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

Given that Spring is a time of growth, renewal, and transformation, we extend hearty congratulations to our students who have secured residency placements and to our programs who look forward to welcoming new interns! We also look forward to welcoming accepted students in April to learn more about Pritzker this month and want to thank everyone who will support and participate in Revisit. As part of Revisit, we welcome all to join us for the Bowman Lecture by Dr. Monica Peek on the importance of Health Equity and Democracy.

Speaking of democracy, we invite you to read about how our students learned to share their voices in op-eds in major local and national outlets. In addition to creating an inclusive environment where we can share our diverse opinions, we also benefit from embracing our inner curiosity. One way to do so: learn more about new technologies at the Virtual Reality Open House sponsored by the UC Simulation Center this month.

Today’s solar eclipse provides a natural opportunity to embrace curiosity and wonder, but please do so safely as we are reminded by UChicago Medicine. So, whether you’re gazing at the skies today or delving into the realm of medical education events below this Spring, I look forward to seeing you and hearing from you as we all continue to learn and grow together.
Best Wishes,

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**Undergraduate Medical Education**

![Match Day 2024](image)

**Match Day 2024**

The Pritzker School of Medicine celebrated another successful Match Day on March 15th, with 91 students matched to residency training programs across the country. The top five specialties were Internal Medicine (22), Anesthesiology (12), Family Medicine (11), General Surgery (6), and Psychiatry (6). After University of Chicago Medical Center, the top destinations were University of California, Northwestern, Harvard, Columbia, University of Illinois-Chicago, and Washington University in St. Louis. [Read more here.](#)

**JGIM Article Highlights Pritzker Op-Ed Curriculum**

In a new article published in the *Journal of General Internal Medicine*, a team of Pritzker students and V. Ram Krishnamoorthi, MD, detailed the op-ed writing curriculum they began developing in 2021. The initiative has led to strong engagement in written advocacy among pre-clinical students, with 22 op-eds published in local or national outlets over a two-year span. [Read more on this effort here.](#)
Graduate Medical Education

GME Match 2024
University of Chicago Medicine's 20 core training programs also had another outstanding match, filling 187 residency positions, as well as 47 residency positions in three affiliated Endeavor Health System-based programs, including NorthShore. In a continuation of several successful years of recruitment efforts, 23% of the positions at UCMC were filled by residents who have backgrounds underrepresented in medicine, as were 17% of the positions filled at NorthShore.

Program Director and Program Coordinator of the Year
Congratulations to Dr. Yasmin Hasan from the Department of Radiation and Cellular Oncology on her selection as the 2023-2024 UChicago Medicine Program Director of the Year! Dr. Hasan has been at UChicago since 2018 and is a respected leader, educator and mentor.

Congratulations also to Marla Scofield, Education Administrator in the Department of Neurology, on being named the 2023-2024 Program Coordinator of the Year for her outstanding support of residents, fellows, PDs, faculty and other coordinators across GME.

UChicago Medicine UIMVCP Clerkship Application Open
UChicago Medicine UIMVCP Clerkship Application Open Applications are now open for the Underrepresented in Medicine Visiting Clerkship Program, cosponsored by the Pritzker School of Medicine and the UChicago Medicine GME office. The four-week rotation provides mentoring, networking, and stipend support for visiting fourth-year
medical students who are underrepresented in medicine as defined by the AAMC or who are interested in addressing health inequities. Please encourage any rising fourth-year students—especially those interested in training at UCMC—to apply and learn more here.

**Faculty Development & Continuing Medical Education**

**Dr. Ibrahim Abubakar to Present World Health Week Grand Rounds**
As part of World Health Week, Dr. Ibrahim Abubakar will serve as a guest of honor to present Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds on **Friday, April 12 at 8 a.m.** Dean of the University College London Faculty of Population Health Sciences and Professor of Infectious Disease Epidemiology, Dr. Abubakar will present the lecture “Tackling Inequalities in Cancer: The Role of Social Determinants.” [Register for the virtual lecture here.](#)

**Warner-Reynolds Leadership Academy**
The BSD Office of Diversity & Inclusion invites faculty, housestaff, and staff to attend the 2024 Warner-Reynolds Leadership Academy, a day-long institute focused on developing leadership skills, networking, and defining your own success. With the theme “The Power of Community in Leadership,” this year’s academy will take place on **Friday, June 14** at the Rubinstein Forum on the University of Chicago campus. [Learn more and register here.](#)

**Meaning in Medicine Series Finale**
The Hyde Park Institute will hold its final Meaning in Medicine series lecture of the academic year on **Thursday, May 9 at noon**, featuring Bree Andrews, MD, MPH, Chief Wellness and Vitality Officer for Physicians at the University of Chicago. Dr. Andrews will present a lecture titled “Well-being Frameworks to Promote Meaning in Medicine.” The lecture will be held in-person and virtually, and those interested in attending can [register for either format here.](#)

**Simulation**

**Virtual Reality Open House - April 11**
The University of Chicago Simulation Center invites you to a Virtual Reality Open House on **April 11 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in Mitchell Hospital.**

The event will feature interactive demonstrations from leaders in the use of virtual reality for medical education, and attendees will have the opportunity to experience how virtual reality can be used to enhance medical education, training, and research. Those interested are asked to [sign up for a timeslot here.](#)
**Sim at IMSH**

Simulation Manager Neal Hluska presented the low cost interactive virtual pediatric code cart he developed at the International Meeting of the Society for Simulation in Healthcare alongside Priti Jani, MD, MPH, Faculty Director for Simulation, and Melissa Cappaert, Executive Director. The cart can be used both during orientation of newly hired Comer clinicians as well as for quick refreshers, providing a high yield and fostering familiarity that leads to better patient safety.

**Recent Sim Center Outreach - Lab School and CPR Blitz**

University of Chicago Lab School students got a lesson in CPR skills and exposure to possible careers in medicine recently thanks to the Simulation Center. Dr. Jani and Neal Hluska partnered with high school Lab student Nutan Ganighara to lead a CPR skills workshop, and Pritzker students Emily Feuka and Yena Woo joined to discuss BLS and medical careers.

The Sim Center also hosted its annual CPR Blitz in honor of American Health Association Heart Month recently, with Sim staff and Pritzker students delivering CPR and defibrillator training throughout the inpatient and outpatient units of UCM.