GBA News and Business

GBA Awards
Consider nominating a colleague for the GBA Awards. The GBA has three categories of awards: Emeritus, Service with Distinction, and Honorary Member. These categories of awards are intended to provide a standard for the organization to recognize members who have retired, are planning retirement, or who leave academic medicine, and have provided outstanding commitment to the GBA. Contributions may have been provided in the form of leadership, exemplary service to the organization, and wisdom. Each candidate must be nominated by an active member of the GBA. Candidates may not nominate themselves. The nominating member must forward a nominating letter recommending the category, either "Emeritus", "Service with Distinction" or "Honorary Member". The nomination letter should include information about the candidate’s contributions to the GBA over the years and why you feel they are deserving of this recognition. This letter should be forwarded to the AAMC/GBA staff - kbeale@aamc.org or hsacks@aamc.org by December 31st.

AAMC Group on Business Affairs Webinar – Student Debt Strategies
November 21, 2019
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM (EST)
Register Now
This webinar, sponsored by the Group on Business Affairs - Data and Benchmarking Committee will focus on student debt strategies. The first part of the webinar will offer an overview of AAMC's FIRST (Financial Information, Resources, Services, and Tools) program. Included in that presentation will be an overview of how medical schools utilize the FIRST program, along with a discussion of the data on specialty choice and student debt, among other topics. The second part of the webinar will feature the efforts at the Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine around debt management, including the Abigail Geisinger Scholars Program.

Speakers:
Julie Fresne, Senior Director, Student Financial & Career Advising Services, Student Affairs and Programs
Association of American Medical Colleges
Anna Arvay, CPA, MBA, Vice-President Finance and Administration/Chief Financial Officer
Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine
Michelle Schmude, EdD, MBA, Associate Dean for Admissions, Enrollment Management & Financial Aid and Assistant Professor
Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine

Save the Date - GBA/GIP 2020 Joint Spring Meeting
April 21-24, 2020
GBA Listserv Archive Messages – October
Questions on the following topics were posted to the GBA Listserve in October: Independent contractors versus employees; Mobile app for patient scheduling; Incentive credit for lactation breaks; research activity pricing for hospital based imaging. You can access the GBA Listserve archives here.

AAMC News

September 2019 Policy and Regulatory Updates
You may access the summary here.

AAMC files amicus brief in DACA case
The AAMC, joined by 32 other health professional education organizations, filed an amicus brief in a U.S. Supreme Court case on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Oral arguments in the case are scheduled for Nov. 12. The brief argues that medical schools, hospitals, and patients have come to rely upon the DACA program, and that the health care workforce stands to lose an estimated 27,000 professionals if DACA is rescinded. Read More

The Harvard admissions case: 5 key takeaways for medical schools
While a federal district court judge recently upheld Harvard University’s use of race-conscious admissions policies, medical schools would be wise to revisit their own. Geoffrey Young, PhD, senior director of student affairs and programs for the AAMC, recommends five key takeaways that can be gleaned from the court’s decision. Read More

AAMC president and CEO connects with learners in new #HeartToHeart series
AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, has launched a weekly conversation series on social media, #HeartToHeart, to connect with premed students, medical students, and residents. Each week, Dr. Skorton shares experiences from his journey in medicine and invites learners to share their own experiences. Read More

Learning Opportunities

Call for Proposals Now Open!
2020 Information Technology in Academic Medicine Conference, Sponsored by the Group on Information Resources (GIR)

Submit a Proposal

For more information, please see the instruction guide. Submission deadline: December 12, 2019, 11:59 pm PST.
Register Now – Leading Information Technology in Academic Medicine
Leaders in information technology, informatics, data analytics, security administration, business intelligence and operations, registration is now open for the Leading Information Technology in Academic Medicine seminar. As a participant, you will experience the unique opportunity to enhance your abilities in key areas like leadership presence, communication, and working with different personality types while increasing your knowledge of academic medicine’s core mission areas, so that you can more effectively serve your institution. Register by November 22nd to take advantage of the early bird rate!

Save the Date
2020 AAMC Group on Faculty Affairs (GFA) Professional Development Conference
July 21 - 24, 2020
Hyatt Regency Portland at the Oregon Convention Center
Portland, Oregon

Now accepting session proposals for the GWIMS and GREAT Joint Professional Development Conference
In 2020, the AAMC Graduate Research, Education and Training (GREAT) Group and the AAMC Group on Women in Medicine and Science (GWIMS) will hold a joint conference on September 10-12 in Chicago. This unique event will bring advocates for women’s advancement and leadership in science and medicine together with faculty and administrative leaders of biomedical PhD, MD-PhD, and postdoctoral programs, enabling networking and exploration of new opportunities for synergy between these communities. We are now accepting proposals for sessions focusing on strategies and solutions to address issues at the intersection of gender equity, biomedical training, and the biomedical workforce at large. Read here about submitting session proposals; due January 6, 2020.

Webinar on Effective Communication
Sponsored by the AAMC Group on Institutional Planning (GIP) Subcommittee on Professional Development
December 11th from 2:00-3:00 pm ES

Register Today
Speaker: R. Kevin Grigsby, MSW, DSW, Senior Director, Member Organizational Development at the Association of American Medical Colleges in Washington, DC.

Register Today for the 2020 AAMC Chief Medical Officers Group and Group on Faculty Practice Joint Meeting!
AAMC Chief Medical Officers Group and Group on Faculty Practice Joint Meeting
March 26-27, 2020
AAMC Headquarters
Washington, DC
NAM report on clinician burnout to be released
The National Academy of Medicine (NAM) Action Collaborative on Clinician Well-Being and Resilience will release a new report, Taking Action Against Clinician Burnout: A Systems Approach to Professional Well-Being, on Oct. 23. A webcast held that morning will include a discussion of the report’s findings and recommendations. AAMC President Emeritus Darrell G. Kirch, MD, serves as co-chair of the Action Collaborative and the AAMC is a cosponsor of the report. Read More

Interested in well-being and resiliency in academic medicine? Explore in-depth with our collection of content and resources on this pressing issue. Read More

Study finds surgery outcomes better at teaching hospitals
A study published in the Annals of Surgery found that high-risk patients benefit from having surgery at major teaching hospitals, and a comparison of the costs for these procedures showed that teaching hospitals provide a better value. Researchers found that high-risk patients, including those with multiple chronic diseases, have higher 30-day survival rates after undergoing general or vascular procedures at teaching hospitals than at non-teaching hospitals. The study was supported in part by a grant from the AAMC. Read More

Recommended Reading

Is Academic Medicine Ready for Term Limits?
An author weighs the pros (refreshing leadership and increasing innovation and diversity) and cons (increasing disruption and inhibiting the development of expertise) of term limits for positions of power in academic medicine.
Jared P. Austin, MD
Read More

Hospitals race to save patients – and the planet
Hospitals and labs emit 4% of the world’s greenhouse gas emissions and are responsible for more than five tons of waste each year. If the global health care sector were a country, it would be the world’s fifth-largest emitter of greenhouse gases. AAMC News explains what academic medicine is doing to reduce its carbon footprint. Read More

Why psychologically safe workplaces lead to fewer medical errors
Amy Edmondson, PhD, Harvard professor and Learn Serve Lead 2019: The AAMC Annual Meeting plenary speaker, talks about creating an interpersonal climate that encourages input from all members of the patient care team. Read More

Should the federal government regulate vaping?
In an exclusive AAMC News two-part series, former FDA Commissioner Robert M. Califf, MD, examines the history of tobacco regulation and suggests how the nation can curb the current epidemic of vaping-related lung illness. Read Part 1
In the second part of the series, Dr. Califf calls for an immediate ban on flavors in vaping products, a vigorous campaign to correct misinformation about vaping, and a concerted effort to prosecute those who sell vaping products to minors. Read Part 2

One doctor’s struggle with AI
Atul Grover, MD, PhD, AAMC executive vice president, authored a recent Wall Street Journal Experts Blog column examining the benefits and limits of artificial intelligence (AI) and big data in medicine. He calls for more diverse and representative trials and data and discusses the continuing need for human practitioners to provide individualized patient care. Read More

The Inevitable Interim: Transitional Leaders in Academic Medicine
The authors call attention to the growing phenomenon of interim leadership and offer a four-stage framework for considering interim leadership at academic medicine organizations as well as strategies for success at each stage. Chris Merritt, MD, MPH, MHPE, and Brian Clyne, MD, MHL Read More

Does Strategic Planning Matter?
Mallon, William T.
Academic Medicine. 94(10):1408-1411, October 2019. Read More

Strategic Planning in Health Professions Education: Scholarship or Management?
Byrne, Niall; Cole, Donald C.; Woods, Nicole; Kulasegaram, Kulamakan; Martimianakis, Maria Athina; Richardson, Lisa; Whitehead, Cynthia R.
Academic Medicine. 94(10):1455-1460, October 2019. Read More

A Comparison of Costs: How California Teaching Hospitals Achieved Slower Growth Than Nonteaching Hospitals in Operating Room Costs From 2005 to 2014
Childers, Christopher P.; Maggard-Gibbons, Melinda; Nuckols, Teryl
Academic Medicine. 94(10):1539-1545, October 2019. Read More

Welcome New Members

(October 1 – 31, 2019)
Toni Allen
Rutgers New Jersey Medical School

Katherine Berkowitz
USF Health Morsani College of Medicine

Deneen Blow
Rutgers New Jersey Medical School
Karen Caton
University of Alabama School of Medicine
Brad Clark
USF Health Morsani College of Medicine
Hillary Davis
Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth
Tara Davis
George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences
Arnulfo Delgado
West Virginia University School of Medicine
Diane Dowd
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
Daron Drew-Jelks
University of Alabama School of Medicine
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Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine
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