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David Savitz, PhD, has been appointed the inaugural associate dean for research at the Brown University School of Public Health. Dr. Savitz previously served as vice president of research for Brown University and will retain his position as associate director for perinatal research at the Alpert Medical School. He is also a professor of epidemiology at the School of Public Health and a professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the Alpert Medical School.

Shaheen Islam, MBBS, has been named chief of the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine in the Department of Medicine at the Medical College of Georgia. Dr. Islam is the director of interventional pulmonology at the Ohio State University College of Medicine.

Kenneth Vega, MD, has been appointed chief of the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology in the Department of Medicine at the Medical College of Georgia. Dr. Vega previously served as chief of gastroenterology at National Jewish Health in Denver, Colo.

Galit Lahav, PhD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Systems Biology at Harvard Medical School. Dr. Lahav has served as deputy chair of the department since 2017.

Maie St. John, MD, PhD, has been named the Samuel and Della Pearlman Chair of the Department of Head and Neck Surgery in the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. Dr. St. John is codirector of the UCLA Head and Neck Cancer Program.

Angelo Giardino, MD, PhD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Pediatrics at University of Utah Health, effective June 4. Dr. Giardino is professor of pediatrics and section chief of academic general pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, as well as the senior vice president and chief quality officer at Texas Children’s Hospital.

The Rev. Kevin Fitzgerald, PhD, has been appointed the John A. Creighton University Professor endowed chair and associate professor in the Creighton University School of Medicine’s Department of Medical Education. Rev. Fitzgerald serves as the Dr. David Lauler Chair of Catholic Health Care Ethics in the Pellegrino Center for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University.

Laura Mosqueda, MD, has been named dean of the USC Keck School of Medicine, effective May 1. Dr. Mosqueda, who obtained her medical degree from USC, is professor of family medicine and geriatrics at Keck. She has served as interim dean since October 2017, and is the first woman to lead the school since its founding in 1885.

Evangeline Andarsio, MD, has been named president of the Ohio State Medical Association. Dr. Andarsio is clinical associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine.

Ali Rezai, MD, has been named John D. Rockefeller IV Chair in Neuroscience at West Virginia University (WVU). Dr. Rezai serves as executive chair, vice president, and associate dean of the
WVU Rockefeller Neuroscience Institute.

**Ned Kalin**, MD, has been named editor in chief of the American Journal of Psychiatry, effective Jan. 1. Dr. Kalin is the Hedberg Professor and chair of psychiatry at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health.

**Lisa Carey**, MD, has been appointed to the Susan G. Komen Scientific Advisory Board. Dr. Carey serves as physician in chief of the N.C. Cancer Hospital and as division chief of hematology and oncology and the Richardson and Marilyn Jacobs Preyer Distinguished Professor in Breast Cancer Research at UNC School of Medicine.

**Richard Gumina**, MD, PhD, has been named acting chief of the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine in the Department of Internal Medicine at University of Nebraska Medical Center.

**Steven Haist**, MD, has been named associate dean for the UK College of Medicine's Northern Kentucky regional campus. Dr. Haist previously served as internal medicine residency program director at the UK College of Medicine.

**S. Bruce Binder**, MD, PhD, has been named chair of the Department of Family Medicine at the Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective April 1, 2018. A faculty member since 1991, Dr. Binder is associate professor of family medicine and has served as interim chair since April 2017.

**Aleksandar Raikovic**, MD, PhD, has been appointed the first chief genomic officer of UCSF Health, effective May 1. Dr. Rajkovic previously served as the Marcus Allen Hogge Chair in Reproductive Sciences at Magee-Womens Hospital at UPMC.

AAMC President and CEO **Darrell G. Kirch**, MD, will receive The Arnold P. Gold Foundation’s national Humanism in Healthcare Medal at the Gold Foundation's 30th Anniversary Golden Thread Gala on June 13, in New York City. Dr. Kirch will be honored with actor, writer, and science communicator Alan Alda at the event. All are invited to celebrate the Gold Foundation's contributions to medical education; honor Dr. Kirch and Mr. Alda; and pay tribute to the legacy of the Gold Foundation's cofounder, the late Dr. Arnold P. Gold.

**Matthew Mell**, MD, has been appointed director of the UC Davis Vascular Center and chief of the Division of Vascular Surgery at UC Davis Health. Dr. Mell previously served as medical director of Stanford Health Care’s vascular surgery clinics, vascular lab, and ambulatory specialty care and vice chair of clinical affairs in the Department of Surgery at Stanford University.

**James McDonald**, MD, has been named Ernest J. Ferris, M.D., Chair in Diagnostic Radiology in the Department of Radiology at the UAMS College of Medicine. Dr. McDonald has served as chair of the department since November 2016.

**Kierstin Kennedy**, MD, has been named chief of hospital medicine at the UAB School of Medicine. Dr. Kennedy is clinical associate professor of medicine at UAB.

**Crayton Fargason**, MD, has assumed the additional role of director of neurodevelopmental initiatives at UAB Medicine. Dr. Fargason already serves as medical director and vice president of clinical affairs at Children’s of Alabama and as professor in the UAB Department of Pediatrics.

**Natalie Hogan**, MD, has been appointed chair of pediatrics at Dwaine and Cynthia Willett Children’s Hospital of Savannah at Memorial Health University Medical Center. Dr. Hogan has served as pediatric clerkship director of the Mercer University School of Medicine’s Savannah campus since 2003.

**Pascha Schafer**, MD, has been named associate chief medical officer and chief quality officer for
Augusta University Health. Dr. Shafer serves as associate professor in the Department of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, and in the Center for Bioethics and Health Policy at Augusta University.

Margot Savoy, MD, MPH, has been appointed chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University. Dr. Savoy has served as medical director of family medicine at Christiana Care Health System since 2008.

Peggy Farnham, PhD, has been named interim director of the University of Southern California Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center, effective June 1. Dr. Farnham serves as coleader of the epigenetics and regulation program and interim associate director for basic science at the cancer center.

William Ball, MD, will step down as dean of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in August. Dr. Ball has served as dean and senior vice president for health affairs since 2015.

Gordon Tomaselli, MD, has been named dean of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, effective July 1. Dr. Tomaselli will join Einstein from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine where he serves as chief of the Division of Cardiology and codirector of the Heart and Vascular Institute.

Katherine Chretien, MD, has been elected president-elect for the Clerkship Directors in Internal Medicine at the GW School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Dr. Chretien is assistant dean for student affairs and associate professor of medicine at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Thomas L. Campbell, MD, will step down from his position as chair of the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Rochester Medical Center in July 2019. Dr. Campbell has served as chair of the department for 15 years.

Robert M. Silver, MD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Utah School of Medicine. Dr. Silver has served as interim chair since 2016.

John F. Brick, MD, has been named associate dean for rural outreach at the West Virginia University School of Medicine. Dr. Brick previously served as the chair of the Department of Neurology at the School of Medicine.

Lia Suzanne Logio, MD, has been appointed the June F. Klinghoffer Distinguished Chair of the Department of Medicine at the Drexel University College of Medicine. Dr. Logio previously served as Herbert J. and Ann L. Siegel Distinguished Professor and vice chair for education in the Department of Medicine and as an associate dean of faculty development at Weill Cornell Medical College.

Retired U.S. Navy Captain Pius Aiyelawo, has been named COO of the NIH Clinical Center. Capt. Aiyelawo most recently served as assistant deputy director of research and development at the U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

David Brenner, MD, is stepping down from his role as dean of the University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine. Dr. Brenner will retain his position as vice chancellor of health sciences to focus on strategy, reported the San Diego Union-Tribune. Dr. Brenner served as dean and vice chancellor of health sciences for 11 years.

W. Paul Duprex, PhD, has been appointed director of the University of Pittsburgh’s Center for Vaccine Research. Dr. Duprex previously served as professor of microbiology at Boston University School of Medicine and director of bioimaging at the university’s National Emerging Infectious Diseases Laboratories (NEIDL).

Carl Smith, MD, has been appointed chief academic officer for Nebraska Medicine. Dr. Smith has served as president of University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) Physicians for the past eight
The University of Michigan Medical School made three new leadership announcements: Mark E.P. Prince, MD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery; Ella Kazerooni, MD, has been named interim chair of the Department of Radiology; and Seetha Monrad, MD, has been appointed assistant dean for assessment, evaluation, and quality improvement.

Anne C. Larkin, MD, has been appointed senior associate dean for educational affairs at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. Dr. Larkin serves as vice chair and associate professor of surgery at the medical school.

Narsing Rao, MD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Ophthalmology at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. Dr. Rao previously served as professor of ophthalmology at Keck.

Michael Brown, MD, has been appointed senior editor of Cochrane's Acute and Emergency Care Network. Dr. Brown is a CFAS rep from the Association of Academic Chairs of Emergency Medicine.

David Shulkin, MD, has been ousted as VA Secretary and the New York Times reported that the president is proposing White House physician Ronny L. Jackson, MD, a rear admiral in the Navy, as Shulkin’s replacement. The Washington Post additionally provided background on Dr. Jackson, as did the Atlantic, in an article headlined, “The Doctor Who Suddenly Got 9 Million Patients.”

Kenneth Ataga, MD, has been named director of the new Center for Sickle Cell Disease in the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Medicine, effective July 1. Dr. Ataga currently serves as professor in the Division of Hematology/Oncology at the UNC School of Medicine and director of the UNC Comprehensive Sickle Cell Program.

Paula Vertino, PhD, has been appointed director of translational research at the University of Rochester Medical Center and Wilmot Cancer Institute. Dr. Vertino previously served as a professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology at Emory University School of Medicine.

William Goldman, PhD, will step down from his position as chair of the Department of Microbiology and Immunology at the UNC School of Medicine. Dr. Goldman has served as chair for 10 years.

Brandt Wible, MD, has been appointed interim chair of the Department of Radiology at the UMKC School of Medicine, effective April 1. Dr. Wible is associate professor of radiology at UMKC.

Betty Drees, MD, has been appointed president of the Graduate School of the Stowers Institute for Medical Research. Dr. Drees is former dean of the UMKC School of Medicine.

Donna Elliott, MD, has been appointed vice dean for medical education and chair of the Department of Medical Education at the Keck School of Medicine of USC, effective July 1. Dr. Elliott most recently served as senior associate dean for student and educational affairs at Keck School of Medicine.

Steven L. Kanter, MD, dean of UMKC School of Medicine, has been named president of the Association of Academic Health Centers, effective July 1. Dr. Kanter served as editor in chief of Academic Medicine from 2008 to 2012.

Henri Ford, MD, has been named dean of the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. Dr. Ford has served as vice president and chief of surgery for the Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles for 13 years and is vice dean of medical education, and professor and vice chair for clinical affairs in the Department of Surgery at the Keck School of Medicine of USC. Various news outlets commented on Dr. Ford’s background as a Haitian immigrant and his climb through the ranks of American medicine. Dr. Ford will assume his new role June 1.
Robert Redfield, MD, has been appointed CDC director. Dr. Redfield is an infectious disease specialist with a focus on HIV and AIDS who serves as Robert C. Gallo, MD, Endowed Professor in Translational Medicine and cofounder and associate director of the Institute of Human Virology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine.

Primo Lara Jr., MD, has been named deputy chair of Southwest Oncology Group (SWOG), a research organization of more than 12,000 people at more than 1,000 hospitals and clinics that designs and conducts publicly funded cancer clinical trials. Dr. Lara is a professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at UC Davis School of Medicine and acting director of the UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center.

The NIH has awarded Charles O’Brien, PhD, $11.3 million to launch the Center for Musculoskeletal Disease Research at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS). Dr. O’Brien is a professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at UAMS.

Laura Kezar, MD, will step down as associate dean for students at the UAB School of Medicine, effective Aug. 1. Dr. Kezar has served in the position for 11 years.

Leighton Y. Huey, MD, has been named associate dean for behavioral health integration and community care transformation at Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine. Dr. Huey previously served as the Birnbaum/Blum Professor of Psychiatry, associate dean for community and continuing medical education, and chair of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Connecticut.

Jennifer Hagen, MD, has been appointed senior associate dean for faculty for the new Office for Faculty at the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine. Dr. Hagen previously served as professor of internal medicine at the School of Medicine.

Joel Dudley, PhD, has been named executive vice president for precision health at the Mount Sinai Health System. Dr. Dudley will continue in his role as the director of the Institute for Next Generation Healthcare at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.

Phyllis Horns, PhD, is stepping down from her position as vice chancellor of East Carolina University’s Division of Health Sciences, effective July 31. Dr. Horns has served as vice chancellor for nearly a decade.

J. Stephen Jones, MD, has been named CEO of Inova’s network of hospitals and health care centers. Dr. Jones comes to Inova from his position as president of Cleveland Clinic’s network of hospital and health care centers. His new role is effective April 9.

Karl Bilimoria, MD, has been elected president of the Association for Academic Surgery, a CFAS member society. Dr. Bilimoria serves as the John B. Murphy Professor of Surgery at the Feinberg School of Medicine and director of the Northwestern Surgical Outcomes and Quality Improvement Center.

James Cleary, MD, has been appointed director of the Walther Supportive Oncology Program at Indiana University School of Medicine. Dr. Cleary will also serve as Walther Senior Chair in Supportive Oncology. He is a professor of medicine at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health.

Edward M. Wolin, MD, has been appointed director of the Center for Carcinoid and Neuroendocrine Tumors at the Mount Sinai Health System’s Tisch Cancer Institute. Dr. Wolin was most recently director of the Endocrine and Neuroendocrine Tumor Program at Montefiore Einstein Center for Cancer Care.
David Noel, associate vice president of administration, finance, and operations for the University of Central Florida College of Medicine, has been terminated by the university after an anonymous worker complained to the university’s ethics hotline that he “mistreats his employees that are women,” reported the Orlando Sentinel.

Columbia University has removed Thomas Jessell, PhD, from his position as Claire Tow Professor in Motor Neuron Disorders and professor of neuroscience, biochemistry, and molecular biophysics after an internal university investigation uncovered violations of “university policies and values,” reported the New York Times.

Darrylinn Todd, EdD, has been named interim associate vice chancellor of student affairs and enrollment services at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. Dr. Todd will continue to serve as executive administrator in the office of academic, faculty, and student affairs.

Andrea Hayes-Jordan, MD, has been named chief of the Division of Pediatric Surgery at the UNC School of Medicine and surgeon in chief at the North Carolina Children’s Hospital. Dr. Hayes-Jordan serves as director of pediatric surgery and pediatric surgical oncology at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Shelton Earp, MD, has been named director of the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center. Dr. Earp has served as interim director since June 2017.

E. Steve Roach, MD, has been appointed section chief of pediatric neurosciences at Dell Children’s Medical Center of Central Texas and associate chair of the neurology department at Dell Medical School. Dr. Roach serves as professor of neurology and pediatrics at Ohio State University College of Medicine.

Dawn Bragg, PhD, has been appointed dean of medical student affairs at the University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine. Dr. Bragg previously served as associate dean of the office of student inclusion and academic enrichment at the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Daniel Van Durme, MD, has been appointed senior associate dean for clinical and community affairs at Florida State University College of Medicine. Dr. Van Durme served as chair of the Department of Family Medicine and Rural Health since 2004. As previously reported in CFAS News, Joedrecca Brown Speights, MD, a CFAS rep, will become interim chair.

Pope Moseley, MD, resigned from his roles as executive vice chancellor and dean of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences’ (UAMS) College of Medicine. Chris Westfall, MD, has been named interim dean while a national search is conducted.

Cynda Ann Johnson, MD, has announced her plans to retire as founding dean of the Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine. Dr. Johnson served as dean for more than a decade. She has also been a featured speaker at the CFAS spring meeting.

The American Diabetes Association named Eric L. Johnson, MD, chair of its Primary Care Advisory Group for a three-year term. Dr. Johnson is associate professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Michael Reddy, DMD, has been appointed dean of the UCSF School of Dentistry. Dr. Reddy previously served as dean of the UAB School of Dentistry.

Stephanie Davis, MD, has been appointed chair of the Department of Pediatrics at the UNC School of Medicine and physician in chief of UNC Children’s Hospital, effective July 23. Dr. Davis most recently served as vice chair for clinical affairs in the Department of Pediatrics; division chief for pediatric pulmonology, allergy, and sleep medicine; and director of ambulatory services at Riley...
University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) announced three new leadership appointments: **Howard Liu**, MD, has been named interim chair of the Department of Psychiatry, **Perry Johnson**, MD, has been named chief of the plastic and reconstructive surgery division in the Department of Surgery, and **Robert Cusick**, MD, has been named chief of the pediatric surgery division in the Department of Surgery.

**Barish Edil**, MD, has been named chair of the Department of Surgery at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. Dr. Edil comes to Oklahoma from the University of Colorado, Denver, where he served as chief of surgical oncology as well as director of the Pancreas and Biliary Surgery Program.

**Larry Goldberg** has been appointed president of at the university medical division at Banner Health. Goldberg has served as president of Loyola University Health System since 2011. His resignation from Loyola is effective April 13.

**John Noseworthy**, MD, will retire as CEO of Mayo Clinic at the end of this year, reported the *Star Tribune*. Dr. Noseworthy has served at the helm of Mayo Clinic since 2009.

**John V. Campo**, MD, has been named assistant dean of behavioral health and wellness, chief behavioral wellness officer, and professor in the WVU School of Medicine at the Rockefeller Neuroscience Institute. Dr. Campo previously served as the Sinsabaugh Professor and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health at the Ohio State University College of Medicine and Wexner Medical Center.

**Marlene Miller**, MD, has been named pediatrician-in-chief for the University Hospitals health system and chair of the Department of Pediatrics at UH Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Miller previously served at Johns Hopkins Children’s Center in Baltimore, Md., where she was vice chair of quality and safety and chief quality officer of pediatrics for the health system.

**Sandra LaBlance**, PhD, has been named associate dean for student affairs at Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine. Dr. LaBlance previously served as assistant dean at Loyola University Chicago and as director of academic and career counseling at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine.

**John Warner**, MD, has been appointed executive vice president for health system affairs at the UT Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas. Dr. Warner previously served as CEO of UT Southwestern’s University Hospitals.

**Elisabeth Young**, MD, has been named vice president for health affairs and dean of the Northeast Ohio Medical University College of Medicine. Dr. Young has served in an interim role in those positions since December 2016.

**Sylvie Naar**, PhD, will direct Florida State University’s new Center for Translational Behavioral Research. Naar is moving to Tallahassee from Detroit, where she was professor and director of the Division of Behavioral Sciences at Wayne State University.

**Gregory G. Maskarinec**, PhD, has been appointed director of global and international health at the University of Hawai‘i John A. Burns School of Medicine. Dr. Maskarinec is a cultural anthropologist who served for 20 years in the Departments of Native Hawaiian Health and Family Medicine and Community Health at the school of medicine.

**Brenda Roman**, MD, has been named associate dean for medical education, effective Feb. 1, at Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine. Dr. Roman served at the school as assistant...
dean for medical education and educational research for the past four years, and she is also a professor of psychiatry there.

**Susan Kaib**, MD, has been named associate dean of student affairs at the University of Arizona College of Medicine–Phoenix, and Glen Fogerty, PhD, has been appointed associate dean of admissions and recruitment at the College of Medicine. Dr. Kaib previously served as interim associate dean of student affairs, and Dr. Fogerty has served as interim assistant dean of the Office of Admissions and Recruitment and assistant professor in bioethics and medical humanism.

**Thomas Buchholz**, MD, has been named medical director of the Scripps MD Anderson Cancer Center, a comprehensive, clinically integrated cancer care program in San Diego, which is expected to open for patient care in summer 2018. Dr. Buchholz comes to San Diego after 20 years at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

**Brenda Fitzgerald**, MD, has resigned from her position as CDC director due to conflicts of interest arising from her financial investments in tobacco and health care companies, reported the *New York Times*. A press release from HHS stated, "Dr. Fitzgerald owns certain complex financial interests that have imposed a broad recusal limiting her ability to complete all of her duties as the CDC Director. Due to the nature of these financial interests, Dr. Fitzgerald could not divest from them in a definitive time period.” Anne Schuchat, MD, has been named acting director.

**Sharad Ghamande**, MD, chief of the Section of Gynecologic Oncology at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University, has been named executive vice chair of the MCG Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Ghamande, who also is associate director for clinical research and trials and the Georgia Cancer Center at AU, will oversee clinical and educational affairs in the department.

**Frank Friedenberg**, MD, has been named chief of the Section of Gastroenterology at Temple University Hospital and at the Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University. Dr. Friedenberg is professor of medicine at the school and has served as interim chief of gastroenterology at Temple since April 6.

**Charles J. Ryan**, MD, has been appointed the director of the Hematology, Oncology, and Transplantation Division in the Department of Medicine at the University of Minnesota Medical School. He also will serve as associate director for clinical research in the Masonic Cancer Center and will hold the B.J. Kennedy Chair in Clinical Medical Oncology.

**Alexander Khalessi**, MD, has been named chair of the Department of Neurosurgery at UC San Diego Health and chief of the Division of Neurosurgery in the Department of Surgery at University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine.

**Kathy S. Albain**, MD, has been named the inaugural Huizenga Family Endowed Chair in Oncology Research at Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine. Dr. Albain is professor in the Division of Hematology/Oncology in the Department of Medicine at Stritch.

The Senate confirmed **Alex Azar** as the new HHS secretary to replace Tom Price, MD, after Price's resignation last year. Azar held senior-level positions in the George W. Bush administration, and more recently was an executive for Eli Lilly. His connection to the pharmaceutical industry has drawn criticism from consumer groups and others.

**Christopher M. Whitt**, PhD, will become Creighton University’s first Vice Provost for Institutional Diversity and Inclusion. Dr. Whitt most recently served as associate professor and chair in the Department of Political Science at Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill., where he founded and directed the Center for Inclusive Leadership and Equity.

**Matthew Kulke**, MD, will become the Chief of the Section of Hematology/Oncology in the
Department of Medicine at Boston Medical Center and Zoltan Kohn Professor of Medicine at Boston University School of Medicine, effective March 1. He also will serve as Deputy Director of the BU-BMC Cancer Center and Medical Director of the Clinical Cancer Center at BMC.

**Mark Veich** has been appointed vice provost for external affairs at Weill Cornell Medicine, effective Feb. 12. Mr. Veich is arriving from Michigan Medicine, where he is managing director for development.

**Dorit Donoviel**, PhD, associate professor in the Center for Space Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, has been named director of the Translational Research Institute (TRI) for Space Health at Baylor. Dr. Donoviel worked for nine years at the National Space Biomedical Research Institute as deputy chief scientist. The NASA-funded consortium of institutions, including Baylor College of Medicine, studied the health risks related to long-duration spaceflight.

**Hugo R. Rosen**, MD, has been named chair of the Department of Medicine at the Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California, effective May 1. Dr. Rosen joins Keck from the University of Colorado School of Medicine, where he has been head of the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology since 2005.

**Sally A. Moody**, PhD, has been named chair of the Department of Anatomy and Regenerative Biology at the George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. Dr. Moody has been interim chair since July 2016.

After 33 years of service, **Martin Frank**, PhD, is stepping down as executive director of the American Physiological Society, a CFAS member. APS is actively recruiting for a successor.

**Robert D. Simari**, MD, has been named executive vice chancellor for the University of Kansas Medical Center. Dr. Simari will continue to serve as executive dean for the School of Medicine as a national search for his replacement begins in the coming weeks.

**Darrell G. Kirch**, MD, announced yesterday he has decided to step out of his role as AAMC president and CEO on June 30, 2019. In the months to come, the association will conduct a nationwide search for his successor. Dr. Kirch has served as president and CEO since July 2006. The search will be led by the AAMC Board of Directors, with Marsha D. Rappley, MD, AAMC immediate past chair, chairing the committee. The AAMC will announce more details about the process in the coming weeks.

**Catherine M. Robertson**, MD, has been named chief of sports medicine at UC San Diego Health. Dr. Robertson is head team physician for the San Diego Padres, for which UC San Diego Health is the official health care provider, and the lead physician in the health system's partnership with the U.S. Olympic Committee.

**Hal Skopicki**, MD, PhD, has been appointed chief of cardiology in the Department of Medicine and deputy director of operations in the Stony Brook University Heart Institute. He succeeds Javed Butler, MD, who is leaving Stony Brook to assume a new position as Chair of the Department of Medicine at the University of Mississippi School of Medicine.

**Eric Williams**, MD, has been named assistant dean of student affairs at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine. Dr. Williams already held a faculty position at the school.

**Josh Baker**, PhD, has been appointed interim chair of the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine. Dr. Baker has been on the UNR faculty since 2004.

**William Gerthoffer**, PhD, has been named acting senior associate dean for research at the University of Nevada, Reno, School of Medicine. Dr. Gerthoffer rejoins UNR after recently retiring as chair of biochemistry at the University of South Alabama College of Medicine, where he served for a
decade.

**Jun Li**, MD, PhD, has been appointed chair of the Wayne State University Department of Neurology, effective March 19. Dr. Li is now professor of neurology at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. He additionally will serve as the first scientific director of the Translational Neuroscience Initiative at Wayne State.

**David J. Kennedy**, MD, has been named chair of the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, effective April 1. Dr. Kennedy has most recently served as clinical associate professor and residency program director in the Division of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in Stanford School of Medicine’s Department of Orthopaedics.

**Seth S. Himelhoch**, MD, has been named chair of psychiatry at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine. He comes to UK from the University of Maryland, where he was a professor of psychiatry.

**John S. Kuo**, MD, will be the inaugural chair of the Department of Neurosurgery, and the surgical director of the Mulva Clinic for the Neurosciences, for Dell Medical School at the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Kuo comes to Dell from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he is professor of neurological surgery and director of the Comprehensive Brain Tumor Program.

The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) has named pediatric neurologist **Nina Schor**, MD, PhD as deputy director. Dr. Schor joins NINDS from the University of Rochester, where she served as chair of the Department of Pediatrics and pediatrician-in-chief at Golisano Children’s Hospital.

**L. Lee Isley**, PhD, has been named president and CEO of Nash UNC Health Care.

**David A. Rogers**, MD, senior associate dean for faculty affairs and professional development in the UAB School of Medicine, became the institution’s inaugural chief wellness officer at the start of 2018. Dr. Rogers is a CFAS representative for the Association of Surgical Educators.

**John Packham**, PhD, has been named associate dean for the Office of Statewide Initiatives at the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine. The appointment became effective Jan. 2.

**E. Nathan Thomas**, PhD, joined the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine as its new associate dean for diversity and inclusion in December.

**Sue Ann Sisto**, PT, MA, PhD, will become the new chair of the Department of Rehabilitation Science at the University at Buffalo. She begins her new position on Jan. 18.

**Trudy Mallinson**, PhD, started her new role as associate dean for health sciences research at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences on Jan. 1.

Also at George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, **Stephen Teach**, MD, MPH, assumed an additional role as associate dean of pediatric academic affairs. Dr. Teach will continue as chair of the Department of Pediatrics. The appointment was effective Jan. 1.

**Rita Charon**, MD, PhD, professor of medicine at CUMC, is the inaugural chair of a new department at Columbia University Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons: Department of Medical Humanities and Ethics. The department launched on Jan. 1.

**Julie Gentile**, MD, has been named chair of the Department of Psychiatry at the Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine, effective Jan. 1. She also serves as a professor in the department and has taught at Wright State University since 2000.