

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE & PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES (DFMPHS)



DFMPHS FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENTS ON THE FRONTLINE FIGHTING COVID-19

Tweet from Chair, Tsveti Markova, MD, FAFPP



Thank you all for your dedication and commitment during these unprecedented times!



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The Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences will promote health equity and well-being of individuals, families, and communities. We improve health and well-being by advancing the science and practice of Family Medicine and Public Health through innovation, interdisciplinary collaboration, and excellence in partnership with our communities. We embrace our core values of Excellence, Collaboration, Innovation, Integrity, Diversity & Inclusion, and Social Justice.



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On April 7, the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians published an online article specifically mentioning the hot spot of Oakland County where DFMPHS's own colleagues are working tirelessly to fight the COVID-19 battle at Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital.

**Pierre Morris, MD**, clinical assistant professor and residency program director for the Wayne State University / Ascension Family Medicine and Transitional Year residency programs was quoted in the article as saying, "All of our family medicine and transitional year residents are on the front lines in the fight against the COVID-19 virus in our hospital. Our residents have joined COVID-19 teams headed by our family medicine faculty physicians and have also joined our hospital ICU COVID teams headed by our pulmonologists, providing direct care to the most critically ill patients, many of whom remain intubated. It is a daunting task that is persistently physically and emotionally draining, but our residents and faculty continue to confront this challenge daily. The COVID-19 virus has also affected our family medicine clinic practice, where our residents are conducting telemedicine visits for our patients who continue to need our care. We are essentially at

war against the ravages of this virus; it is truly an unprecedented public health emergency."

At the start of Michigan hospitals' influx of seeing patients with COVID-19, Dr. Morris, applauded volunteers saying, "We have current residents and now incoming residents from our recent Match who are volunteering to step up and help on the frontlines. **Dr. Alicia Steele**, one of our Urban Track residents, became very sick while caring for COVID patients while assigned to an inpatient COVID team. She immediately returned to directly caring for COVID-19 the day after receiving a negative COVID test result even though she had not fully recovered. She ultimately didn't want to let her team down during the peak of this pandemic. **Sarah Farooqi MD**, an incoming resident and current research assistant in the Wayne State Pathology and Psych departments, emailed me asking how she could help as well. One of our first-year residents volunteered to take the place of a PGY-3 resident assigned to a COVID team, to spare him since he has asthma and

could be at greater risk for complications. One of our chief residents volunteered to be our first family medicine resident on the COVID-19 team, stating he wanted to experience it so that he could help prepare future residents. We have additional residents who feel it is their duty as physicians to face this head on, directly on the frontlines."

Special thanks to the many DFMPHS physician and research faculty who have stepped up to call on favors from family, friends, and colleagues to donate the much needed PPE, specifically N95 masks, making special arrangements to have the items delivered to our frontline workers.



**Phil Riley, MD** a FM resident wearing a respirator donated by **Dr. Youcheng Liu**

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## CONT'D DFMPHS FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENTS ON THE FRONTLINE FIGHTING

Also, a grateful thank you to the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians / Family Medicine Foundation of Michigan (MAFP/MFFM) who sent a very generous Visa gift card to purchase lunch for our residents as an appreciation for their work on the frontlines.

MAFP Chief Executive Officer and FMFM Executive Vice President **Karlene Ketola, MSA, CAE** was quoted in the article as saying, "While your Academy is working hard to provide information in real time on its COVID-19 webpage, host informational webinars, and advocate for the financial support, personal protective equipment, and practice management pathways members need to be able to continue providing care, Michigan Academy of Family Physicians and Family Medicine Foundation of Michigan leadership and staff recognize a

warm meal might provide a few moments of comfort for residents on the frontline."

We are also very grateful to the Southeast Michigan Academy of Family Phy-

sicians (SEMAFP), who coordinated with **Rose Moschelli** our residency coordinator and provided Panera gift cards to purchase lunch for all of the Family Medicine residents in the southeast Michigan area.



WSU/APRH residents take a much need break and enjoy a meal provided by MAFP/FMFM

Thanks to ALL DFMPHS frontline workers, faculty and staff that are in this COVID-19 fight, no matter what their participation may look like, we are all affected in some way during this pandemic. Stay safe. Stay strong.

To read the MAFP article in its entirety, click the following link: <https://www.mafp.com/news/family-medicine-resident-physicians-on-the-frontline-of-covid-19>

## DR. MARKOVA IS CELEBRATED AS 'WOMEN IN FAMILY MEDICINE'

Our department chair, **Dr. Tsveti Markova**, was featured in the Women in History section of the *Michigan Family Physician*, Spring 2020 issue as a celebrated

'Women in Family Medicine.' She was one of the six influential women in family medicine chosen for this year's issue.



In the article, Dr. Markova shares what led her to medicine, namely, her love of reading, doing science projects, and getting involved in community organizations that helped people. Second to medicine is her passion about education. She has always

practiced medicine in an academic setting. She is quoted in the article as saying, "I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to blend medicine and education into my professional career as a medical educator. This experience has provided incredible opportunities for impact, for gaining exceptional mentors, and for developing lasting relationships."

The article shares the department's success of rising to seventh nationally in the Blue Ridge report for National Institutes of Health Funding and its growth in the areas of public health, behavioral sciences, and health disparities under her leadership. It also recognizes her innovation initiatives for residents to acquire skills needed to provide high-quality, safe, effective,

and equitable care in the new healthcare environment.

Dr. Markova shared her thoughts about being a family medicine physician, "Family Medicine is at the heart of prevention, chronic disease management, and population health with large impact on healthier communities. As a physician, there is no greater honor than to be trusted with the most intimate issues of someone's personal health, their family, living conditions, and working environment.'

Congratulations to Dr. Markova on this well-deserved recognition.

# DFMPHS ANNUAL RESEARCH DAY GOES VIRTUAL

The DFMPHS Annual Research Day was scheduled for April 15, 2020 and the planning committee had organized another event that was sure to be exceptional. Much like all events during the COVID-19 pandemic, the committee quickly switched gears but still delivered!

This year's event highlighted three amazing public health violence prevention programs, our student award winners, WSU violence prevention resources, and, of course, the scholarly work of our students, trainees, and faculty. Please take the time to visit our DFMPHS Research [Virtual] Day event page at:

<https://familymedicine.med.wayne.edu/research-day-2020>

Centered on APHA's annual theme, Violence Prevention, we planned to highlight three local programs that exemplify the community-based, public health work DFMPHS aims to foster in our medicine and public health trainees. We congratulate our keynote panelists, for their hard-work and dedication to violence prevention. Click on the link above for access to the individual presentation links which explain their organization's Mission, Activities, Outcomes/Success Stories.

- **Khali Sweeney** of Downtown Boxing Gym
- **Poco Kernsmith, PhD** of Youth Empowerment Solutions for Health Relationships
- **Tolulope Sonuyi, MD** of Detroit Life is Valuable Everyday (D.L.I.V.E.)

The research day committee accepted twenty-five abstracts for presentation. Of these, two were recognized as excellent overall abstracts and earned the distinction of an ab-

stract award. **Hassan Baiz, MD** and **Mr. Jamil Gharib** were to give an oral presentation of their work. We also had six highly rated abstracts selected for scrolling poster presentations. Also, you can click on the previous link to view the presentations from: 1. **Ashley Aragona, MD**; 2. **Michael Duarte, MD**; 3. **Benjamin Maynard, MD**; 4. **Ghadir Mozeb**; 5. **Kevin Pennycook, DO**; and 6. **Ashleigh Peoples**.

Seventeen poster presentations were selected by the following individuals. See their presentations by clicking on the event page link provided previously.

1. **Jacinda Abdul-Mutakabbir, PharmH**
2. **Dana Achmar, MD**
3. **Hira Ali**
4. **Irene Chen**
5. **Ashley DeCaluwe, DO**
6. **Yanping Jiang, PhD**
7. **Peter Ly, MD**
8. **Grace Mahasi**
9. **Benjamin Maynard, MD**
10. **Lindsey McCracken**
11. **Savannah O'Neil**
12. **Roshan Patel, MD**
13. **Jillian Rhind**
14. **Jacqueline Rodrigues-Stanley**
15. **Aamna Sajid**
16. **Meghna Shukla, MSN, RN, CPNP-AC**
17. **Liyang Zhang, PhD**

Congratulations to the following students who received the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences' 2020 Student Awards in Public Health, Primary Care and Family Medicine. These students reflect our commitment to excellence in research and clinical practice.

- ◇ **Deja Wilson** - 2020 John B. Waller, Jr., DrPH and Menthele (Mikki) Waller Endowed Scholarship for Masters in Public Health Students
- ◇ **Raven Batshon** - 2020 Excellence in Public Health Award from the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) Physician Professional Advisory Committee Award, United States Public

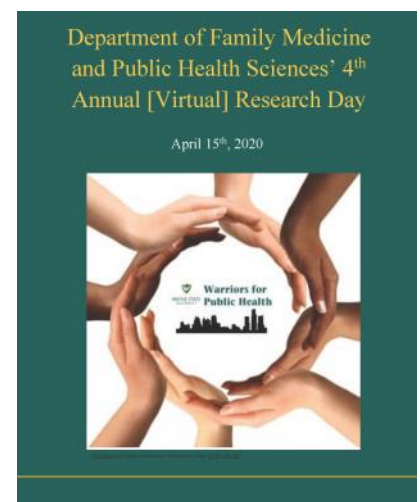
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- ◇ **Shayla M. Patton** - 2020 Student Family Medicine/Primary Care Research Award, North American Primary Care Research Group (NAPCRG)

Special thanks to the work of this year's planning committee: **April Idalski Carcone, Julie Gleason-Comstock, Angie Jacques-Tiura, Elizabeth Towner, Victoria Neale, and Amanda Compton**. We are especially grateful for their ability to adapt to the COVID-19 pandemic and present the event virtually. We hope you take the time to review the hard work and excellent presentations from the event.

Mark your calendars for next year's event on Wednesday, April 21, 2021 where we will all be face-to-face again.

Click here for the program brochure. [https://familymedicine.med.wayne.edu/research\\_day\\_2020/dfmphps\\_research\\_day\\_2020\\_program\\_final.pdf](https://familymedicine.med.wayne.edu/research_day_2020/dfmphps_research_day_2020_program_final.pdf)





## FACULTY PROMOTIONS ANNOUNCED

The Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences is pleased to announce the following faculty promotions. The promotions will become effective August 18, 2020. The Office of Faculty Affairs and the Dean's office plan to schedule a reception when the COVID-19 pandemic has subsided and it is safe for a celebratory gathering. In the meantime, we would like to congratulate them and acknowledge their accomplishments.

### **Juliann Binienda, PhD,**

promoted to Professor, Clinician Educator—Dr. Binienda joined our department as an instructor in 1988 and was appointed a lecturer in 1993. During her time as a lecturer, she returned to graduate school and completed her PhD in Education at Wayne State University in 2006. Dr. Binienda was appointed an assistant professor in 2007 on the clinician-educator track. She was promoted to Associate Professor in 2016. Her scholarly record, her teaching performance, and strong engagement in service are exemplary and are deserving of this promotion to professor.



### **Angela Tiura, PhD,**

promoted to Associate Professor, Research—Dr. Tiura completed her PhD in Social Psychology at Wayne State University in 2010 then joined WSU's Department of Pediatrics in August 2010 in a Research Associate role until her appointment as an assistant professor in October of 2013. Dr. Tiura joined the Department of Family Medicine & Public Health Sciences in 2016 when all faculty in the Pediatric Prevention Center in the Department of Pediatrics moved to our department. Dr. Tiura has had outstanding accomplishments in the area of scholarship and service to WSU and the community. And although teaching is not required in her track, she teaches undergraduate students in Psychology, guest lectures in the MPH program and for Family Medicine & Transitional Year Residents and Fellows in a Scholarship Didactic



Series, in addition to other teaching activities within the University.

**Tess McCready, DO** promoted to Clinical Associate Professor—Dr. McCready joined the Department in January 2017 as a Clinical Assistant Professor, and a core faculty of the Wayne State University Family Medicine Residency program at Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital. A year later she became the Associate Program Director. She has been actively engaged in teaching WSU medical students and her high-quality teaching has been recognized by learners and peers. She has been a role model for residents and mentoring their scholarly projects, including quality improvement and health disparities, which have been presented at regional and national forums. In addition to seeing patients and teaching, Dr. McCready is involved in various departmental, hospital and national committees.



**Pierre Morris, MD,** promoted to Clinical Associate Professor—Dr. Morris joined the Department in 2005 as an Assistant Professor, and after that transitioned as a Clinical Assistant Professor in 2018. He has been an exemplary and highly valued educator for years. He serves as the Program Director for the WSU Family Medicine Residency Program at Ascension Rochester Providence Rochester Hospital, very engaged in the recently established Urban Track in an FQHC in Detroit. He had taught WSU medical students in various environments: from bed-side teaching to small group instructions to large lectures. Dr. Morris collaborates with other faculty and mentors residents in disseminating of knowledge. He has been and continues to serve on multiple departmental and hospital committees, as well as in the Michigan Academy Family Physicians (MAFP).



**Fatin Sahhar, MD,** promoted to Clinical Associate Professor—Dr. Sahhar joined the Department in 2016 as a Clinical Assistant Professor, and a core faculty of the Detroit Medical Center Family Medicine Residency program, which at the time was affiliated with WSU. Two years later she became the Associate Program Director. Over the last three years, she has been engaged in teaching WSU medical and MPH students with admirable commitment and high-quality teaching. She is the Student Faculty Coordinator for the WSU Family Medicine Clerkship, precepting a medical student every month at the Bowman Center, an FQHC in Detroit. Dr. Sahhar is involved in various hospital and regional committees.



**Lawrence Fischetti, PhD,** promoted to Adjunct Associate Professor—Dr. Fischetti has been an Adjunct Assistant Professor since 2005. He actively participates in educational activities for WSU medical students in his capacity of faculty at the Family Medicine Residency Program at Beaumont Dearborn hospital. He teaches behavioral health issues in ambulatory setting, and students frequently consult with him on patient care issues during their required Family Medicine clerkship, as well as seeking mentoring advice regarding the specialty. He champions the hospital GME wellbeing initiative. He is actively involved in faculty development, not only to WSU but also regionally, serving as the Co-Chair of the Faculty Development Planning Committee at the South East Michigan Center for Medical Education (SEMCMCME). Dr. Fischetti is regionally recognized for designing innovative educational curricula in his areas of expertise.



Congratulations to our faculty for their well-deserved promotions.

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## DFMPHS LOSES A DEAR FRIEND TO COVID-19

We were saddened to hear the passing of **Angelo Patsalis, MD, FAAFP** due to complications of COVID-19.

Dr. Patalis was a supporter of our Annual Clinical Skills night as current president of the Southeast Michigan Academy of Family Physicians (SEMAFP). SEMAFP



also sponsors many of our students for local and national conferences.

Dr. Patalis was a long-time Michigan Academy of Family Physicians (MAFP) Academy member and past president. In the announcement made by the MAFP sharing information of his

passing, they say “He was a steadfast champion of his beloved specialty, dedicating his career as a family physician to providing primary care to all.”

We share our deepest sympathies to his family and all those who are grieving his passing.

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## ASHLEIGH PEOPLES IS AWARDED FAMILY MEDICINE LEADS (FML) EMERGING LEADER INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP

**Ashleigh Peoples**, a fourth-year medical student at Wayne State University School of Medicine, was awarded a Family Medicine Leads (FML) Emerging Leader Institute Scholarship (one of 30). Participation in the year-long Institute focuses on ensuring the future of the Family Medicine specialty by increasing the number of future Family Medicine leaders and provides training for this important role.

Ashleigh was nominated to receive the award by **Jira Coumarbatch, MD**, Assistant Professor-Clinician Educator and Family Medicine Clerkship Director in the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences. Dr. Coumarbatch referenced a few of Ashleigh’s qualities that he felt highly qualified her for this award. Ashleigh

is very active in the WSU School of Medicine.

Dr. Coumarbatch commented on her excellent bedside manner and her ability to connect with patients and their family to effectively communicate. He feels she clearly exhibits signs of becoming a patient advocate. She is interested in practicing patient-centered care, and in particular, patients from underrepresented communities. She has worked as a research epidemiologist giving her a strong appreciation for practicing evidence-based medicine. Ashleigh serves as a student representative on the Curriculum Management Committee at the WSUSOM advocating for diverse and inclusionary discourse in medical education on behalf of a new generation of physicians. She

plans to dedicate her time and degree to advocating for diversity and inclusion within academic medicine at all levels. Ashleigh will receive a monetary scholarship to attend the AAFP Conference in Kansas City and participate in the FML Emerging Leaders Institute held at the AAFP National Headquarters in Leawood, KS (TBD - currently scheduled for July 30-August 2, 2020). She will be assigned an AAFP family physician mentor, who will serve as a role model, providing monthly guidance and project support. Participants will participate in in-depth workshops during their time at the Institute which gives them an opportunity to earn additional monetary awards for their leadership project.

Congratulations to Ashleigh!

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## FAMILY MEDICINE’S FMIG GROUP GOES VIRTUAL

During these times of social distancing, the Family Medicine Interest Group (FMIG) is still finding ways to connect, learn and share experiences.

On April 30, **Dr. Scott Yaekle**, **Dr. Melissa Jennings**, and **Dr. Tyler Drewry** were panelists for a FMIG hosted discussion about what it is like to be a family physician, how to apply for a fellowship, and the

role of family medicine in the COVID-19 response. Approximately 10 students, one incoming preventive medicine resident and guest invitee, **Dana Lawrence**, Director of Communications and Member Services of the MAFP participated in the meeting.

On May 7, a virtual seminar was held on the topic of preventive medicine. With featured speakers from DFMPHS faculty members **Dr. James Blessman** and

**Dr. Youcheng Liu** and Family Medicine incoming residents, **Dr. Beza Sahlie** and **Dr. Abdulla Hafid**. This virtual seminar was attended by 8 students and guest invitee Dana Lawrence.

With the success of these virtual, informative session, FMIG leader, **Ruta Raulickis** is planning more events to keep everyone connected.



# DIVISION OF POPULATION HEALTH CORNER

2020 THEME: PREVENTING VIOLENCE

## PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK RECOGNITION AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Department of Family Medicine & Public Health Sciences (DFMPHS) is the Wayne State University (WSU) sponsor for the Michigan Public Health Week Partnership (MPHWP), which was celebrated (virtually) April 15, 2020. Led by the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS), the Partnership is composed of professional organizations such as the Michigan Public Health Association and Michigan Association for Local Public Health, as well as academic partners including Michigan State and Grand Valley

State Universities, and the University of Michigan.

Community Health Awareness Group, Inc. (CHAG), a Detroit community-based organization, was nominated for a 2020 MHWP Hometown Hero Award for "HIV Prevention, Care, Substance Abuse and Health Care Services" by **Dr. Julie Gleason-Comstock**, and was voted by the Partnership to be one of eight state-wide awardees. CHAG is the largest minority AIDS Service Organization in Michigan. CHAG's focus is the African-American population of Detroit; however, it is increasingly providing substance abuse prevention services to Tri-

County (Wayne, Oakland and Macomb) adults. CHAG has a long-standing public health research and practice community partnership with DFMPHS, which includes the recent "Detroit HeartBeat" health education project funded by the Detroit Medical Center Foundation and the WSU Cardiovascular Research Institute, for which Dr. Gleason-Comstock was Principal Investigator. DFMPHS also volunteers with CHAG to provide public health leadership with DFMPHS Associate Professor **Dr. Juliann Binienda** who is on the CHAG Board of Directors.



## OTHER TEAM INFORMATION:

- **Juliann Binienda, PhD** has been named as a new Associate Editor for the "Reflection" feature of the *J Am Board Fam Med*.
- **Michael McLeod, JD, MPH** presented "Focus on the Functions: Using Canvas to Increase Student Engagement and Help Achieve Learning Objectives" at the 2020 Michigan Canvas Users Conference hosted by Lawrence Technological University on March 6.
- **Jinping Xu, MD** has recently submitted a PCORI (Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute) Enhancement grant titled: "Supporting Detroit Communities as Leaders and Partners in COVID-19 Research", which is an enhancement grant submitted previously to PCORI.

Pictured to the left: **Cindy Bolden Calhoun**, Executive Director/CFO Community Health Awareness Group, Inc. (CHAG). She is holding a 2020 Michigan Public Health Week "Hometown Hero" plaque, one of eight awarded this year.



Congratulations to DFMPHS, Residency Program Coordinator, **Sarah Furguson**. Sarah and her husband, Dave, welcomed their third child, a son, Jack Timothy, on April 27. Birth stats: 6 lbs., 11 oz., 21 inches. Jack joins big brother, Liam (20-months) and big sister, Ella (3-years old).





# DFMPHS WELCOMES NEW EMPLOYEES

**Michelle Holz** has joined the Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences as its Manager, Finance.

Michelle has extensive experience in the area of research administration covering both pre and post-ward functions and processes. Michelle comes to us from Henry Ford Health System (HFHS) as its Research Program Manager where she was a valued employee and comes with very high recommendations. Michelle provides leadership with financial analysis ensuring align-



ment with fiscal objectives and the financial forecast matrix.

In DFMPHS, Michelle will have a primary focus on post-award research administration management responsibilities.

On a personal note, Michelle shares the following information with us: She was raised in a large family with seven siblings. She is a grateful wife and a mother to one son, who is a junior pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering. She is an outdoor and cruise enthusiast who enjoyed zip lining in Puerio Valarta's jungles. Michelle enjoys gardening, group painting and puzzles.

Michelle will be located in Woodward Gardens in Room 316. Her phone number is 313-577-0641 and email is [michelleholz@wayne.edu](mailto:michelleholz@wayne.edu)

Also joining the department in various roles:

- **Deepika Baskar**, student volunteer (working with Dr. Carcone)
- **Lauren Mckenzie**, student volunteer (working with Dr. Carcone)



## NEWS FROM MI-AHEC

During this unprecedented time of the Covid-19 pandemic, upcoming summer programs have had to adapt to the new normal. The BCAP, Biomedical Career Advancement Program, is changing its focus this year to an online format. The program will be shorted from 6 weeks to 4 weeks and will start on July 6, 2020. To facilitate the online format, each student will be provided with a Chromebook and internet access.

BCAP, is a collaborative program between Wayne State University School of Medicine (WSUSOM), Michigan Area Health Education Center (MI-AHEC), Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN), and Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD). BCAP was

established in 2014 by Jennell White, PhD. Dr. White, Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacology at WSU-SOM, is dedicated to exposing youth to careers in the health sciences.

"We are excited to be able to offer students the BCAP research experience this year in an online format," said **Dr. Jennell White**. "We are proud of the effort that went into providing a quality program while adapting to challenges presented by the current circumstances. There is a really great group of students this year and we are looking forward to a productive summer."

As in previous years, students will be matched with a faculty mentor and will complete a research project and

present their findings in a closing ceremony. Students will attend professional development sessions and lectures, and complete labs over video calls and on other digital platforms. After successfully completing the BCAP Program and presenting their research projects, students will receive a stipend and certificate at the closing ceremony on July 31, 2020.



For more news from MI-AHEC, Click on the logo above.

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## Important Dates



**June 17, 2020**—DFMPHS All Faculty Meeting

**July 3, 2020**—Independence Day University Closure

**September 7, 2020**—Labor Day University Closure

# THE *Scholar* SECTION

Below are the most recent presentations from our faculty and staff, whose names are bolded. All were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Rodriguez-Stanley, J.\*, **Zilioli, S., Carcone, A.I., Ellis, D.** (Mar 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19). Naturalistically Observed Interpersonal Problems and Health Outcomes in a Racially Diverse Sample of Emerging Adults with Type 1 Diabetes. Paper to be presented at the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of the American Psychosomatic Society, Long Beach, CA. (Student of Sam Zilioli was to present the below at APS which was cancelled due to COVID-19)
- Shukla, M.; Mooney, M.; **Ellis, D.; Idalski Carcone, A.**; Kannikeswaran, N. (Apr 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19). Translating an Efficacious Illness Management Intervention for Youth with Poorly Controlled Asthma to Real World Settings. Poster to be presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA. (Meghna Shukla & Jillian Rhind were to present at SBM which was cancelled due to COVID-19)
- **Rhind, JT.; Ellis, D.; Idalski Carcone, A.**; Weissberg-Benchell, J.; Evans, MA.; Alwazeer, M.; Buggs-Saxton, C. (Apr 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19). Recruitment of Minority Families to Behavioral Clinical Trials: Identifying Hard-To-Recruit Families. Poster to be presented at the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting & Scientific Sessions of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, San Francisco, CA.
- Shukla, M.; Mooney, M.; **Ellis, D.; Idalski Carcone, A.**; Kannikeswaran, N. (Apr 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19). Translating an Efficacious Illness Management Intervention for Youth with Poorly Controlled Asthma to Real World Settings. Poster to be presented at the Wayne State University College of Nursing's Urban Health Conference, Detroit, MI. (Meghna Shukla was to present at CON Urban Health Conference which was cancelled due to COVID-19)
- Mehmood, Y.; **Gharib, J.**; Worley, J.; **Idalski Carcone, A.**; Cutchin, M.; **Ellis, DA.** (Apr 2020, cancelled due to COVID-19). Examining the Relationship between Neighborhood Adversity and Glycemic Control among African American Adolescents with Type 1 Diabetes. Poster to be presented at Warrior Scholars: The Wayne State University Conference for Undergraduate Research and Creative Work. (Yasir Mehmood was to present at WSU's UROP Conference which was cancelled due to COVID-19)

### Grant Announcements:

14 proposals were submitted with FM faculty as PI plus another 7 from other departments that included a FM faculty as Co-I during March-May.