Weekly Newsletter
May 3, 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

Upcoming Workshops and Events

Drawing Figures for Journals

Are you stymied by the graphics in drafting and submitting journal articles? Find solutions in this upcoming workshop!

Easily prepare figures for scientific journals with familiar tools & a foolproof workflow that eliminates any chance of rejection for guideline violations.

Register Here

Speaker: Beth Beighlie, HMS IT

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 12–1 PM via Zoom

Beth has been creating images at Harvard Medical School since 1987 and continues to train faculty on how to take advantage of the unique ways to use
proprietary scientific applications, Microsoft Office and a variety of graphics programs to create, acquire and edit images that are included in grant applications, journal articles and presentations to the scientific community. Additionally, Beth works to connect researchers with scientific software licenses.

Beth Beighlie also offers consultations on IT issues; contact her at b2@hms.harvard.edu

Co-sponsored by Office of Faculty Development and Office of Fellowship Training

Getting Promoted from Associate to Full Professor
Monday, May 6, 3:30 - 5 PM, via Zoom - Registration Required
This 60-minute presentation, followed by a 30-minute Q&A, is a great introduction to the Full Professor promotion process for faculty members at the rank of Associate Professor currently in an exploratory phase. The presentation focuses on evaluation metrics for each Area of Excellence as well as tips for preparing the annotated list of their 10 Most Significant Scholarly Works and list of suggested reviewers. We encourage attendees to review relevant sections of the Faculty of Medicine handbook and/or Promotion Profile Library before arriving to better facilitate engagement and allow more time to ask questions. Sessions are not recorded, please plan accordingly.

Register Here

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:

Introduction to ASL
Intermediate ASL
Review (optional)
4-week course

July 29 – August 28 (M/W)
October 21 – November 20 (M/W):
October 21 & 23:
October 28 – November 20:

All times, 11am - 12noon

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

Save the date - Dr. M. Judah Folkman Research Day
Recording available here!

2023-2024 Alvin F. Poussaint, MD, Visiting Lectureship
Speaker: Yvette Roubideaux, MD, MPH

“Trying to Heal a Broken Promise:
Improving Healthcare for American Indians and Alaska Natives”

Adjunct Professor
Department of Health Systems Management and Policy
Colorado School of Public Health
Former Director, Indian Health Services

Yvette Roubideaux, MD, MPH is a physician, researcher, and public health advocate. Dr. Roubideaux previously served as Director of the Policy Research Center at the National Congress of American Indians where she conducted and translated policy research and data to improve outcomes for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) Tribal Nations.

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

**Employee Research Groups**
Arab Culture Alliance (ACA)
Asian and Pacific Islander Collaborative (APIC)
Black/African American & Allies (BAAA)
Hispanic Outreach Latinos, Amigos & Allies (HOLA)
Jewish Connections
Rainbow Alliance
Veteran's Alliance, Leadership and Outreach (VALOR)
Women's Alliance
Young Professionals

Join any Group via this Form

Current Faculty Funding Opportunities - Check the Deadlines!!

**DEADLINES APPROACHING:**
Translational Research Program Awards
Deadline May 6, 2024

**Junior Translational Investigator Service Award**
**Who:** Independent early-career Boston Children's investigators, minimum of 50% of time devoted to translational research. Individuals must be nominated by their department.  
**What:** Funds for 50% effort up to maximum total salary of $125,000/year (TRP provides additional research support up to $40,000/yr)

**Mentored Translational Investigator Service Award**
**Who:** MD or MD/PhD's who are done with clinical training are eligible. Award is intended for early career investigators at early stage of research career with minimum 50% of time devoted to translational research. Individuals must be nominated by their department.  
**What:** Awards for $300k/3 years direct cost (TRP will cover overhead charges)  
**How:** Each awardee will be officially paired with a mentor from the pool of current Senior TIS members as well as with a mentor from outside of BCH who is from the local biotech/pharma/venture capital community.

Please direct any questions to trp@childrens.harvard.edu
UPDATED DEADLINE!!
Boston Children's Hospital ICCTR Health Equity Grants
Request for Proposals

Program Description: The Office of Health Equity and Inclusion, in collaboration with the Medical Staff Organization (MSO), the Office of Faculty Development, and the Institutional Centers for Clinical and Translational Research (ICCTR), are announcing two $15,000 awards funded by the MSO and the Harvard Catalyst.

Purpose: These one-year grants are to support innovative projects aimed at promoting equitable health outcomes and reducing health care inequities in the pediatric population.

Eligibility: BCH faculty who are members of the MSO and at Instructor or Assistant Professor rank as of July 2024 are eligible. While applicants who belong to populations underrepresented in medicine are encouraged to apply, this is not a requirement for funding.

Funding period: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Updated Application Deadline: 5/10/24, 12 noon

For questions and to receive a copy of the RFP, email HealthEquity

BCH Caregiver Travel Grants - No Deadline

The BCH Caregiver Travel Award 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. Questions should be addressed to Maxine Milstein, MBA, OFD Program Director. Email Maxine.

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

Need guidance on professional development? CV review?

Schedule A One-on-One Appointment with
Dr. Nicole Ullrich or Dr. Carla Kim
Are you look 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 - Speakers: John Brownstein, PhD; Timothy Driscoll; Benjamin Rader, PhD; Dinesh Rai, MD; Melissa Stewart, MPH

Session 1: The ABCs of ChatGPT
Recording: Session 1
This session is an introductory guide to ChatGPT and Large Language Models (LLMs), with clinical use cases, associated risks in the use of this technology and an overview of hospital resources.

Session 2: Clinical Applications of ChatGPT
Recording: Session 2
Practical clinical applications of ChatGPT and LLMs, including creating patient-facing documentation, effective prompting techniques for better responses and limitations/ethical considerations associated with the use of these technologies.

Session 3: ChatGPT in Research
Recording: Session 3
This session is focused on the utilization of ChatGPT and LLMs in research, including translating research findings into practice, strategies for risk mitigation and navigating the IRB process.

Wellness and Family Fun

Did you know? In our newsletters, the Office of Faculty Development provides manageable 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
If MFK Fisher's "How to Cook a Wolf" assisted cooks in dealing with economic deprivation, UK writer Ella Risbridger's work is focused on how to cook through severe depression, grief, and anxiety through appreciation of all things beautiful. See Midnight Chicken and Year of Miracles.

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

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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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