

September 2024

GIR News and Business

GIR Webinar: Breaking Barriers - Fostering a Culture of Inclusion and Accessibility (Part 1)

Tuesday, October 8, 2024
12:30-2:00 p.m. ET

This 90-minute webinar is part of a two-part series, hosted by the Group on Information Resources, that will explore the responsibility we all have to provide an appropriate education to all students, and not just typical learners. In the first part of this series, we will begin with a student sharing their experiences in medical education, highlighting the accessibility challenges that impeded their learning journey. We will then look at accessibility measures we can take in the physical classroom space. Finally, we will begin discussion on how to advocate for learners' needs within your institution.

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IT Operations - 2024 GIR Quarterly Calls

Save the date for the quarterly GIR IT Operations calls. These calls focus on hot topics pertaining to IT operations within the academic medicine community. These quarterly calls seek to facilitate networking with peers by learning from each other through promising practices.

We invite you to forward these calls to any colleagues who may be interested in participating. Make sure to [SAVE THE DATE](#) for the last call of the year:

Oct 24, 2024 1:00 PM ET - IT Consolidations

Research Technology Work Group Call (RTWG) Recording: A Case Study - Data Governance for Sharing and Access to Real-World Data at the University of Iowa.

In August, Heath Davis, MS, MLIS, FAMIA, Assistant Director for Biomedical Informatics

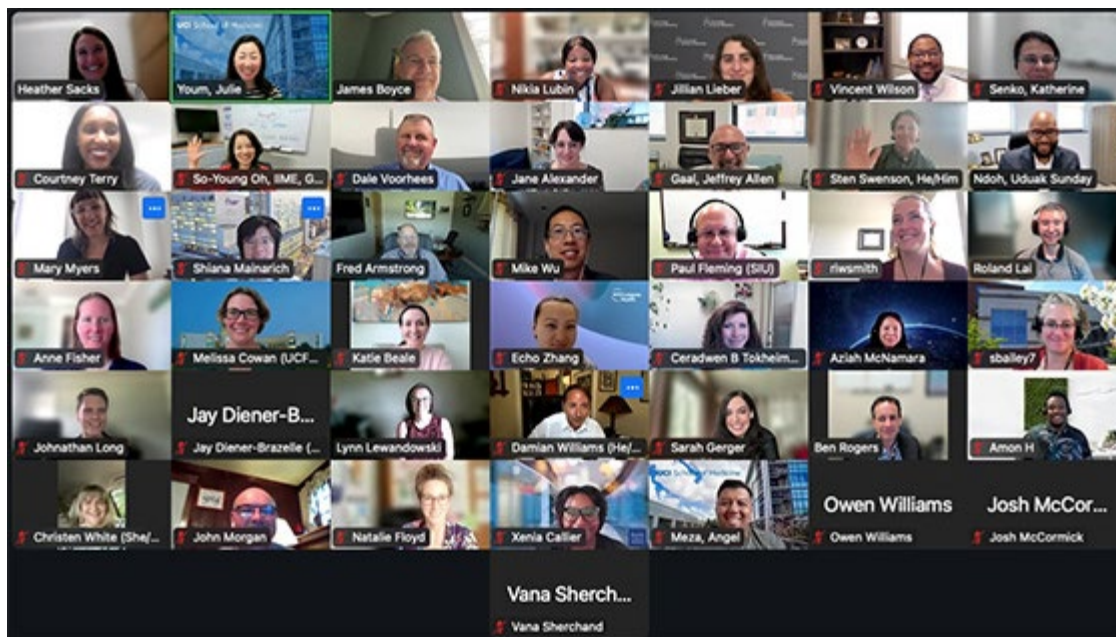
at the University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine presented A Case Study: Data Governance for Sharing and Access to Real-World Data at the University of Iowa. [Vimeo recording](#)

Recording Available: Data-Driven Academic Medical Centers (DDAMC) Work Group

The August DDAMC call featured a poster presentation titled Beyond the Blueprint: Optimizing Space in the Department of Medicine at UCSF, presented by Sara Wingate, Project Manager, Chair's Office, Department of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco, and Danielle Mizuri, Project Manager, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine. While the presentation was not recorded, the presenters did share their poster from the GBA/GIP 2024 Joint Spring Meeting; the [PDF poster can be viewed here](#).

GIR Mentorship Circle Kick-off Orientation Call

On Thursday, August 29th, the GIR officially kicked-off the inaugural cycle of the GIR Mentorship Circle Program with an orientation session for mentors and mentees. This year's cohort includes six circles, that are comprised of two mentors and up to seven mentees. The program runs for nine months, September through May, and we hope that all participants have a fulfilling experience.



To learn more about this program, please visit the GIR website: [GIR Mentorship Circle Program](#).

Register Now for Learn Serve Lead 2024: The AAMC Annual Meeting, taking place in Atlanta, Georgia!



Registration is open for Learn Serve Lead 2024: The AAMC Annual Meeting, taking place in Atlanta Nov. 8-12. This annual event draws thousands of attendees from across the academic medicine community to connect with thought leaders and spark conversation on critical issues impacting medical education and patient care. Register now to access all programming, including plenary sessions, the Voices of Medicine and Society lecture series, and more than 100 breakout sessions.

[Sessions of Interest to GIR Members](#)

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Save the Date: 2025 Emerging Technologies for Teaching and Learning: Digital Demonstrations Virtual Conference

MedBiquitous and the AAMC Affinity Groups on Information Resources (GIR), Educational Affairs (GEA), and Student Affairs (GSA) are co-sponsoring the "2025 Emerging Technologies for Teaching and Learning: Digital Demonstrations Virtual Conference" - an inaugural joint effort! This virtual event takes place Feb. 5-6, 2025. [Save the date.](#) Registration will open in early November and registration prices will be announced then.

Save the Date and join us in Minneapolis for the 2025 Information

Technology in Academic Medicine Conference

May 28 - May 30, 2025

Pre-conference on May 28th - **Data Symposium: Designing the Future**



Join in our Virtual Communities

GIR members are currently engaged in two AAMC Virtual Communities. The Information Technology in Academic Medicine Virtual Community is open to anyone, and members gain access to a library, which contains resources such as presentations, videos, webinars, articles, and more. Recent posts to the *IT in Academic Medicine* community include discussions around attendance tools, text-to-speech applications, curriculum mapping and highlights of upcoming AAMC webinars.

The GIR Work Group Hub is a repository of agendas and presentations from the monthly GIR Work Group calls.

If you don't have an account already, please [request one here](#) and note that you would like to join either/both communities.

Join a GIR Work Group

Work Groups exist to implement the strategic initiatives and actions of the GIR. Participation in a Work Group will help professionals within academic medicine grow and learn in their professional roles and develop their leadership capacities. Work Group members actively participate in hour-long monthly conference calls and may be asked to join project teams or contribute knowledge in between calls. Current GIR Work Groups:

- Diversity and Inclusion (GIRDI)
- Education Technology (ETWG)
- Research Technology (RTWG)
- Data-Driven Academic Medical Centers (DDAMC)

More information on GIR Work Groups is [available here](#), and if you are interested in joining a Work Group, please contact gir@aamc.org.

GIR Listserv Archives

The GIR listserv is a great way to connect with colleagues across the country about topics of interest.

August topics: System to Manage User Biographical Information - 3 Years Later

To access the archives: <https://lists.aamc.org/read/?forum=gir>

To post a question: gir@lists.aamc.org

AAMC News

Register for virtual AAMC Awards Recognition Event

Join the AAMC on Oct. 30 from 4-5:15 p.m. ET for a virtual celebration to recognize the recipients of the 2024 AAMC Awards. Each of the honored individuals and institutions is making significant advances in medical education, cutting-edge patient care, outstanding community engagement, and groundbreaking research. There is no fee for this event, but registration is required. [Register Now](#)

AAMC recognizes recipients of 2024 ACE Award for Advocacy, Collaboration, and Education

The AAMC has honored four academic medicine champions with the 2024 AAMC ACE Award for Advocacy, Collaboration, and Education: Rep. Joyce Beatty (D-OH), chair emerita of the Congressional Black Caucus; Henri Ford, MD, MHA, dean and chief academic officer of the University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine; Elena Rios, MD, MSPH, president of the National Hispanic Health Foundation; and Melanie Valentín, a fourth-year medical student at Michigan State University College of Human Medicine. Established in 2023, ACE award recipients are honored for leading and collaborating with the nation's medical schools and academic health systems and teaching hospitals to improve the health of patients, families, and communities nationwide. "The AAMC recognizes the 2024 ACE Award honorees for their leadership in the academic medicine community and their work to elevate the contributions of diverse physicians, which improves the health of communities nationwide," said Danielle Turnipseed, JD, MHSA, MPP, AAMC chief public policy officer. [Read More](#)

AAMC recognizes recipients of 2024 Research in Medical Education Awards

The AAMC has named recipients of its 2024 Research in Medical Education Awards in four categories: trainee; new investigator; underrepresented in medicine research; and outstanding research. The awarded papers will be published in the November issue of

Academic Medicine and author teams will be recognized during a reception at Learn Serve Lead 2024: The AAMC Annual Meeting. [Read More](#)

MedBiquitous: The Vision Forward

Over the past year, the MedBiquitous team actively engaged with your ideas and feedback to enhance our program's ability to meet the current and future needs of our community. We've streamlined various aspects of the program to focus more effectively on three key pillars:

- **Standards and Guidelines:** We are reaffirming our commitment to the program's vision by updating technical standards, refining standardized vocabularies, and providing implementation support to better serve the community.
- **Community Engagement:** We have expanded both in-person and virtual opportunities, reinforcing our dedication to connecting and supporting the entire health professions education (HPE) continuum.
- **Innovation:** Through collaborative and exploratory initiatives, we are uniting the diverse HPE community and industry to drive forward new ideas and advancements.

We've also simplified the program's participation fee model, as well as streamlined our processes and paperwork. To learn more about joining as a Participant of MedBiquitous, [visit our website](#).

AAMC Center for Health Justice names collaborators to share their environmental justice stories

The AAMC Center for Health Justice is committed to amplifying the voices of all communities and sharing their insights for environmental justice action. The center has selected five diverse organizations from across the United States to tell their stories about environmental injustice where they live and how they have worked with their communities to create a healthier, more just environment. The selected organizations are the Amanecer People's Project, Ramapough Lenape Turtle Clan-NYU Health Action Alliance, Casa Familiar, Estelita's Library Solidarity House Project, and the University of Notre Dame and the Braiding Seeds Fellowship/Soul Fire Farm. The inspiring multimedia stories from these organizations will be shared in late 2024 and throughout 2025. [Read More](#)

AAMC statement on Senate Appropriations Committee's FY 2025 HHS spending bill

AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, and Chief Public Policy Officer Danielle Turnipseed, JD, MHSA, MPP, issued a statement in response to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies (Labor-HHS) spending bill approved on Aug. 1 by the Senate Appropriations Committee. "The AAMC applauds the Senate Appropriations Committee for working in a bipartisan manner to draft and approve a FY 2025 spending bill that bolsters funding for the National Institutes of

Health (NIH), the Health Resources and Services Administration health workforce programs, and other key public health programs and agencies, particularly in a year when appropriators faced challenges drafting a spending bill under an impractical discretionary spending cap. We also greatly appreciate the bipartisan commitment by the committee to avoid problematic policy provisions that would impose arbitrary restrictions on efforts to advance research, education, workforce diversity and health equity, public health, and health care." [Read More](#)

Learning Opportunities

Webinar on Improving Access to Mental Health Care by Revising Licensing and Credentialing Processes

In collaboration with the Council of Deans (COD), the AAMC will host a webinar on **September 9 from 5-6:15 PM ET**, titled "Addressing Systemic Barriers to Accessing Mental Health Care Along the Continuum: Advocating for Changes to Licensing and Credentialing Processes." Panelists from the University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine, Massachusetts Health & Hospital Association, and Dr. Lorna Breen Heroes' Foundation will share stories about cross-organizational efforts to evaluate and eliminate probing questions about physician applicants' mental health, addiction, or substance use present in licensing and credentialing processes. The discussion will provide useful strategies for members of the academic medicine community to use when advocating for changes to mental health disclosure questions used by state medical boards or partner hospital and health systems in their regions. [Register Now](#)

Register Now for "The Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools in the Scholarly Publishing Process: Considerations and Practical Suggestions for Scholars"

AI is changing scholarly publishing. In this webinar on **Tuesday, September 10 at 1:00 p.m. (EDT)** speakers with experience as researchers and publishers will address the opportunities and challenges that AI affords to scholars and the scholarly publishing process. They'll explore when and how scholars can use AI tools in writing up and publishing their research and scholarship, including considerations and practical suggestions for how to do so responsibly. [Register Now](#)

Call for submissions for 2024 IPEC Poster Fair

The Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC), of which the AAMC is a member, is calling for posters for the IPEC Poster Fair, which provides an opportunity to share interprofessional education for collaborative projects and practices implemented by health professions schools and programs. IPEC welcomes posters sharing interprofessional projects and practices across all disciplines, and at various stages of development and implementation.

A free online event, the showcase is a venue to show IPECP experiences in exploring,

designing, and/or implementing interprofessional activities. Presentations will be peer-reviewed, and awardees will be featured in the [IPEC Poster Collection](#). [Read More](#)

Register for AAMC Telehealth Equity Catalyst Award virtual symposium presentations

The AAMC [Advancing Health Equity Through Telehealth Learning Series](#) highlights the role of academic medicine in promoting and advancing health equity through telehealth. This virtual symposium takes place on Sept. 13, and AAMC Telehealth Equity Catalyst (TEC) Award-winning institutions will discuss how they use telehealth and health technologies to address barriers to access and health care inequities in their communities. Presenters will also highlight how the TEC awards have supported their successful efforts. All individuals interested in telehealth and health equity issues are invited to register for this free virtual learning series. [Register Now](#)

Register for AAMC CHARGE webinar on advocating for health equity

Achieving health equity and ensuring all communities thrive requires systems-level change to policies and regulations. Join the AAMC's [Collaborative for Health Equity: Act. Research. Generate Evidence](#) (CHARGE) on Sept. 19 at 3 p.m. ET for a webinar and discussion about the many ways to advocate for health equity. Hear from experts from diverse sectors who are advocating for health equity every day, from the halls of Congress to their own communities or through comment letters to federal agencies. [Register Now](#)

Submit Your Education Scholarship Today!

Group on Educational Affairs (GEA), Group on Student Affairs (GSA), Organization of Student Representatives (OSR) Regional Spring Meeting

Proposals are now being accepted for the 2025 GEA/GSA/OSR Joint Regional Conferences! Below, you will find links to both the submission guidelines and the conference submission websites. All submissions must adhere to the structure and format described in each session type submission guidelines.

All submissions are due October 10 at 11:59 p.m. local time for each region.

Central Region

Targeting early-April 2025* in Detroit, MI

[Submission Guidelines](#)

[Submission Website](#)

Northeast Region

April 9-11, 2025 in New Brunswick, NJ

[Submission Guidelines](#)

[Submission Website](#)

Southern Region

April 28-30, 2025 in Miami, FL

[Submission Guidelines](#)

[Submission Website](#)

Western Region

May 2-5, 2025 in Portland, OR

[Submission Guidelines](#)

[Submission Website](#)

*Note: Regional conference dates will be confirmed shortly. Timeframes listed are intended to give an indicator of when in the month the conference is likely to occur in lieu of specific dates.

Register Now! GBA/GIP Virtual Programming: 10 Steps to Starting, Refining, or Refreshing Your Strategy Office

October 17, 2024

4:00 pm-5:00 pm ET

REGISTER TODAY

Defining the role of a strategy office or team is imperative to preparing for the future of academic medicine. In this webinar, participants will gain practical knowledge to establish, refine, or refresh a strategy office or team. The webinar draws on the experiences of University of South Florida Health and Johns Hopkins Medicine, each with unique strategy offices. Presenters will share a 10-step process covering topics, such as using generative AI to support office planning, developing a purpose statement, identifying strategy services, selecting a change management model, developing an operational budget, identifying team roles, and prioritizing strategic initiatives. Participants will walk away with tools and templates to successfully plan for a strategy office or refresh/refine existing strategic operations.

Register Now for A Mile in Their Shoes - What Kind of Team Culture are You Cultivating? Webinar

Join us on October 29 from 12:00-1:00 pm ET for A Mile in Their Shoes - What Kind of Team Culture are You Cultivating? Webinar led by Heather VuÅ etin, Vice President Development at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; Lauren McConville, Partner and National & Academic Health System Practice Leader at Jarrard Inc.; and Shashea Adams-Guess, Associate Vice President of Advancement Strategy and Operations at University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center. Participants will step into the shoes of those they lead and explore top-of-mind issues, like confronting bias, inclusion and belonging, and career growth. Throughout this webinar, participants will reflect on how their own leadership behaviors, including ways they collect and implement feedback and impact team culture and experiences. Sponsored by the Group on Institutional Advancement and open to anyone working at an AAMC member institution. [Register Now](#)

2024 Alliance Annual Meeting

Thursday, November 7, 2024

Atlanta, Georgia

REGISTER NOW

We are excited to announce that [the full agenda](#) for the 2024 Alliance Annual Meeting is now available! This year's event, [Advancing the Academic Mission at a Complex Academic Health Center](#), will take place in Atlanta on November 7th. It's the perfect precursor to [Learn Serve Lead 2024: The AAMC Annual Meeting](#), running from November 8-12.

Register now to gain full access to both the Alliance Annual Meeting and all Learn Serve Lead programming. Whether you opt for the full conference or a one-day pass, this event offers unparalleled opportunities to engage with leading minds in academic medicine.

Save the Date: GBA/GIP 2025 Joint Spring Meeting!

Hyatt Regency - Phoenix, Arizona

April 23-25, 2025



Call for proposals will be opening in early September!

Call for Proposals Now Open, Submit Your Education Scholarship Today!
Learn Serve Lead 2025: The AAMC Annual Meeting

The AAMC invites proposals for Learn Serve Lead 2025: The AAMC Annual Meeting. The call for medical education submissions consists of three types: (1) Sessions on Medical Education Proposals, (2) Research Abstracts, and (3) Innovation Abstracts. Work focused on a wide variety of themes incorporating a broad representation of topics, institutions, and presenters is selected for presentation each year.

The Medical Education call for abstract submissions is now open!

[Submission Guidelines](#)

[Submission Website](#)

All abstract and paper submissions are due December 2 at 11:59 pm PT.

New "Academic Medicine Podcast" episode on accessibility and inclusion in the clinical learning environment

On a new episode of the "Academic Medicine Podcast," Theresa Papich, MD, Lisa Meeks, PhD, MA, and Timothy Gilbert, MD, join host Toni Gallo to discuss ways to foster an accessible and inclusive learning environment for medical students with disabilities and left-handed medical students during surgical training. They explore partnering with students, reducing bias and raising awareness around disability and inclusion, and addressing the hidden curriculum to create an inclusive learning environment where students feel welcome and supported throughout their medical education. The episode is available on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and anywhere podcasts are available. [Listen Now](#)

New "Docs With Disabilities" podcast episode on wellness, disability, and intersectionality

On a new episode of the "Docs With Disabilities" podcast, AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, and Amy Addams, AAMC director of student affairs alignment and holistic review, join host Lisa Meeks, PhD, and a medical student to tackle the critical issues of burnout, mental health, and disability inclusion in medical education. The conversation provides an overview on the current state of burnout and well-being among medical students, residents, and fellows, while also highlighting the AAMC's efforts to address these challenges through targeted initiatives and collaborations. The episode can be found on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, and other platforms. [Listen Now and Read the Transcript](#)

Publications & Resources

New article examines social needs screening in academic health systems

A new article co-authored by the AAMC and published in Population Health Management explores screening for social needs, which has gained traction as an approach to addressing social determinants of health, but it faces challenges regarding standardization, resource allocation, and follow-up care. A year-long study conducted by the AAMC uses integrated data from conferences, surveys, and key informant interviews

to examine the integration of social needs screening into health care services within academic health systems (AHS). The authors' analysis unveiled eight key themes, showcasing AHS's active involvement in targeted social needs screening alongside persistent resource allocation obstacles. [Read More](#)

Medical School Finance Tables and Graphs

The AAMC Medical School Finance Tables and Graphs summarize data from the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) Part I-A Annual Medical School Financial Questionnaire (AFQ) administered by the AAMC. The recent data cover the 157 U.S. MD-granting medical education programs with preliminary, provisional, or full LCME accreditation during fiscal year (FY) 2023.

The medical school revenue data are presented in a variety of formats and include, for example, aggregate recorded, not recorded, and total medical school revenues by source for public and private medical schools. One-year and ten-year percent changes are available. National total medical school revenues from FY 1977 through FY 2023 are also available.

The Medical School Finance Tables and Graphs are updated annually each June and are publicly available at aamc.org/data/finance. Questions about the Medical School Finance Tables and Graphs can be sent to afq@aamc.org.

New searchable data snapshot page for medical school operations reports

[AAMC Medical School Operations](#) (MSO) is committed to offering data, tools, and research to help medical schools work better. It's now easier than ever to find helpful trends and benchmarking reports related to organizational structures, research space, and practices that support engagement and equity among faculty and staff. All recent snapshots are now located on a [single, searchable page](#). Still not finding what you're looking for? [Contact the MSO team](#) to get connected with the available AAMC data and reports that support your institutional decision-making.

Recommended Reading & Listening

AAMCNews: 6 common myths about diversity, equity, and inclusion in medical schools

As DEI efforts face criticism and are being defunded in some states, DEI leaders say the work is essential to improving health care for all. A new [AAMC fact sheet](#) on DEI in medical schools further explores this important issue. [Read More](#)

AAMCNews: 5 medical breakthroughs that ease pain and save lives

From a supersmart bionic leg to gene therapy for deafness, we look at recent advancements from academic medicine that aim to reduce suffering and treat disease.

[Read More](#)

AAMCNews: Ozone: An unseen health threat makes a comeback with climate change

U.S. laws have reduced ground-level ozone since the 1970s, but scientists warn that rising temperatures will fuel more of the gas and stall pollution reduction. [Read More](#)

AAMCNews: Why do people respond to stress and trauma so differently? The emerging field of neuroresilience may have answers

A multidisciplinary approach to studying and treating brain disorders is shedding light on the physiological mechanisms that may be behind psychological distress. [Read More](#)

Welcome New Members

(August 1-31, 2024)

Lee Flood

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