



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION –

#### OPEN TO ALL FACULTY

Date: Tuesday, May 31, 2022 | 9:00–11:00 am | VIRTUAL

**OPTIONAL Meet and Greet Opportunities** - 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Sponsor: Office of Faculty Affairs

The aim of the event is to provide faculty at all levels with a foundation for a successful academic and professional career at the University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School. View the tentative agenda on the OFA [website](#).

Interested in attending orientation? Register for the event [here](#) and we will send you the Zoom meeting link.

Cannot make it? No problem. We will hold another orientation on September 14, 2022. Email [Katherine Conlon](#) with questions.

### EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP) - INTRODUCING YOUR WORK-LIFE WEBSITE

Sponsors: UMass Chan Human Resources and Office of Well Being

The features of this website include a comprehensive library of topics such as relationships, communication, emotional resilience, career, consumer tips and more. It also offers options to connect with local experts or browse a robust library of articles and resources to support your well-being at every stage of life.

To enjoy the benefits, please click on this [link](#).

### JUNIOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (JFDP) -

#### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Sponsor: Office of Faculty Affairs

Application deadline: Wednesday, June 8, 2022

The JFDP will be offered for the 2022–23 academic year. This comprehensive faculty development program is targeted to Assistant Professors and comprises a weekly curriculum with topics in research, education and professional development, and a project mentored by a senior faculty mentor. Program sessions will be at 7:00–9:00 am, Thursdays, September 8, 2022 – May 18, 2023. For more information and to apply, see [here](#).





#### **EDUCATIONAL POLICY COMMITTEE RETREAT DAY**

Sponsor: Office of Undergraduate Medical Education

Date: Monday, June 6, 2022 12:00 – 2:00 pm | VIRTUAL

We will be highlighting the Vista Longitudinal Focus Topics and doing some workshops for a deep dive into these important curricular elements. We hope you can join us for both dates!

For more information, contact [Victoria Cohen](#) in the Office of Undergraduate Medical Education. To join the retreat, click on this Zoom [link](#).

#### **UMCCTS ANNUAL RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM**

Date: Friday, June 10, 2022 | 9 am – 5 pm | Virtual

Sponsor: Center for Clinical and Translational Science

The UMass Center for Clinical and Translational Science (UMCCTS) will host their annual Research Symposium featuring an overview of the in-house research being conducted on COVID, digital health, and cancer. Registration is now open at this [link](#). Visit the UMCCTS [website](#) for further information.



#### **WORCESTER – THE CITY THAT READS!**

Dates: April 1 – May 31, 2022

Sponsor: Office of Community and Government Relations



UMass Chan Cares is collecting new and gently used books appropriate for Pre-K through Grade 8 to be distributed to Worcester students. Book collection boxes are in the Old School Lobby, Albert Sherman Center 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Atrium, and the Lazare Research Building Lobby. For questions, contact [OCGR](#).

#### **AALANA FACULTY NETWORK**

The AALANA Faculty Network name represents African American, Latinx, Asian, and Native American faculty at UMass Chan Medical School. The group seeks to support and advance faculty of color through collaboration, celebration, and knowledge. The network will provide mentoring opportunities to faculty of color, as well as professional development and networking events. To join or learn more, please email [AALANA](#) for information.



## PEOPLE OF COLOR (POC) AFFINITY GROUP

Sponsor: AALANA



The People of Color Affinity Group aims to create a safe space where those who have experienced structural oppression, marginalization and/or other micro-aggressions can share their experiences with others who have a shared sense of identity. This is a place for connection, mentorship, and support to promote belongingness, healing, and development of a collective power. The Worcester Family Medicine SOAR (Structural Oppression & Anti-Racism) Committee founded this group for residents, fellows, and faculty of UMass Chan residency programs, as well as UMass Chan students and faculty. If you are interested in learning more about the People of Color Affinity Group, please complete the [Google form](#).

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



### 2022-2023 GOLD HUMANISM SCHOLARS PROGRAM FOR EDUCATORS – **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

Deadline: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 8 pm EST

Sponsor: Harvard Macy Institute

The Arnold P. Gold Foundation is sponsoring partial scholarships for \$5,000 for up to two Gold Humanism Scholars. The Harvard Macy Institute seeks to support medical and nursing educators working to develop and enhance educational projects focused on achieving humanistic patient care that can be replicated across a variety of healthcare delivery settings. More information and applications can be found [here](#).

### TRANSDISCIPLINARY TRAINING IN CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH T32 TRAINING PROGRAM – **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

Deadline: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 by 5 pm to [Rebecca Gigliello](#)

Sponsor: Department of Population and Quantitative Health Sciences

In collaboration with the Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, the Department of Population and Quantitative Health Sciences (PQHS) has established a NHLBI-funded T32 program with the aim of producing a new generation of investigators who have the enthusiasm, knowledge, and skills to make meaningful contributions to cardiovascular research across the translational spectrum. Directed by Catarina Kiefe, MD, PhD (PQHS) and Kevin Donahue, MD (Cardiovascular Medicine), the program is truly transdisciplinary, with investigators working together to expand knowledge beyond discipline-based concepts, theories, and methods.

For eligibility information and to apply, contact [Rebecca Gigliello](#) in the PQHS Department.



## UPCOMING EVENTS



### EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, May 19, 2022 | 9:00–10:30 am | Zoom

The Executive Council advises the Chancellor and Provost on substantive matters pertaining to the governance of UMass Chan Medical School and must be consulted before decisions are reached on such matters. The meeting is open to all faculty. Join by Zoom [here](#).



### FACULTY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursday, June 2, 2022 | 4:00–5:00 pm | Zoom

The Faculty Council considers issues and matters of interest to the faculty and advises the Chancellor, the Provost, other senior administrators as appropriate, and the Executive Council on substantive matters. All faculty are welcome to attend the monthly Faculty Council meetings. Join by Zoom [here](#)

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



### JOIN THE R CLUB PEER GROUP

Meetings Twice Per Month

Sponsor: Center for Clinical and Translational Science (UMCCTS)

Are you an early-stage investigator looking to write your first R21 or R01? Would you like input and feedback on your proposal from experienced faculty who have been there before? The UMCCTS is planning to restart the R Club, a peer group that meets twice a month to review and plan for successful R-level grant submissions. Interested? Please email [Nathaniel Hafer](mailto:Nathaniel.Hafer) to be added to the mailing list.

### DISPARITIES IN MATERNAL HEALTH: CONNECTING COMMUNITY ADVOCACY TO CLINICAL PRACTICE - WEBINAR

Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 | 12:00 pm – 12:45 pm |

VIRTUAL

Sponsor: Massachusetts Medical Society



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Join the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Massachusetts Health & Hospital Association, and the American College of Healthcare Executives Massachusetts Chapter to learn about a state commission's recommendations to address racial disparities and promote equity in maternal health outcomes, including how to connect these policies into clinical practice. For information on the guest speakers and to register for the webinar, visit this [website](#).



**UNDERSTANDING AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE IDENTITIES: CONSIDERATIONS FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL AND RESIDENCY PROGRAMS - WEBINAR**

Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 | 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm | VIRTUAL  
Sponsor: Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC)

The academic medicine community has begun to understand the importance of better engaging historically marginalized populations, including American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Part of this work involves understanding the history of colonization and its role in framing and defining the identities of American Indians and Alaska Natives in the United States, and how this translates into admissions and selection policies and practices. Register for the webinar [today](#).

**PRIORITIZING AND PRESERVING PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH**

Date: Friday, May 20, 2022 | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm EST | VIRTUAL  
Sponsors: Physician Health Services Inc. and Massachusetts Medical Society Corporation

This year's Annual Education Program will utilize expert faculty and a panel discussion to examine practical and policy strategies needed to identify and mitigate psychological distress among our patients and our provider staff, improve availability and equitable access to mental and behavioral health services, and instill a culture in health care that prioritizes psychological well-being for all. Register [today](#).



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**132<sup>ND</sup> SHATTUCK LECTURE SERIES: NUCLEOSIDE-MODIFIED mRNA-LNP THERAPEUTICS**

Date: Friday, May 20, 2022 | 12:15 pm – 1:15 pm EST | VIRTUAL  
Sponsors: Physician Health Services Inc. and Massachusetts Medical Society Corporation

Delivered by Drew Weissman, MD, PhD, Inaugural Roberts Family Professor in Vaccine Research, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Weissman and his colleague's research paved the way for the first mRNA vaccines. Register [today](#).



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**COMMUNITY-BASED APPROACHES TO PROMOTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EQUITY: A CALL TO ACTION – CROSS-CTSA SPECIAL SEMINAR**

Date: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 | 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM | VIRTUAL  
Sponsor: UMCCTS-Community Engagement and Collaboration Core

Hear from experts about community-engaged interventions that promote behavioral health equity, the role of community/patient engagement in advancing behavioral health research, as well as community perspectives. Register at this [link](#).



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### MANAGING WORKPLACE CONFLICT: IMPROVING LEADERSHIP AND PERSONAL EFFECTIVENESS

Dates: Thursday, June 2 & Friday, June 3, 2022 | In-Person  
Sponsors: Physician Health Services Inc. and Massachusetts  
Medical Society Corporation

This interactive, experiential program for physicians and medical residents explores the relationships that drive the medical work environment. Participants will consider practices for addressing and resolving difficult relationships and stressful situations and develop tools for strengthening relationships with other team members and patients. The workshop will be held at the Massachusetts Medical Society Headquarters in Waltham, MA. To register, and learn more about the event schedule, visit this [website](#).

### VIRTUAL TALKS WITH BRUCE BARTON, PhD AND ROBERT GOLDBERG, PhD

Dates: Tuesdays and Thursdays in June 2022  
Times: 8:00 am – 9:30 am | Zoom  
Sponsor: Department of Population and Quantitative Health  
Sciences and the UMass Center for Clinical and Translational  
Science (UMCCTS)

Join the talks each week at this Zoom [link](#).

#### Observational Investigations:

Cross Sectional & Case-Control Studies (6/7)  
Prospective Studies (6/9)

#### Randomized Clinical Trials:

Introduction and Theory (6/14)  
Implementation and Conduct (6/16)  
Analysis and Publication (6/21)

Effective Scientific Writing (6/23)



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## RESOURCES



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Office of Well-Being  
Wellness Program

### YOUR WELLNESS NETWORK –

#### NEW BENEFIT FOR UMASS CHAN FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS

Sponsor: Office of Well-Being  
Contact information: [OWB@umassmed.edu](mailto:OWB@umassmed.edu) or 508-856-1555

Welcome to *Your Wellness Network*, a free, comprehensive digital platform to support *Better Health | Better Wellness | Every Day | Everyone*. *Your Wellness Network* provides 24/7 access to a variety of tools and resources to achieve your health and wellness goals. Create your account by visiting the network's [site](#) portal.



Human  
Resources

**UMASS CHAN HUMAN RESOURCES LEARNING AND  
DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES –  
NOW OPEN TO FACULTY MANAGERS**

Dates: Anytime, anywhere | Virtual  
Sponsor: UMass Chan Human Resources

For those that have yet to explore the vast selection of learning and development opportunities offered at UMass Chan, we encourage you to visit the **HR Learning & Development website** as well as your **LMS dashboard** where you can view the open library that contains all available courses, books and videos.



**SYSTEMATIC REVIEW SUPPORT SERVICE**

Sponsor: Lamar Soutter Library  
Are you planning to conduct a systematic review? Let a librarian help!  
The Systematic Review Support Service now provides access to Covidence for systematic review teams that partner with a librarian. Covidence is an SR screening tool that streamlines the SR process and saves researchers a lot of time. Find out more about how librarians can support your reviews and get in touch with us [here](#).



**RESOURCES FROM NEW FACULTY ORIENTATION ARE AVAILABLE  
ONLINE**

Sponsor: Office of Faculty Affairs

The Office of Faculty Affairs recently offered a virtual orientation session for new faculty on Zoom on January 11, 2022. To view the slides from each presentation, visit the Office of Faculty Affairs [website](#).



**PREPARING FOR PROMOTION RECORDING NOW AVAILABLE**

The Office of Faculty Affairs previously held a series of workshops to guide faculty through the promotion process. While these workshops are currently not available, a previous virtual session with Dr. Robert Milner was recorded and is available for viewing. The session can be found [here](#).



The Office of Faculty Affairs has revised the online information and resources related to the revised Academic Personnel Policy. Visit the OFA website at [www.umassmed.edu/ofa/academic](http://www.umassmed.edu/ofa/academic) for information regarding the eligibility and criteria for promotion and tenure, areas of distinction, the basic file, and categories of appointment. The revised Academic Personnel Policy is available online [here](#).