of Medicine Building. For more information and to register, please click [here](#).



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NIMHD Director's Seminar Series

Early Life Factors Underlying the Dementia Epidemic Among Older Black Americans

Wed | 05/04/2022 | 2:00PM - 3:30PM ET

**Speaker:**

**Mark Hayward, PhD**

Professor of Sociology  
Centennial Commission Professor in the Liberal  
Arts  
Faculty Research Associate of the Population  
Research Center  
University of Texas at Austin



All presentation can be viewed live or later through the [NIH videocast](#).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Health Equity Day

Emory Department of Medicine

**Tues | 5/17/2022 | 9AM - 2PM | Virtual**

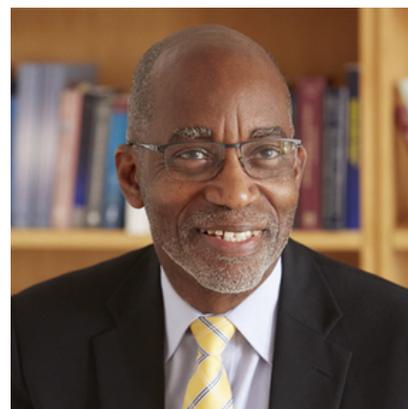
This half-day conference aims to raise awareness and encourage action around the systemic health disparities that exist across racial, ethnic, cultural, and social groups, while also recognizing interventions and research across the department centered on health equity and advanced by our community members who have been historically underrepresented in medicine.

The conference includes 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.**

#### Keynote Speaker:

#### David R. Williams, PhD

Florence Sprague Norman and Laura Smart  
Norman Professor of Public Health  
Chair of the Department of Social and  
Behavioral Sciences  
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health



For more information about this half-day conference and registration details, click [here](#).

For questions about Health Equity Day, please [contact the RYSE team](#).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Society for Epidemiological Research Annual Meeting

**Wednesday, June 15 - Friday, June 17, 2022 | Chicago, Illinois**

Join the Society for Epidemiologic Research (SER) for the Annual Meeting June 15-17, 2022, in Chicago, Illinois.

Discounted conference registration rates are available through May 13, 2022. This includes discounts for SER members and an additional discount, from normal SER meetings, for Student and Early Career attendees. All attendees are encouraged to register early to ensure they receive the discounted rates!

Activities include:

- professional development sessions
- symposium sessions

Visit the conference website [here](#) for conference details.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 2022 AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting

**Saturday, June 4 - Tuesday, June 7, 2022 | Walter E. Washington Convention Center | Washington, DC**

Meet us at the Intersection of Health, Health Care, and Policy. Join us at the AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting to experience what thousands of attendees have come to expect and anticipate annually – new research, innovative methods, and robust discussions about the impact of health services research on health policy and practice. The in-person 2022 ARM will convene the foremost experts at the intersection of health, health care, and policy to share important findings and showcase the latest research on how the health system works, what it costs, and how to improve it. This will be a vaccine-required event.

#### 2022 Annual Research Meeting (Virtual Component June 4-7)

Though the Annual Research Meeting will be primarily held in-person this year, we are offering a subset of content virtually. Registrants for the virtual component of the meeting will gain streaming access to all conference plenaries and 1/3 of our breakout sessions. Virtual content will be available for 30 days post event.

- Early Registration Deadline: **Monday, April 25, 2022**
- Standard Registration Deadline: **Friday, June 3, 2022**

For event and registration details, click [here](#).

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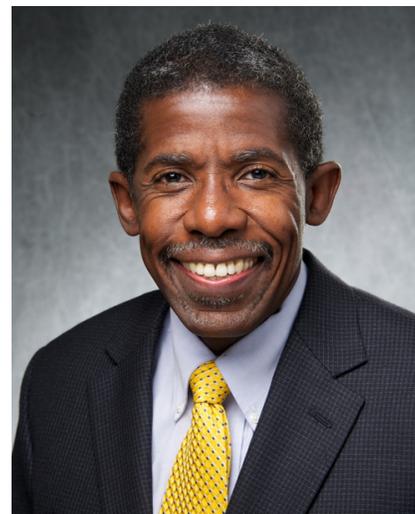
## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Save the Date: Emory Department of Medicine Annual Research Day

Thurs | 10/27/2022 | 8AM - 5PM ET | Emory Student Center

The annual Department of Medicine Research Day has celebrated research efforts across the department since 2008. The event brings together researchers from all divisions and provides an opportunity to share exciting new findings, facilitate scientific exchange, and identify potential new collaborations.

This year's event will include featured research talks from Emory faculty, both oral and poster presentations, as well as a keynote address from E. Dale Abel, MD, PhD, William S. Adams Distinguished Professor of Medicine, and chair and executive medical director of the Department of Medicine at the David Geffen School of Medicine and UCLA Health. Dr. Abel has had a distinguished career in endocrine and metabolism research. His pioneering work on glucose transport and mitochondrial metabolism in the heart guides his current



research interests: molecular mechanisms responsible for cardiovascular complications of diabetes. Recent work has focused on mitochondrial mechanisms that mediate inter-organ crosstalk that may influence the pathophysiology of insulin resistance and mitochondrial pathways linking metabolism with increased risk for atherothrombosis.

**Abstract submission and event registration will open shortly.** For questions about Research Day, please contact Sarah McClellan.

Visit the Emory DOM website [here](#) for updates.

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## WEBINARS

### Emory School of Medicine Grand Rounds

**School of Medicine Grand Rounds occur every Tuesday from 12PM - 1PM.**

Grand Rounds are offered in the Emory University Hospital Auditorium (2E) from September through June. We encourage faculty from all divisions, residents, fellows, and medical students to attend. Each presentation is followed by a brief Q&A session.

Medicine Grand Rounds presentations are broadcast to several Emory sites around Atlanta.

- Decatur Clinic
- Emory Clinic at 1525 Clifton Road, 4th Floor Conference Room #477
- Emory Johns Creek Hospital, Administration Boardroom
- Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital, Saint Joseph's Hospital Auditorium
- Emory University Hospital Midtown, Davis-Fischer Classroom 3
- Grady, Faculty Office Building, 101
- Grady, Ponce De Leon Center Room #354
- Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 6th floor Corner Conference Room

Subscribe to the Grand Round mailing list here:

<https://med.emory.edu/departments/medicine/education/cme-grand-rounds.html>

Archived session can be viewed [here](#).

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## WEBINARS

### Department of Surgery Grand Rounds

**Surgical Grand Rounds occur every Thursday from 7AM - 8AM.**

Surgical Grand Rounds are held on Thursday mornings in the Emory University Hospital Auditorium, with the option to attend and participate virtually via Zoom. The EUH Auditorium is located on the 2nd floor of the hospital, E-Wing, Room E205.

To be added to the email list for the monthly grand rounds schedules, contact Sean Moore, Communications Manager for the Department of Surgery, at [srmoore@emory.edu](mailto:srmoore@emory.edu). CME credits are given for documented attendance.

**April 7, 2022**

**Surgical Grand Rounds Canceled**

Spring Break Week

**April 14, 2022**

**20th Annual William C. Wood Research Symposium, Keynote Lecture:  
Future of Surgery**

Presented by Allan D. Kirk, MD, PhD

**April 21, 2022**

**21st Annual Gerald Zwiren Lectureship in Pediatric Surgery:  
Surgeons as Leaders - Difficulties, Opportunities, and Paradigms**

Presented by Daniel J. Ostlie, MD

**April 28, 2022**

**Topic TBC**

Presented by Yazan Duwayri, MD

Information on upcoming Surgical Grand Rounds can be found [here](#).

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## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - Evidence for Action: Innovative Research to Advance Racial Equity**

Evidence for Action prioritizes research to evaluate specific interventions (e.g., policies, programs, practices) that have the potential to counteract the harms of structural and systemic racism and improve health, well-being, and equity outcomes. We are concerned both with the direct impacts of structural racism on the health and well-being of people and communities of color (e.g., Black, Latina/o/x, Indigenous, Asian, Pacific Islander people, and other races and ethnicities)—as well as the ways in which racism intersects with other forms of marginalization, such as having low income, being an immigrant, having a disability, or identifying as LGBTQ+ or a gender minority.

This funding is focused on studies about upstream causes of health inequities, such as the systems, structures, laws, policies, norms, and practices that determine the distribution of resources and opportunities, which in turn influence individuals' options and behaviors. Research should center on the needs and experiences of communities exhibiting the greatest health burdens and be motivated by real-world priorities. It should be able to inform a specific course of action and/or establish beneficial practices, not stop at characterizing or documenting the extent of a problem.

While they will consider research on various aspects of health equity, they prioritize studies of interventions that are designed to reduce race-based disparities (e.g., by confronting a root cause of disparities or targeting benefits to those experiencing the greatest burdens). RWJF is particularly interested in strategies focused on developing healthy and equitable communities; supporting the needs of children, families, and caregivers; and fostering alignment among health care, public health, and social service systems.

**Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.**

Please contact your RAS unit and Nicole Dancz ([nicole.dancz@emory.edu](mailto:nicole.dancz@emory.edu)) to inform them of your intent to submit.

**For more information and how to apply, please visit the [website here](#).**

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### Pediatric Research Alliance Pilots

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Emory University offer pilot grants for faculty and centers in the Pediatric Research Alliance. These pilots are designed to stimulate new research projects, build new collaborations, and increase extramural funding for pediatric research.

Prioritized areas of research: Big Data, Cellular Therapies, Health Services Research, Therapeutic Innovation, Pediatric Technologies

**PURPOSE:** To stimulate new research projects, build new collaborations, and increase extramural funding for pediatric research. Proposals should be aimed towards generating preliminary data for subsequent extramural grant applications.

**TYPES & AMOUNTS:** Three types of awards are available:

- Type 1: Junior Faculty Focused (JFF) Award - \$50,000 per award
- Type 2: Center Award - \$50,000 per award
- Type 3: Program Planning Pilot (P\*3) Awards - up to \$100,000 per award
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**PROJECT PERIOD:** October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023

Deadlines for all award types:

- LOI deadline: **April 15, 6pm ET**
- Full proposal deadline: July 1, 6pm ET

More information can be found [here](#). The RFA can be found [here](#).



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### American Association of Public Health Annual Meeting & Expo

The American Public Health Association is now accepting abstracts for oral and poster presentations for the 150th Annual Meeting and Expo in Boston, Nov. 6-9, 2022. Authors are encouraged to submit abstracts on the meeting theme — "150 Years of Creating the Healthiest Nation: Leading the Path Toward Equity" — and current and emerging public health issues.

For 2022, APHA is using Hubb as our new abstract submission system. You can log in with your current APHA account (members and non-members) or create a new account if you have no previous account with APHA.

APHA 2022 will be an in-person meeting.

For general presenter questions, please email [presenters@apha.org](mailto:presenters@apha.org).

Review the Call for Abstracts for each [APHA member group](#). Once you determine where your abstract best fits, follow the link to the online submission form.

#### 2022 Timeline and Deadlines:

- **April 30: Abstract submission deadline - 11:59 PM (PDT)**
- **June 27:** Abstract status notification email sent to all submitters.
- **Nov. 5:** APHA 2022 Pre-Meeting Sessions and Events
- **Nov. 6 - 9:** APHA 2022 Annual Meeting and Expo in Boston, MA

For more information, click [here](#).



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## GRANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Apply Now: Conference Grants Focused on Advancing Health Services Research from AHRQ

AHRQ is accepting applications from organizations or individuals seeking funds to sponsor conferences to advance health service research. Applications may focus on research development; research design and methodology; dissemination and implementation; and research training, infrastructure and career development.

AHRQ is especially interested in supporting conferences that demonstrate strategies that include plans for disseminating complementary conference materials and products beyond the participants attending the event. Regionally-based conferences are acceptable with the expectation that plans will be developed for national dissemination. Such strategies might include, but are not limited to, submitting articles for publication, posting information on a website, and seeking formal opportunities to discuss conference information with others.

The agency invites applications from eligible public or nonprofit private colleges or universities, including minority-serving institutions of higher education, or individuals with the knowledge and resources to carry out research as program directors or principal investigators. Applicants from historically Black colleges and universities, Hispanic-serving institutions, Asian-American Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions and Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities are also strongly encouraged to apply.

Click [here](#) to view the announcement in the AHRQ website.

Click [here](#) to access the Notice of Funding Opportunity.

For questions, email [R13conf@ahrq.hhs.gov](mailto:R13conf@ahrq.hhs.gov).



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## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

### **Applications Open: Michael Zinner Health Services Research Fellowship Program**

The goal of the Surgical Outcomes Club (SOC) Michael Zinner Health Services Research Fellowship Program is to provide an avenue for junior surgical investigators to acquire the skills, knowledge, and network needed to develop, execute, and publish research studies in the field of surgical outcomes and health services research under the guidance of a high-quality experienced mentor.

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- One year fellowship for trainees and junior faculty
- Up to 4 fellows accepted each year
- Fellows are matched with an established SOC Member who will serve as their mentor and consultant
- Fellows will develop and execute a project under the guidance of their mentor
- The research fellowship program is of no cost to the participants

#### **WHO MAY APPLY**

- Members of the Surgical Outcomes Club that are interested in pursuing surgical outcomes and health services research may apply to this fellowship.

**Application closes Tuesday, May 31**

Visit the Surgical Outcomes Club website [here](#) for application details.

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## RESEARCH RESOURCES

### Advancing Collaborative Biostatistics at Emory (ACBE)

Are you interested in joining an informal community for collaborative biostatisticians/data analysts to share ideas, information, and advice and to facilitate professional development? If so, please complete this interest form to join Advancing Collaborative Biostatistics at Emory (ACBE) [here](#). ACBE meets monthly on the third Thursday at noon via Zoom and we would love to have you join us! Contact Christina Mehta ([christina.mehta@emory.edu](mailto:christina.mehta@emory.edu)) for more information.

### Network for Evaluation and Implementation Sciences at Emory (NEISE)

NEISE is a network that encourages interdisciplinary research opportunities to harness the intellectual resources of Emory University and Greater Atlanta to create solutions for sustainable and resilient communities, while enriching the faculty and student experience. The mission of NEISE is to improve population health by conducting rigorous, evidence-based, and actionable research on implementing programs and informing policies in the US and abroad.

Check out their website [here](#) to get involved and access resources.

### Healthcare Innovation Program

The Healthcare Innovation Program (HIP) supports and enhances the activities of faculty, staff, and units throughout the region to create, disseminate, and apply knowledge about healthcare service and delivery in order to benefit society. Explore existing health services research projects, news and events from partner organizations [here](#).



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## RESEARCH RESOURCES

### Access to the COVID-19 Data Analytics Platform

Researchers studying COVID-19 can now access an innovative new analytics platform that contains clinical data from the electronic health records of people who were tested for coronavirus or who have had related symptoms. As part of NCATS National COVID Cohort Collaborative (N3C) Data Enclave, the data within this source will help scientists study COVID 19 and answer clinically important questions about COVID-19 that they could not have answered previously, including potential risk factors, protective factors, and long-term health consequences.

More information and how to submit access requests can be found here:

<https://ncats.nih.gov/news/releases/2020/access-to-N3C-COVID-19-data-analytics-platform-now-open>

### Grant Support

The new Georgia CTSA Grant Wise service offers the opportunity for one to receive one-on-one feedback and support with grant writing from experienced senior faculty. This resource is available to faculty of institutions within the Georgia CTSA (Emory University, Georgia Tech, Morehouse School of Medicine, and the University of Georgia). All grant types are welcome to submit a request for guidance.

#### Receive support with:

- Developing a timeline
- Reviewing Specific Aims
- Writing/editing the text
- Responding to reviewers

Requests can be submitted to the [online form](#).

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## RESEARCH RESOURCES

### Surgical Outcomes Club

The Surgical Outcomes Club is a consortium of surgeons and scientists interested in advancing health services and outcomes research in surgery. Officially launched at the American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress in 2005, SOC provides a virtual and real meeting place for investigators addressing some of the most pressing clinical and policy issues facing the surgical profession today.

SOC aims to facilitate networking with established surgical outcome researchers and provide a platform for fostering collaborations. It will also serve as a clearinghouse for educational materials and other resources for surgeons wishing to learn more about the field.

Check out their website [here](#) and become a member.

### Episheet

Spreadsheets for the Analysis of Epidemiologic Data: <https://rtihs.org/episheet>

Episheet is a spreadsheet workbook that evolved from a collection of programs for first-generation programmable calculators (Epidemiologic Analysis with a Programmable Calculator, by Kenneth J. Rothman and John D. Boice, Jr.) It comprises various analyses for epidemiologic data, including confounding control by stratification of rate data, risk data, and case-control data, study size and power computation, standardization, analysis of matched case-control data, analysis of seasonal trends, computation of exact confidence limits for selected measures, meta-analysis, and more. The file is free to download and share.

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## RESEARCH RESOURCES

### **Duke University School of Medicine Summer Institute 2022**

Build your foundational knowledge in population health sciences; approach your research from different perspectives; better understand your context; and be more innovative in your proposals, design, and analysis. The Department of Population Health Services faculty will teach these skills and more at the Department of Population Health Sciences Virtual Summer Institute, June 13-17 and June 20-24. Registration closes Tuesday, May 17, 2022.

Register and learn more information [here](#).

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## WHAT ARE WE READING?



[A Typology For Health Equity Measures](#)

[Pandemic-Driven Health Policies To Address Social Needs And Health Equity.](#)



[Advancing Health Equity through Medicaid: Opportunities for States' Managed Care Plans](#)



[Barriers of Acceptance to Hospice Care: a Randomized Vignette-Based Experiment](#)



[Variation in Estimated Surgical Procedure Times Across Patient Characteristics and Surgeon Specialty.](#)

[Polarized Public Opinion About Public Health During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Political Divides and Future Implications](#)



[Making Causal Inference More Social and \(Social\) Epidemiology More Causal](#)

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## HIRING NOW - HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

### **Executive Director**

Kaiser Permanente Georgia Center for Research and Evaluation

The Center's Executive Director is responsible for providing strategic vision and leadership, and for operational and administrative oversight, of the research activities conducted by KP Georgia. Growing and diversifying the Center's research agenda, as well as its external partnerships and funding streams, are important job accountabilities. The Executive Director partners with the KP Georgia market's leadership team. They will cultivate and maintain collaborative relationships and set direction with high standards of scientific rigor and integrity to help solve critical quality of care delivery issues. They should be an accomplished researcher with a proven track record of obtaining and leading federally funded or equivalent research grants. This leader will also have a track record of leading multi-disciplinary research teams.

For more information and to apply, view the posting [here](#).

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