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Across the Continuum of Education - Fall 2023

Dear BSD faculty, residents, fellows, students, and staff,

As another academic year launches, we have much to celebrate as we welcome new learners to our organization: the launch of the new Pritzker Phoenix curriculum, expanded student scholarship aid, enhanced GME benefits, and the return of robust CME and simulation activities addressing timely topics such as climate health, implicit bias, community health, and well-being.

This week, we also successfully launched the [unified Mission, Vision, and Values](#) for the Biological Sciences Division, the University of Chicago Medicine, and the Pritzker School of Medicine, led by Dean Anderson and informed by over 4,000 people, including our students and residents. As our institutional footprint expands on campus and across the region, it's critical to center the things that drive us to **make a difference** here, including through our teaching and learning, whether it's in a classroom or clinical space, a research or simulation lab, or here on campus or in our community. As we **commit to excellence, embrace curiosity, and embody equity**, I'm personally reminded of our recent [reaffirmation of our commitment to recruiting diverse learners](#). Lastly, to **grow together**, I can't stress the importance of giving and receiving quality feedback, while we collectively **take ownership** for creating optimal learning environments for all. As always, I hope to see you at one of our many events this quarter and hear what our mission, vision, and values mean to you.



Best Wishes,

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Herbert T. Abelson Professor of Medicine

Undergraduate Medical Education



Welcome Entering Class of 2023

The Pritzker School of Medicine is pleased to welcome our new class of M1s. The class consists of **90** total students (79 MD, 11 MD/PhD) representing 54 undergraduate institutions (15 from Illinois, 6 UChicago undergraduates, 2 undergraduate students). Of the class, 40% are underrepresented in Medicine and 80% took at least one year off before starting medical school.

Read about the entering [Class of 2023's historic White Coat Ceremony here](#).

Phoenix Curriculum Officially Launched

The new Phoenix Curriculum officially launched in August with a week of immersion activities for new M1s, including intensive simulated interactions with standardized patients. We are also grateful to the residents and faculty who have joined us for the new Pritzker Morning Report, a series of weekly case reports presented to M1s by different departments to help connect their basic sciences coursework to clinical practice as they learn.

The Executive Committee and Working Groups are now hard at work on Phase 2, (clinical clerkship education), which will begin earlier to allow more time for career exploration and will include a new four-week Ambulatory Clerkship focused on adult primary care. Visit the [EVOLVES homepage](#) for more information.

Bowman Society Lecture – October 19, 2023

Save the date: The Fall 2023 Bowman Society Lecture will be presented by [Cristina Gonzalez, MD, MEd](#) on **Thursday, Oct. 19 from 5-7 p.m.** Dr. Gonzalez is a Professor of Medicine at the NYU Grossman School of Medicine and practices adult hospital medicine with NYU Langone Health. She is a former Macy Faculty Scholar who is now the Associate Director, Medical Education, Institute for Excellence in Health Equity (IEHE) at NYU and specializes in implicit bias recognition and management.

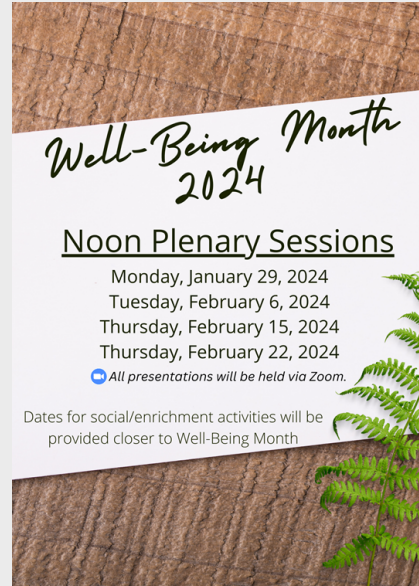
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Well-Being Month Announced

University of Chicago GME Well-Being Month will be held January 29 – February 23, 2024.

The annual programming of well-being focused activities includes a noontime plenary series available to all residents, medical students, faculty, and staff. GME will also offer evening activities aimed at providing the UChicago community the opportunity to connect with colleagues in other specialties. Past evening activities have included game night, cooking demonstrations, and movie night.

Well-Being Month has been modified from its original format of Resilience Week in response to resident and fellow feedback.



Community Champions

The **Community Champions** program is a collaborative effort between the Office of Graduate Medical Education and the Urban Health Initiative at UChicago Medicine to increase physician engagement on Chicago's South Side both during and after training. The Community Champions program currently has 35 Resident and Fellow Physicians across 15 different medical specialties. [Click here](#) to meet the 2023-2024 cohort of Community Champions.

This year, Community Champions have already participated in several engagement events including the Hyde Park Farmer's Market, the Bud Billiken Parade, a Men's Health Panel, and the Black Women's Expo. The 2023-2024 Community Champions didactic series kicked off in August with the *Improving Science Communication and Addressing Misinformation* workshop lead by Dr. Vineet Arora and Sara Serritella. Dr. Doriane Miller also presented on the *History of Chicago's South Side* in August.

Faculty Development & Continuing Medical Education

A graphic for a RIME meeting. At the top, "RIME" is written in large red letters with a sun icon, and "Research and Innovations in Medical Education" is written below it. The main title is "Meeting Climate Change, Our Apex Predator: Implications for Medical Education" in red and orange. The speaker is "Mark Shapiro, MD", a Hospitalist at Providence Medical Group-Northern California and Founder & Host of Explore The Space Podcast. The meeting is on Thursday, September 21st, from 12:00 - 1:00PM CT, at BSLC 115 & Zoom. A photo of Mark Shapiro is on the left. At the bottom, "Lunch Included" is written in red. The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine logo is at the bottom left. A small disclaimer at the bottom right states: "The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 1.00 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity."

Research and Innovations in Medical Education (RIME)

Mark Shapiro, MD

Thursday, Sept. 21 at noon. (BSLC 115 & Zoom) – **Meeting Climate Change, Our Apex Predator: Implications for Medical Education**

Hosted by the Pritzker School of Medicine, the RIME Conferences unite educators and researchers from the University of Chicago and beyond, spearheading innovation in medical education. From October to June, these monthly conferences offer a dynamic platform to explore cutting-edge methodologies, technologies, and insights that shape medical education. Learn more by [visiting the RIME website](#). Two visiting speakers will address emerging topics this year: climate health and artificial intelligence.



Bucksbaum Institute Annual Symposium **Keynote**

Dr. Mary Rinella, Director of the Metabolic and Fatty Liver Disease program at the University of Chicago and a 2022 Bucksbaum Master Clinician, will deliver the keynote address at the 12th Annual Bucksbaum Institute for Clinical Excellence Research Symposium on **Friday, Oct. 6 from 12-1:30 p.m.** followed by a Q&A. The Symposium will be offered in a hybrid format, with lunch provided for those attending in person in CCD Room 07850. [Registration is required.](#)

Medical Education Day 2024

Save the Date: Medical Education Day is back and taking place on **Thursday, February 1, 2024 from 12-4 p.m.** Hosted by the Academy of Distinguished Medical Educators, Medical Education Day will include a keynote address and plenary sessions, followed by an awards ceremony. Additionally, the annual retreat for Program and Clerkship Directors will be held in person in the morning. More details will be shared soon, including a call for poster submissions.

Medical Education Day has been moved from its traditional place in the fall to avoid the demanding GME recruitment period and to allow Pritzker faculty and staff to focus on implementation of the Phoenix Curriculum. We hope this change will facilitate even greater engagement from everyone.

Simulation

Simulation @ GME Intern **Orientation**

Simulation methods of hands-on training helped prepare new residents for their clinical responsibilities and for safe patient care during GME PGY-1 Orientation in June. Activities included: Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS), Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS), Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS), and Central Venous Line insertion, among others.





Simulation X Pritzker

The Simulation Center and Pritzker students teamed up to provide skills demonstrations in the community. In July, a team of Pritzker students helped lead a skills fair that included CPR skills at the Maria Shelter Clinic. A team also led a CPR skills demonstration at the [Gary Comer Youth Center Block Party](#) in August in the Greater Grand Crossing neighborhood.

Upcoming Events

Connect with and support the Simulation team at upcoming community events:

- [American Heart Association Heart Walk](#) at Soldier Field – **Sept. 22**
- AMA [Change MedEd](#) Conference at the Swissotel Chicago, featuring the *UChicago Compliance Room of Horrors* in the Exhibit Hall – **Sept. 27 and 29**
- [South Side Science Festival](#) in Hyde Park – **Sept. 30**
- [Comer RBC Race for Kids](#) at Comer Children's Hospital – **Oct. 15**

Pritzker is now on Tik Tok!

Want to make sure you stay connected to Pritzker? The Pritzker School of Medicine now has an official TikTok page! Go like and follow [@uchipritzker](#) to start getting fresh content.

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