Weekly Newsletter
May 10, 2024

Our goal is to provide up-to-date information and helpful tips for faculty on topics which impact our daily work lives. Below you will find notifications and information about upcoming events with the associated links for online registration. We also have included BCH and local wellness opportunities which may be of interest. Please contact us with any questions regarding program content at OFD.

Please find us on the internal BCH website using the quicklink on the BCH homepage or go directly to our OFD Homepage

2024 OFD/BTREC/CTREC Fellowship Recipients

Congratulations to the recipients of 2024 Faculty Career Development Fellowships, sponsored by the OFD and the Basic- and Clinical-Translational Research Executive Committees (BTREC and CTREC)

The purpose of these awards is to provide transitional funding for early career faculty to enhance research productivity during the early critical years of an academic research career.

Alissa D’Gama, MD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Clinical Fellow; Newborn Medicine; Comprehensive Genomic Sequencing to Delineate the Molecular Genetic Landscape of Pediatric Epilepsy

Pietro Fontana, PhD; Instructor in Pediatrics; PCMM; Exploring the potential of GSDMD

Lindsey Gaston, MD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Endocrinology; Mechanisms of hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal axis suppression and recovery after long-term glucocorticoids

Suzanne Gouda, MD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Critical Care; Mixed-Methods Study on Clinician and Parent Perspectives Regarding the Role of Palliative Care in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit After Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest

Suzanna Hirsch, MD; Assistant Professor of Pediatrics; GI-Nutrition; Non-invasive characterization of gastric function and response to percutaneous

Youngsook Jung, PhD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Genetics; Multi-omic Characterization of Kabuki Syndrome

Liana Lipton, MD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Developmental Medicine; A Secondary Analysis Investigating Language in the Boston Outcomes of Autism in Toddlers

Chang Lu, MD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Endocrinology; Associations of growth hormone receptor and plasma peptides with type 2 diabetes pathogenesis and complications in youth.

Stuti Mehta, PhD; Instructor in Pediatrics; Hematology-Onology; Investigating mechanisms of co-translational degradation of the transcription factor BCL11A
Melissa Musser, MD, PhD: Instructor in Pediatrics; GI-Nutrition; The Role of IPANS in Gut Inflammation and CGRP Regulations

Stuart Rollins, MD: Instructor in Pediatrics; Pulmonary; Interrogating function of pulmonary ionocytes using induced pluripotent stem cell (iPSC)-derived airway

Jianli Tao, PhD: Instructor in Pathology; Elucidating mechanisms of LINE1-induced chromosomal translocations in human cancers

Elsa Treffeisen, MD: Instructor in Pediatrics; Immunology; Evaluation of an intervention to reduce food insecurity among children with food allergy

Upcoming Events

The Thirteenth Annual Judah Folkman Lecture

May 16 at 4:30 p.m. in Folkman Auditorium
Speaker: Mark Puder, M.D., Ph.D.

Hosts: Vascular Biology Program and the Department of Surgery
Speaker: Mark Puder MD, PhD
William E. Ladd Chair
Department of Surgery
Boston Children’s Hospital
Principal Investigator
Vascular Biology Program
Professor of Surgery, HMS
Lecture: Intravenous Lipid Emulsion Development: Nutritional and Therapeutic Considerations

Research Engagement Seminar:
Path to Promotion
Thursday, May 16, 12:15 PM
Speaker: Nicole Ullrich, MD, PhD
Director, Office of Faculty Development and Office for Women's Careers
Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School
Co-Director – Neurofibromatosis Program, Boston Children’s Hospital
Director of Neurologic NeuroOncology, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Zoom Meeting ID: 943 3739 1180 Passcode: 361456
Register

HMS Promotion Workshop
Zoom Presentation: Crafting Your Faculty of Medicine CV
Monday, June 10, 2024, 3:30pm to 5:30pm
Register

This 90-minute presentation, followed by a 30-minute Q&A, highlights some of the
best practices for anyone maintaining a Faculty of Medicine CV. Participants will better appreciate how to use the standardized format to their advantage. The session covers the narrative as well as common questions about how to list various activities and achievements. We strongly encourage attendees to review our online resource guidelines before arriving to better facilitate engagement and allow more time to ask questions. Sessions are not recorded, please plan accordingly.

**American Sign Language, with instructor Katie McCarthy, MBA.**

**Save the date(s):**

There will be both an Introductory Series and an Intermediate Series upcoming. Registration information will be distributed in June.

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All times 11am - 12noon

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**Gather Your Team:**

**Eversource Walk for Children's Hospital is June 9!**

Meet the BCH community of walkers at the Hatch Shell by 9am and enjoy the day.

[Event Information](#)

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**Save the date - Dr. M. Judah Folkman Research Day**

Health Equity and Diversity
Boston Children's Book Club Celebrates Asian-American and Pacific Islanders' Month:
Next Meeting: May 30, time/zoom details TBA

*Lady Tan's Circle of Women*, by Lisa See
This historical novel illustrates medical culture during the Ming dynasty in China through the amazing journey of Tan Yunxian, from girlhood to her role as a healer. She is joined in this journey by her close friend from another social class, Meiling. Both women emerge stronger through friendship.

For questions, contact Book Club founder and organizer, [Dr. Eman Ansari](mailto:eman.ansari@bch.harvard.edu)

Join an Employee Resource Group and Guide BCH Initiatives

**What is an Employee Resource Group?**
Employee Resource Groups (ERGs) are voluntary, employee-led groups whose aim is to foster a diverse, inclusive workplace aligned with the strategic priorities of the organization. ERGs are comprised of employees and allies who share common interests and who seek to provide support and community, personal and professional development, and a safe space to share successes and concerns.

[See the BCH internal website for complete details](https://bch.harvard.edu/ergs)

[Join any Group via this Form](https://bch.harvard.edu/ergs/join)

Current Faculty Funding Opportunities

**BCH Caregiver Travel Grants - No Deadline**

The [BCH Caregiver Travel Award](https://bch.harvard.edu/awards) is a pilot program open to Boston Children's faculty to ease the financial burden associated with additional dependent care expenses while presenting at an academic/society meeting.

Please note that you must apply at least 4 weeks prior to any anticipated trip and must be presenting at the meeting. Awards are capped at $500.

You can find the link to apply [here](https://bch.harvard.edu/awards). Questions should be addressed to Maxine Milstein, MBA, OFD Program Director. [Email Maxine](mailto:maxine.milstein@bch.harvard.edu).
This initiative is sponsored by the Boston Children's Offices of Faculty Development, Women's Careers, Health Affairs and the Medical Staff Organization.

The Harvard Stem Cell Institute announces the 2024 Call for Applications for the Barry Family HSCI Innovation Award for Early Investigators

- Deadline for applications Sunday, September 1, 2024

DEADLINE EXTENDED - May 13, 2024
Awards open to members of the Medical Staff Organization

Faculty Innovated Research Award:
What: One-time award of up to $5,000
Purpose: The Faculty Innovated Research Award is designed to help in creating an innovative research program for patient care or for the Medical Staff well-being.

MSO Faculty Ingenuity Award:
What: One-time award of up to $2,500
Purpose: The goal is to encourage participation at a national meeting, pursuing advanced degree or certificate program, contracting with a local introductory coach training program, or joining a pediatric-based medical mission. The MSO Officers hope that this opportunity will appeal to those members who wish to engage with teams beyond our hospital boundaries, to cultivate personal growth, greater work-life balance, enhanced job satisfaction, and seek mechanisms to enrich and refine their approach to patient care.

Awardees will be announced at the MSO Annual Meeting in June.
Please contact Erin Payne to request an application.

Need guidance on professional development? CV review?

Schedule A One-on-One Appointment with
Dr. Nicole Ullrich or Dr. Carla Kim

Are you looking for guidance on your professional development, career trajectory, or readiness for promotion? Dr. Nicole Ullrich and Dr. Carla Kim can meet with you to discuss these concerns. To make an appointment, email OFD

In Case You Missed It

ChatGPT and Medicine: Workshop Series
Co-sponsored by the Office of Faculty Development and the Innovation and Digital Health Accelerator
Session 1: The ABCs of ChatGPT  
Recording: Session 1

Session 2: Clinical Applications of ChatGPT  
Recording: Session 2

Session 3: ChatGPT in Research  
Recording: Session 3

2023 - 2024 Alvin F. Poussaint, MD, Visiting Lectureship

"Trying to Heal a Broken Promise: Improving Healthcare for American Indians and Alaska Natives"  
Speaker: Yvette Roubideaux, MD, MPH  
Department of Health Systems Management and Policy  
Colorado School of Public Health  
Former Director, Indian Health Services  
Link to video

Wellness and Family Fun

In our newsletters, we provide wellness tips for you to consider and adapt to your lifestyle. Please email us with a suggestion(s) on the practices, routines, or habits that have supported your well-being.

Enjoy a Day in Nature
Annual Floral Event on Sunday May 12: Celebrate Spring at Lilac Sunday at the Arnold Arboretum. View the lilacs and many other special collections at their peak at this lovely time of year. It's the only day of the year that picnics are allowed.

Wellness Quick Tip - Urban Hiking as Soulcraft
Boston's new 27 mile "Walking City Trail," connecting many neighborhoods and founded by Miles Howard, is looking for volunteers in May to assist in placing permanent signs on the trail. Short hikes that cover segments of the Trail in May have been scheduled; join any hike, no RSVP required. See Walking City Trail and Hike and Hang announcement.

Wellness Resources
Faculty Peer Support Group Meeting
Hosts: Marisa Brett-Fleegler, MD; Sara Forman, MD; Maxine Milstein, MBA
These meetings offer a safe, comfortable environment to discuss challenges and solutions in areas of career, family and personal development. Participants are a mix of various specialties, career stages, and career focus. Meetings provide an opportunity to share how we are all doing and to brainstorm on how BCH can support faculty. For information, email Maxine

The Secret Garden:
Boston Children's has a "secret garden" quiet room designated for staff and faculty to de-stress; it is located on the first floor of the Hale Building, room SK1430, across from the Chapel and next to the Garden. Various self-guided resources are available, including guided meditation, reading, journaling, coloring and virtual yoga.

Grokker Resources:
Grokker's custom Boston Children's website and personal well-being app available to benefit eligible staff, affiliated Foundations, and up to two family members at no cost. Access to over 4,000 on-demand video classes on: Nutrition, Mindfulness, Fitness, Yoga and Financial Wellbeing. See Grokker for more information

What is SupportLinc? A mental health benefit offered by Boston Children's Hospital, separate from your medical insurance:
Emotional wellbeing resources; in-the-moment support by phone or live chat; face-to-face or virtual (video) counseling sessions; text therapy; self-guided resources; work-life balance support; expert consultations. Sessions are available in an office hour format and can be scheduled in 30-minute or 1-hour increments. Click here to schedule an appointment

CONTACT US

OFD Mission Statement:
The Office of Faculty Development (OFD) is dedicated to facilitating the career advancement and satisfaction of Boston Children's Hospital faculty, fostering careers particularly of early-stage faculty, and increasing leadership opportunities for women and faculty underrepresented in medicine (UiM).

The Office of Faculty Development is always interested in your suggestions regarding our program content and communications. Please connect with us via the email address listed above or by visiting the OFD Website.

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