

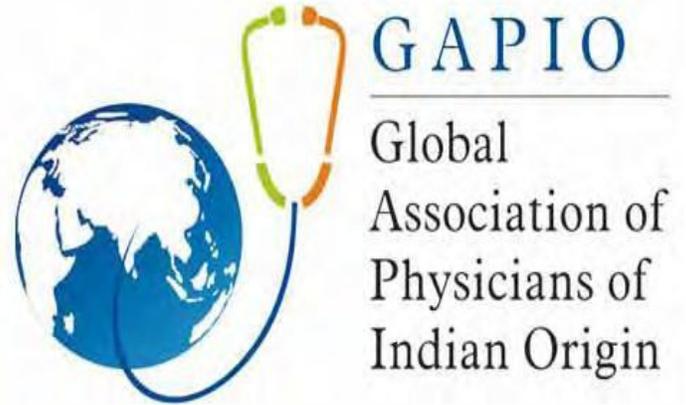


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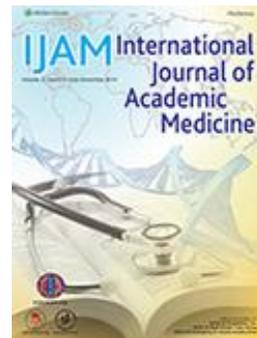
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration starts at 11 a.m. on July 28th
Exhibits start at 11 a.m. on July 28th
(Location: **Dunes Foyer**)

FRIDAY, JULY 28th 2017:

PRE-CONFERENCE: ACAIM

LOCATION: DUNES I

8-12:00pm **ACAIM Consensus Conference:**
“Values & Metrics in International
Academic Medicine”

12:00-1:00pm **Lunch break**

PRE-CONFERENCE: GAPIO

LOCATION: DUNES I

12-1:00pm **Executive Council**
Dr. Ramesh Mehta

1:00-2:00pm **Presidential Council Meeting**
Chair: Dr. Sanku Rao
Invited Guest: Mr. Neal Simon,
President of AUA
Dr Gautam Samadder, President AAPI
Dr Naresh Parikh, President Elect AAPI

2:00-3:30pm **International Leadership
Collaboration Summit**
Chair: Dr. Gautam Samadder & Invited
Guest, Dr. Naresh Parikh

MAIN ACAIM CONFERENCE STARTS

LOCATION: DUNES I & II

1:00-1:50pm **ACAIM Opening Session:**
“Sustainable & Synergistic Global
Presence”

2:00-2:45pm **ACAIM Keynote Speech:**
*Penetrating Cardiac Injuries – The
Final Frontier*, Prof. Juan Asensio

2:50-3:23pm **Academic Succession Planning &
Role of Clinical Leadership in
International Medicine:** Prof.
Papadimos & Prof. Garg
(Moderated by Prof. Arquilla)

3:25-4:00pm **Education in Global Surgery:**
Prof. Ferrada & Prof. Zakrison

4:05-4:25pm **Training Residents in Bilingual,
Cross-Cultural Environment:**
Prof. Thelander

4:25-4:45pm **Cardiovascular Conditions of
Global Concern:** Prof. Nanda

4:45-5:40pm **ACAIM Board of Directors
Orientation & Inaugural Meeting**

5:40-7:00pm **Joint Networking Dinner Event**

FRIDAY POST-CONFERENCE: CME EVENT

LOCATION: DUNES IV

7:00-8:00pm **New and Emerging Treatments
for NASH:** Prof. Rustgi (CME
Program)

SATURDAY, JULY 29th, 2017: [*Judges]**ACAIM ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC FORUM****LOCATION: DUNES IV**

- 8:30-9:25am **Scientific Abstract Session 1:**
*Drs. Firstenberg, Sifri, Salway
- 9:30-10:25am **Scientific Abstract Session 2:**
*Drs. Firstenberg, Krebs, Sifri, Worlton
- 10:30-11:55am **Scientific Abstract Session 3:**
*Drs. Anderson III, Schrag, Salway

SATURDAY, JULY 29th, 2017:

ACAIM / GAPIO PLENARY SESSIONS

(7:00-9:20am)

LOCATION: DUNES III

- 7:00-8:00am **World Geographic Interest Groups: Orientation & Networking Breakfast**
- 8:00-9:20am **Plenary Session: Values & Metrics in Academic International Medicine:** Drs. Garg, Paladino, Peck, Sharpe
- 9:20-9:30am **Break: Transition to Saturday Tracks 1-3 (see below)**

SATURDAY TRACKS (9:30-12:30pm)**ACAIM [TRACK #1]: DUNES II**

- 9:30-11am **Simulation & Technology in Intl. Medicine:** Drs. Kapper, Papadimos, Pappada, Stroud, Soghoian, Swaroop
- *Applications of Predictive Modeling* (Dr. Pappada)
 - *Simulation in the Surgical Sciences* (Dr. Stroud)
- 11am-12:30pm **Trauma in Resource-Poor Environments:** Drs. Kapper, Nwachuku, Sharpe, Sifri
- *Improving Surgical Care of the Injured in Resource-Limited Environments* (Dr. Sharpe)
 - *It Can Be Done. Orthopaedic Trauma in Low Income Countries* (Dr. Nwachuku)
- 12:30-12:55pm **Joint Sponsored Lunch (DUNES III)**

ACAIM [TRACK #2]: DUNES III

- 9:30-11am **Global Health Security:** Drs. Garg, Izurieta, Kapil, Reina
- 11-12:30pm **Women in Intl. Medicine:** Drs. Amico, Arquilla, Bloem, Swaroop, Worlton
- 12:30-12:55pm **Joint Sponsored Lunch (DUNES III)**

GAPIO [TRACK #3]: DUNES V**SYNERGIZING TECHNOLOGIES AND HEALTH FOR DELIVERING BETTER PATIENT CARE**

- 9:00-9:30am **Breakfast (9:00am) & Welcome Ceremony (9:25am)**
- 9:30-1:00pm Session 1, **Prof. Sibal**, Chair
- 9:30-9:50am **Role of Technology in Diabetes Care & Outcomes:** Prof. Ganda
- 9:50-10:10am **Assessing Cardiovascular Risk: From Prediction to Precision:** Prof. Sharma
- 10:10-10:30am **Modern Management of Heart Failure:** Prof. Chandna
- 10:30-10:50am **Growing Problem of Hepatitis C Infection:** Prof. Jonnalgadda
- 10:50-11:10am **Donor Graft Shuffle: A Salvage Strategy in Pediatric Liver Transplantation:** Prof. Mohan
- 11:10-11:20am **Break & Networking**
- 11:20-11:40am **Management of Osteoporosis: Beyond Medication;** Prof. Singh
- 11:40-12:00pm **When to Suspect Primary Immune Deficiency in the Adult Patient:** Prof. Parikh
- 12:00-12:20pm **New Perspectives in Treatment of Depression:** Prof. Saha
- 12:20-12:30pm **Eliminating Avoidable Childhood Blindness:** Prof. V.K. Raju
- 12:30-12:55pm **Joint Sponsored Lunch (DUNES III)**

SATURDAY, JULY 29th, 2017

CONTINUED:

JOINT SESSIONS (12:50-6:00pm)

LOCATION: DUNES III

- 12:55-1:00pm **Presidential Welcome**
Dr. Mehta / Dr. Stawicki
- 1:00-1:35pm **ACAIM Presidential Session:**
Prof. Keir Thelander
- 1:35-2:20pm **OPUS 12 Foundation Keynote:**
*Global Surgery Program
Creation and the Path to Strategic
Success*, Prof. Vicente Gracias
- 2:20-3:00pm **GAPIO Keynote: Regulation &
Professionalism as a Means of
Ensuring the Quality of Patient
Care:** Prof. Terence Stephenson,
Chair, General Med. Council, UK
- 3:30-4:35pm **Sustainable & Affordable
Patient Safety:** Drs. Batra (Co-
Chair), Firstenberg (Co-Chair),
Khetarpal, McDonald, Narayan,
Parikh, Worlton
- *Introduction to Patient Safety: Sometimes
it is the easy, little, and cheap things that
make a difference* (Dr. Firstenberg)
 - *Prevention of Medication Errors &
Avoidance of Near Misses* (Dr. Khetarpal)
 - *OR Patient Safety: Review the Checklist*
(Dr. McDonald)
 - *Promoting PI/QI Programs for Affordable
Patient Safety* (Dr. Worlton)
- 4:35-5:00pm **Geriatrics & Polypharmacy –
An Emerging Global Problem:**
Drs. Arquilla, McDonald, Mira,
Pandya
- *Interdisciplinary Care for Older Adults*
(Dr. Mira)
 - *Polypharmacy: A Global Problem.
Suggestions for Solutions* (Dr. McDonald)
- 5:00-5:40pm **Challenges in Learning &
Education Management:** Dr.
Scott Plantz

**AFTERNOON SESSIONS, SATURDAY,
JULY 29th, 2017:**

LOCATION: DUNES I

- 5:30-6:10pm **OPUS 12 Foundation, Inc.
Board Meeting**
- 6:10-7:10pm **ACAIM Board of Governors
Meeting**



**EVENING SESSION, SATURDAY,
JULY 29th, 2017:**

LOCATION: DUNES III

- 7:00-10:00pm **GAPIO / ACAIM Joint Dinner
& Awards Program**
- **Chief Guest:** Counsel General of
India, Hon. Nagesh Singh
 - **Guest of Honor:** Dr. Kiran Patel

SUNDAY, JULY 30th, 2017:

ACAIM / GAPIO JOINT PLENARY SESSIONS (7:00am-1:00pm)

LOCATION: DUNES III

8:00-9:00am **Joint ACAIM / GAPIO Breakfast & Networking Session**

9:35-11:30am **Plenary Session: Medical Education & Global Health:**
Drs. Arquilla (Co-Chair), Batra, Garg, Mehta (Co-Chair), Peck, Bell

11:30-11:45am **Break**

11:45-12:15pm **Plenary Session Keynote: Role of Entrepreneurship in Global Health:** Dr. Kiran Patel

12:15-1:30pm **Plenary Session Panel: Role of Entrepreneurship in Global Health:** Drs. Firstenberg, Papadimos, Patel, Sibal (Co-Chair), Stawicki (Co-Chair)

1:30-2:00pm **Joint GAPIO / ACAIM Lunch & Closing Ceremony**

JULY 30th ACAIM ADMINISTRATIVE

LOCATION: DUNES I

1:30-2:00pm **ACAIM Elections**

2:00-3:00pm **ACAIM Results & Awards**

3:00-5:00pm **ACAIM Committee Meetings & Post-Meeting Activities**



SCIENTIFIC FORUM ABSTRACTS



Accepted AIM 2017 Scientific Forum Abstracts will be published in the December issue of the International Journal of Academic Medicine

LEGEND:

QS = Quick Shot [5 min Presentation + 1 min Q&A]

FP = Full Presentation [7 min Presentation + 2 min Q&A]

Note: Thematic sessions may span across consecutive

SESSION #1: Rural medicine / Pre-hospital track

MODERATORS:

Drs. Firstenberg, Sifri, Salway

- 1) The Flinders chronic condition management program: Influence on patient outcomes in a rural health center – Presenter: **Wojda**; Type = FP
- 2) Implementation and Evaluation of First Responders Course in Nanakpur, Haryana, India – Presenter: **Cherukupalli**; Type = FP
- 3) Prehospital Process Improvement and Data Collection in Cali, Colombia – Presenter: Model / **Mehta**; Type = FP
- 4) Admission vital signs in an aging trauma population: How low is too low? – Presenter: **Terzian**; Type = QS

SESSION #2: Surgical Care

MODERATORS:

Drs. Firstenberg, Krebs, Sifri, Worlton

- 1) Assessing the State of Surgical Care in Medellin, Colombia – Presenter: **Sharma**; Type = QS
- 2) Does Timing of Initial Traumatic Brain Injury Patient Assessment Impact Mortality in a Resource Limited Setting? – Presenter: **Sanjeevan**; Type = FP
- 3) Evidence Informed, Systematic Development of a Clinical Practice Guideline for Acute Care of Traumatic Brain Injury Patients in Rwanda – Presenter: **Amadio**; Type = FP
- 4) National Guideline Adherence and Resource Utilization in the treatment of Traumatic Brain Injury Patients at The University Teaching Hospital of Kigali Emergency Department in Rwanda – Presenter: **Sanjeevan**; Type = QS
- 5) Mortality Prediction Testing of General Trauma Scores in Traumatic Brain Injury patients at the University Teaching Hospital of Kigali, Rwanda – Presenter: **Amadio**; Type = FP
- 6) Validation of a Risk Prediction Score for Radiographic Head Injuries in Traumatic Brain Injury Patients at the University Teaching Hospital of Kigali, Rwanda – Presenter: **Amadio**; Type = FP
- 7) Palliative toilet mastectomy for advanced breast cancer in Cameroon – Sometimes doing less is more! – Presenter: **Dingley**; Type = QS

SESSION #3: Disaster Preparedness

MODERATORS:

Drs. Firstenberg, Krebs, Sifri, Worlton

- 1) Drill of Multiple Victims at Porto Alegre – Presenter: **Dal Ponte**; Type = FP
- 2) Use of Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers in a Hospital-based Disaster Exercise – Presenter: **Gist**; Type = FP
- 3) Simulating a Disaster – Preparing Responders in India – Presenter: **Kaufman**; Type = FP
- 4) Disaster Preparedness for Clinics – Further Study from Haiti – Presenter: **Riscinti**; Type = QS
- 5) Needs assessment for medical supplies in Freetown Following the Ebola crisis: Ensuring Appropriate Donations – Presenter: **Johnston**; Type = FP

SESSION #4: Chronic Disease Management

MODERATORS:

Drs. Anderson III, Schrag, Salway

- 1) Identifying Barriers to Community Health Worker Success in Rural India – Presenter: **Pathak**; Type = QS
- 2) Hypertension, Obesity and Gender Differences in Ghanaian Population – Presenter: **Garg**; Type = FP
- 3) Postoperative chewing gum: An affordable alternative for combating postoperative ileus? – Presenter: **Wojda**; Type = FP
- 4) Garcinia Cambogia: A Low-Cost Natural Adjunct to Weight Loss Programs? – Presenter: **Schadt**; Type = FP
- 5) Health Insurance Status as a Predictor of Pediatric Weights-For-Age – Presenter: **Garg**; Type = QS

SESSION #5: Medical Education

MODERATORS:

Drs. Anderson III, Schrag, Salway

- 1) International Rotation for Fourth Year Surgical Residents: Productive, Non-disruptive, and a Residency Recruitment Tool – Presenter: **Cipriano**; Type = FP
- 2) Is Surgical Training the Same Everywhere? Evaluating International Surgical Training Programs using ACGME Competencies – Presenter: **Siddiqui**; Type = QS
- 3) A model for Global Health Education: Increasing Clinical Confidence in Junior Medical Students – Presenter: **Feldman**; Type = FP
- 4) Trauma & Emergency League of the Faculty of Medicine of UFRGS - Activities of the Year 2016 – Presenter: **Dal Ponte**; Type = QS

FACULTY BIOS:

{Alphabetical – Speaker Provided}

Dr. Bonnie Arquilla: Dr. Arquilla completed medical school at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine and her Emergency Medicine residency at Lincoln Hospital and Mental Health Center, Bronx New York. She board certified in Emergency Medicine and Palliative Care. She joined the Emergency Department at SUNY Downstate in 2000. Since then she has been active in the SUNY Downstate residency educational mission. Her area of interest has been in Disaster Medicine and Emergency Preparedness. Dr. Arquilla is the Medical Director of Emergency Management and Disaster Medicine at SUNY Downstate and its affiliate clinics.



The New York Institute, All Hazards Preparedness (NYIAHP), was started in 2003 by Dr. Bonnie Arquilla and Dr. Michael Augenbraun. NYIAHP and has been grant funded since its inception. She works collaboratively with The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, The Greater New York Hospital Association, and the New York City Emergency Management. Dr. Arquilla has extensive national and international experience in Emergency Management and Education where she provides consultation on system problems and disaster readiness to local and national governments. Dr. Arquilla is the founder and director of the Disaster Preparedness Fellowship Program at SUNY Downstate, a non GME fellowship. Additionally, Dr. Arquilla has been both a primary and secondary grant reviewer the Centers for Disease Control.

Dr. Juan A. Asensio: Prof. Asensio, the ACAIM Keynote Speaker, currently serves as Professor and Vice-Chairman of the Department of Surgery of Creighton University (With Tenure). He has been tenured at four other universities. He is also the Chief of the Division of Trauma Surgery and Surgical Care. He is the Director of the Trauma Center and Trauma Program and Creighton University Hospital. He is the Professor of Clinical & Translational Science Creighton University Medical School. He is also appointed as Professor of Surgery Adjunct, Uniform Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS), F. Edward Hebert School of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland.



Dr. Asensio is a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honorary Medical Fraternity. He served as Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Trauma of the Southern California Chapter of the American College of Surgeons and as such, he has participated in the National Committee on Trauma of the ACS. He was a member of the International Relations Committee of the ACS where he held the position of Chairman of the International Scholars Selection Committee.

He holds membership in more than 77 professional Societies and is currently a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS) and a Fellow of the American College of Clinical Care Medicine, a Fellow of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, where he has participated in multiple committees and is currently leading the International Relations Committee of this Society. He is a Charter Member of both, the Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST) and the Panamerican Trauma Society. He is a member of the International Association for the Surgery of Trauma and Intensive Care, the American Burn Association, the Association for Academic Surgeons, the Society of Critical Care Medicine, International Surgical Society, Western Surgical Association, Southern Surgical Association, Pacific Coast Surgical Association, Association for Surgical Education, as well as the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract, Southwestern Surgical Congress, Southeastern Surgical Congress, International Society for Digestive Surgery, Surgical Infection Society, the American Association for Vascular Surgery, Society for Vascular Surgery, the International Society for Cardiovascular Surgery, the Eastern Vascular Society, New England Vascular Society, the Shock Society and many other prestigious surgical societies. He is also an Honorary Member of many International Surgical, Trauma Surgical and Critical Care Societies from Europe, North, Central South America and Asia. He has recently been given Honorary Fellowship from The Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Dr. Asensio is both nationally and internationally recognized for his expertise in the field of Trauma Surgery. His area of focused study and expertise is surgical techniques and outcomes for Difficult Injuries and Difficult Problems in Trauma Surgery. His main interests are cardiovascular, thoracic, and complex abdominal and peripheral vascular injuries. He has published extensively in these areas. He has a total of 524 publications including peer-reviewed articles, book chapters and 15 books including 4 issues of the Surgical Clinics of North America and one issue of the Emergency Medicine Clinics of North America. He has lectured extensively nationally and internationally in Europe, North, Central and South America, Asia and Australia and New Zealand and has been an invited Visiting Professor at many prestigious institutions. He

has received multiple teaching awards from medical students, residents and surgical societies nationally and internationally. His expertise and operative skills have been the subject of many documentaries and programs including a 60 Minutes program with Dan Rather, a two hour documentary about his life on the Discovery Health Channel titled “Medical Maverick” as well as another Discovery Special titled “Surgery Saved My Life - Battlefield Miami”.

Dr. Asensio has also served in the Distinguished Visiting Surgeons Program, a joint program of the United States Armed Forces and the American Association for the surgery of Trauma-AAST operating on the wounded casualties of both the Afghanistan and Iraq wars in Landstuhl Army Regional Medical Center, Germany. He is the Creator and Director of the Annual Masters of Trauma Surgery Course. He has received millions of dollars in NHI, DOD, DOT and multiple other grants. He is a nationally and internationally renowned surgeon and holds Knighthood in the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of Saint John of Jerusalem Rhodes and Malta- “The Knights of Malta” for his contributions to Humanity, Science and Human Rights.

Dr. Peter Bell: Dr. Bell is the Vice President of Global Medical Education and Executive Dean of Clinical Sciences, member board of the Caribbean Accreditation Authority for Education in Medicine and Other Health Professions (CAAM-HP).



CAAM-HP is the legally constituted body established that accredits medical schools and enables MD program graduates to practice in Caribbean Community (CARICOM) member states.

A board-certified anesthesiologist, Dr. Bell received his MD degree and his doctorate from the JW Goethe University in Frankfurt, Germany. He spent nine years in the German navy as a medical officer. During that time, he was trained as a naval flight surgeon at the US Naval Aerospace Medical Institute in Pensacola, Florida. Before coming to AUA, he chaired the Department of Anesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine at Holberton Hospital, St. John’s, Antigua. Dr. Bell has excelled in his work as a physician, an educator, and an administrator.

Dr. Christina Bloem: Dr. Christina Bloem is an Associate Professor and the Director of the International Division of the Department of Emergency Medicine at SUNY Downstate Medical Center/Kings County Hospital. She completed an International Emergency Medicine Fellowship and a Masters in Public Health, with a concentration in



Global Health at George Washington University. Dr. Bloem completed her Emergency Medicine residency at SUNY Downstate Medical Center/Kings County Hospital. She serves on the Board of Directors of ACAIM (American College of Academic International Medicine). She also is a founding member and President of the nonprofit EMEDEX International, which works in global emergency medicine systems development. Dr. Bloem is a founding member and serves on the executive committee of the SUNY Global Health Institute, a cross-campus collaborative initiative to expand global health education, research and service across the SUNY system. She is also the International Director for ABRAMEDE (Brazilian Association of Emergency Medicine). Dr. Bloem has worked abroad in Haiti, Brazil, Peru, Guyana, Cote d’Ivoire, India, Turkey, and Qatar. She has several publications on emergency medicine systems implementation in both Haiti and Brazil. Dr. Bloem is fluent in Portuguese and Spanish, and also speaks German, French and Haitian Creole. Her areas of interest include development of emergency medicine systems, intercultural communication, and prehospital system development.

Dr. Michael S. Firstenberg: Dr. Firstenberg is a board-certified thoracic surgeon. He is an Associate Professor of Surgery and Integrative Medicine at Northeast Ohio Medical University and practices at Summa Akron City Hospital in Akron, Ohio where he also serves as the Director of Surgical Research. He joined the faculty in Akron almost 5 years ago after 6 years on the faculty at



The Ohio State University where he also did his Thoracic training with advanced surgical training at The Cleveland Clinic. He has been involved with numerous Institution leaderships, development, quality, process improvement, and multi-disciplinary committees as well as the Principal investigator on numerous Industry and Translational research projects. He is also an active member of the STS (Society for Thoracic Surgeons), ACC (American College of Cardiology), and AATS (American Association for Thoracic Surgeons) and currently serves on numerous leadership committees for these organizations. He has co-authored >100 peer-reviewed manuscripts, authored numerous book chapters, and edited several textbooks in addition to serving on the editorial board of several international Journals. He has also lectured worldwide on mechanical support therapies.

Dr. Sagar C. Galwankar: Dr. Sagar Galwankar Graduated from Pune University, India as a MBBS Allopathic Physician in 1995. He is Residency Trained and Board Certified in Internal



Medicine and Emergency Medicine in India and The United States Respectively. He also has completed his Masters in Public Health with his career focused on International Health Diplomacy. His Academic Experience over the last Two Decades includes consistent achievements in Innovative Strategies which have led to Publications, Creation of Organizations, and development of path breaking models in International Patient Centered Education Research and Care.

He has played a defining role in founding and building internationally recognized Interdisciplinary PubMed Indexed Journals. His work is easily accessible on PubMed. His Executive Experience is highlighted by his Visionary Leadership when he founded the SevenHills Hospital Emergency Health System at SevenHills Hospital (SHH) Mumbai. SHH is a Partnership Project between the Government and the Private Sector. He is the CEO of The INDUSEM Health and Medicine Collaborative and heads the World Academic Council for Emergency Medicine and also serves as the Global Director of The American College of Academic International Medicine. His Clinical Responsibilities involve a faculty position at the University of Florida UFNorth Hospital at Jacksonville.

Dr. Manish Garg: Dr. Manish Garg, MD FAAEM is a Professor of Emergency Medicine, the Senior Associate Residency Program Director and the Director of Global Medicine at the Lewis Katz School of Medicine and Temple University Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



He feels honored to contribute to Global Medicine with a combination of service, research and teaching. Dr. Garg founded the international medical program/curriculum at Temple and has had the privilege of leading multiple medical student, physician and allied health care provider missions throughout the world. In this capacity, he feels fortunate to help future leaders in medicine become responsible global caregivers. Dr. Garg is the Temple site primary investigator for the EMERGENCY ID Net, an NIH/CDC research surveillance group, where he has received annual grant funding and been able to assist his fellow physicians in recognizing and treating emerging infectious disease. Dr. Garg is a respected educator, having received numerous teaching awards including 7 medical student/resident departmental awards, multiple golden apples and the institution-wide teacher of the year.

Dr. Garg believes in ACAIM and feels honored to collaborate with his compassionate and dedicated colleagues who strive to promote global medicine to the forefront with steadfast dedication to teaching, service and healing. As current Board of Governor member,

Vice-President, chair of multiple committees, and scholarly contributor, Dr. Garg is committed to this humanitarian organization and pledges his unconditional support. Dr. Garg considers it a true privilege to speak at AIM, and thanks you in advance for your time and enthusiasm. Dr. Garg is the lucky husband of Dr. Sona Garg and the proud father of Arya, Savi and Rohan Garg.

Dr Vicente H. Gracias: Dr. Gracias, the OPUS 12



Keynote Speaker, is Professor of Surgery, Senior Vice Chancellor for clinical affairs of RBHS, President and Chair of Rutgers Health Group (RHG). Organized as a nonprofit subsidiary corporation of Rutgers University, RHG is an integrated group practice

incorporating 1,000 clinical faculty from across Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, New Jersey Medical School, Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey, University Behavioral Health Care, Rutgers School of Dental Medicine, and the School of Nursing. In these dual roles, Dr. Gracias leads the growth and evolution of our clinical enterprise during this time of systemic change in health care. Dr. Gracias works closely with our deans, institute directors, and faculty leaders to encourage collaboration, advance quality and excellence, and provide strategic direction. With his characteristic energy and enthusiasm, Dr. Gracias will be our champion for adopting the paradigm of patient-centered, population-based, and value-driven health care practices throughout RBHS, the University, and surrounding health systems. He will also serve as a liaison with the principal teaching hospitals of RBHS, insurers and payers, and our patient communities.

Dr. Gracias recently served as interim dean of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School where he helped orchestrate its successful start toward value driven care. He is also a professor of surgery at RWJMS and founded the surgical critical care and acute care surgery fellowships at RWJMS. Fellowship trained and board certified in general surgery, trauma surgery, and surgical critical care, he has served as chief of acute care surgery and as the director of both the adult and pediatric trauma centers at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital (RWJUH). Dr. Gracias received his undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame and his MD from the University of Utah School of Medicine. He completed residency training in general surgery at the University of Illinois in Chicago, Metro Group Hospitals, Research Fellowship at University of Illinois and Fellowship in trauma/surgical critical care at the University of Pennsylvania (Penn) Medical Center where he served on faculty for over ten years, was promoted to Associate Professor of Surgery before transitioning to RWJMS.

Dr. Sunil K. Khetarpal: Prof. Khetarpal brings with him a rich experience of three decades in the Healthcare sector gathered at prestigious hospitals of India, spanning across areas of Operations, Quality and NABH Accreditation, Strategy and Policy Structuring, Staffing and Administration, Medical, Nursing and Support Services, Medico Legal Issues, Projects and Business Development, Academics and Training.



Currently working as Chief Operating Officer and Medical Superintendent at Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute and Research Centre, Delhi, India, He is the Honorary Secretary Delhi Chapter of AHPI (Association of Healthcare providers of India).

A medical graduate from Kurnool Medical College, Andhra Pradesh, India, he holds a Master's degree in Hospital Administration, PG Diploma in Medico Legal Systems and a PG Diploma in Medical Law and Ethics. A qualified Assessor and Trainer for NABH Standards, he has conducted a large number of NABH assessments of Hospitals in the country.

Recipient of "Medical Excellence Award" on Doctor's Day celebrated on July 2, 2017 by Delhi Medical Association, Certificate of Appreciation by AHPI – Association of Healthcare Providers of India and a "Global Healthcare Excellence Award" by Prime Time India Pvt Ltd., Dr. Khetarpal is also a proud recipient of "Best Hospital Administrator award" by Medgate India for the year 2015 among many other prestigious awards.

An enthusiastic speaker at various national and international forums Dr. Khetarpal served as faculty member for various postgraduate programs in Health Care Management Institutes across the country including IIHMR Jaipur. He has been invited as a speaker at the seventh GAPIO Midyear Conference 2017 at Tampa, Florida, USA, and Invited as a Moderator at HMA 2017 (Hospital Management Asia) to be held at Manila, Philippines in August, 2017.

Life Member of DMA, IMA and IMACGP, Dr Khetarpal is a Member Certification Advisory Committee BSI (British Standard International, and Member & Treasurer – Delhi Voluntary Hospital Forum with 40 hospitals as members.

Dr. Marian P. McDonald: Marian P. McDonald is Chief of General Surgery, Allentown Campus, for the St Luke's University Health Network. She is also an Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery for the Louis Katz School of Medicine for Temple University. Currently, she is a Fellow in the Master's Program for Education of Health Professionals at Johns Hopkins University, with an interest in clinical



education and leadership. Dr. McDonald works on several committees with SAGES, including the Global Health and Safe Cholecystectomy committees. She completed her General Surgery training at The Cleveland Clinic Foundation and a Upper Gastrointestinal Fellowship at The Lahey Clinic in Boston. Her interest in international medicine began in the early 1990s where she spent three months in West Africa as a medical student. Her work has taken her to Ghana, Haiti, and South America. Upon completion of her Masters in Education for Health Professionals in 2018, she hopes to develop international teaching programs for developing and underdeveloped countries.

Dr. Ramesh Mehta: Dr. Mehta has worked in the NHS for 36 years and retired as a Consultant Paediatrician from Bedford Hospital in 2017. He is former Hon. Consultant in Paediatric Rheumatology at Great Ormond Street Hospital.



President, British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO)
President, Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO)
Strategic Lead, South Asia, Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH)
Consultant Paediatrician, Bedford Hospital, UK

He has been postgraduate clinical tutor for Cambridge Deanery; principle regional examiner for Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health; PLAB examiner, General Medical Council; Undergraduate Speciality Tutor for Cambridge University and instructor for Advanced Paediatric Life Support training.

Dr Mehta is national and overseas examiner for MRCPCH. He has been an elected member of the council of Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (2004-09) and Vice Chair MRCPCH Part 2 Board. He chaired the Paediatric development group, Eastern Region. He is strategic lead, South Asia for the RCPCH. He is also a fellow of the Higher Education Academy, UK (FHEA). He was a member of standards setting group in paediatrics & neonatology, General Medical Council, UK. He has been a Reviewer for Health Care Commission (UK).

In addition to Dr. Mehta's keen interest in medical education, his clinical interests are in Paediatric Rheumatology and Childhood Asthma. He has presented several papers in national and international meetings.

He is recipient of several awards including prestigious National Clinical Excellence Awards. He was HSJ top 50 BME leaders in the NHS for 2 consecutive years in 2013 and 2014. He was also HSJ top 100 clinical Leaders in the NHS in 2014. He has been awarded

Honorary Fellowship of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health. He was recognised in Queen's Birthday Honours List in 2017 with an appointment of the officer of the Order of British Empire (OBE) for services to the NHS.

Dr. Mehta is founder president of British Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (BAPIO). It has now become the biggest and most influential organisation of Ethnic Minority Medical Graduates in UK. He is President of the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) representing estimated 1.2 million Indian doctors practicing worldwide.

Dr. Mehta is happily married to Ritu. He enjoys travelling, trekking and gardening.

Dr. Alaa-Eldin A. Mira: Dr Mira is the Chief of



Geriatrics and Program Director for the Geriatric Medicine Fellowship at St. Luke's University Health Network. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine at Temple University School of Medicine. Dr. Mira has over 30 years of experience in the areas of surgery, infectious disease and geriatrics. Dr. Mira is a

member of several prestigious organizations and currently serves on numerous leadership committees. His areas of expertise include dementia, frailty, delirium and post-acute care.

Dr. Sudip Nanda: Dr. Nanda is a practicing cardiac



electrophysiologist at St Luke's University Health Network/Temple University School of Medicine, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He has trained at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, India's premier medical institution in Internal medicine. Thereafter he

has trained in cardiac electrophysiology at the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota. He is active in medical education, service and research. He has over 70 peer reviewed publications, multiple book chapters and is a reviewer for multiple national and international journals. He has the unique experience of practicing medicine in both the developed and the developing world.

Dr. Mayur Narayan: Dr. Narayan is an Attending



Surgeon at Weill Cornell Medical Center in the Division of Trauma, Burns, Critical and Acute Care Surgery. He was previously Associate Professor in the Department of Surgery at UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX, where he also served as Chief of Acute Care Surgery, Chief of the Surgical Intensive

Care Unit and Associate Program Director for the General Surgery Residency Program. He was previously an Assistant Professor at the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD, where he founded and served as Medical Director for the Center of Injury Prevention & Policy. He was the Associate Director of the Division of Medical Education and Course Founder and Director for two new courses, the Humanism Symposium and the Surgical Boot Camp.

Dr. Narayan received a B.S. (major-biology) from Old Dominion University and his MD from the Eastern Virginia Medical School (EVMS) as a member of the highly competitive joint BS/MD program. He stayed on to complete his internship and general surgery residency at EVMS. Dr. Narayan completed his Surgical Critical Care and Traumatology Fellowships at the University of Maryland R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center. He received a Master of Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health and a Master of Business Administration from the Johns Hopkins University Carey Business School. Dr. Narayan has also received his Master of Health Professions Education from Harvard Macy and the MGH Institute of Health Professions.

Dr. Narayan has been an invited international lecturer in trauma and injury prevention. Additionally, he serves as Visiting International Faculty for Trauma at the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, and the King George Medical College in Lucknow as well as the Chengdu 120 Emergency Command Center Chengdu, China. He is a member of both Alpha Omega Alpha and the Gold Humanism Honor Society. He is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2011 Leonard Tow Humanism Award awarded by the Gold Humanism Honor Society and Arnold P. Gold Foundation. In 2012, the Arnold P. Gold Foundation awarded him the prestigious Gold Doctor, a national award given to those "working to keep the care in healthcare". In addition, Dr. Narayan has been awarded the highly coveted Golden Apple Teaching Award for Best Clinical Faculty by the American Medical Student Association in 2012 and 2013. In 2013 and 2014, Dr. Narayan's led Center for Injury Prevention & Policy was awarded a Senatorial Award from US Senator Barbara Mikulski, D-MD for positively impacting the lives of troubled youth in Maryland. In 2014, Dr. Narayan was Visiting Professor for the White House Medical Unit. He is a member of the American College of Surgeons, the Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma, the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, the International College of Surgeons, the Association of Surgical Education, the Association for Academic Surgery, the L.D. Britt Surgical Society, the Indian American Surgical Association and several other organizations. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the American College of Critical Care Medicine, and the International College of Surgeons.

Dr. Chinenye O. Nwachuku: Chinenye O. Nwachuku, MD currently serves as Clinical Faculty at St. Luke's University Health Network's Orthopaedic Surgery Department as well as Assistant Clinical Professor at Temple University's Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. He is a graduate of Georgetown University School of Medicine. He trained in Orthopedics at St. Vincent's – Manhattan and completed his orthopaedic trauma fellowship at Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia.



During his tenure he has been the driving force with the residential team and has significantly contributed to research, publishing, lectures and workshops. He is a fellow of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons, faculty with the AO North America and is a member of the Consortium of Orthopaedic Academic Traumatologists, an academic society dedicated to supporting global health and orthopaedic efforts via institutional partnerships and collaboration.

In terms of international work, he has a working relationship with the orthopaedic surgery practice at Mbingo Baptist Hospital in Bamenda, Cameroon by ways of clinical and didactic sessions. This was sparked by his previous volunteer work in Haiti and Nigeria. He hopes to be part of the infrastructure that will provide better and sustainable orthopaedic care and education between the U.S and countries in Sub-saharan Africa. When he is not busy with his practice he enjoys time with his wife and two sons in New Jersey.

Prof. Thomas J. Papadimos: Dr. Papadimos is Professor and Associate Dean Medical Director, Lloyd A. Jacobs Interprofessional Immersive Simulation Center Director, Division of Critical Care Medicine Department of Anesthesiology The University of Toledo College of Medicine and Life Sciences Toledo, Ohio.



Prof. Papadimos co-authored >200 scholarly publications, including several books. He mentored hundreds of residents, fellows, and junior faculty members throughout his career. He is a member of numerous prestigious national and international organizations, including important leadership posts.

His international medical efforts include both clinical and didactic outreach around the globe, including China, Greece, and India. He is a renowned medical ethicist, with a diverse body of works in this area – from studying 'the human condition' to his work on ethics of epidemics.

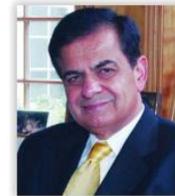
Dr. Scott M. Pappada: Dr. Pappada is an Assistant



Professor at the University of Toledo with joint faculty appointments in the Colleges Medicine and Life Sciences and Engineering. He has a broad background in biomedical engineering specifically focused in the field of advanced signal processing and modeling of physiological signals. His specific areas of expertise include pattern recognition and machine learning algorithms (in particular, artificial neural networks). His research in the healthcare domain surrounds the development of algorithms, technologies, and software for medical devices that facilitates decision support from both clinician and patient perspectives.

Dr. Pappada's previous research involved the development of predictive models to guide clinical decision support systems. This includes the development of neural network models for real-time prediction of glucose in both inpatient (critical care/critically ill patients with lack of glycemic control) and outpatient settings (patients with diabetes mellitus). He also has considerable experience in real-time processing and modeling of EEG signals for several applications including but not limited to: seizure detection, critical care patient monitoring, depth of anesthesia monitoring, psychiatry, and sleep medicine.

Dr. Sudhir M. Parikh: Dr. Parikh is one of the most honored Indian Americans. Topping the honors is the 2010 Padma Shri conferred on Dr. Parikh by the President of India, Prathibha Patil. In March 2012, recognizing his philanthropic contributions, Dr. Parikh has been nominated as Knight of the Ecumenical



Hospitaller Order of St. John Knights of Malta. He is the recipient of the 2006 Pravasi Bharatiya Samman, bestowed on non-resident Indians (NRIs) by the government of India. He's also a recipient of the 2005 Ellis Island Medal of Honor. In October 2013, Dr. Parikh was honored with the Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Samman at Britain's House of Lords, by Rt. Hon. Baroness Sandip Verma. He was a Member of American Media Delegation that accompanied President Barack Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama on their visit to India in November 2010. Dr. Parikh was appointed member of the National Leadership Advisory Committee of the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian Americans in 1999 in recognition of his efforts on the Hill.

Dr. Parikh is the Chairman and Publisher of Parikh Worldwide Media Inc., the largest Indian-American publishing group in the United States. The group publishes five periodicals – "News India Times," a national weekly newspaper; "Desi Talk in New York," a weekly serving the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut

region; and “Desi Talk in Chicago,” a weekly serving the Greater Chicago area and the Midwestern states; “The Indian American,” a national bimonthly feature magazine, and the Gujarat Times, a Gujarati language weekly.

As a leading advocate for India with the U.S. Congress and government, Dr. Parikh has been responsible for bringing a number of American political leaders to serve the cause of U.S.-India relations. He was, for instance, responsible for Congressman Elliot Engel (D-N.Y.), Rush Holt (D-N.J.) and Anthony Weiner (D-N.Y.) joining the Congressional Caucus on India and Indian Americans. As a (founding) member of the Indian American Republican Council (IARC), Dr. Parikh has worked tirelessly for the fruition of the U.S.-India nuclear deal. Dr. Parikh also has been a Grand Sponsor of India’s Independence Day celebrations held in New York City. Through the Indian American Forum for Political Education, he was instrumental in starting a Congressional Internship Program.

Dr. Parikh is a patron of philanthropic organizations, including as Senior Advisor and Founder of the USA chapter of the Gujarat-based Project Life – a major Non-Governmental Organization started in 1978, which is heavily involved in building schools in rural areas, expanding education for marginalized populations, and in the healthcare arena, in India; National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations (NECO), Order of St. John Knights of Malta and the American India Foundation, and has donated substantial amounts to select causes in India, Europe and America. Dr. Parikh accompanied President Clinton when he visited Gujarat to assess the impact of the earthquake in 2001. From 1995 through 2005, Dr. Parikh funded a scholarship program for undergraduate students in the Indian-American community through the Share and Care Foundation.

Dr. Parikh is a leading allergist and has received acclaim in the field of allergy, asthma and immunology. He is chairman and owner of one of the largest Allergy & Immunology Group with over 22 clinics in the tri-state area with over 150 employees. He is a Diplomate of American Board of Allergy and Immunology, Clinical Associate Professor at the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, a Fellow of the American College of Allergy & Immunology and Trustee of American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI).

Drs. Kiran C. and Pallavi Patel: Born in India, Pallavi



Patel and the Zambia-born Kiran C. Patel first met while studying medicine in Ahmedabad, India. Upon completion of their degrees, they married and began their new lives and medical practices in Zambia. There, the two practiced medicine for five years before arriving in the United States on

Thanksgiving Day, 1976. While they did not realize it at the time, the doctors were later to see this significant date as part of their destiny. Both doctors received their advanced specializations in New York at Columbia University: he in cardiology, and she in pediatrics. Seeking to join family already living in Florida, the Patels moved to Tampa Bay in the early 1980s and set up practice. While in private cardiology practice in the Tampa Bay area, Dr. Kiran C. Patel not only earned a respected reputation as a physician, but also gained a unique vision of the future of medical care. Rather than shun the growing trend towards managed health care, he began to develop solutions that made sense from the physician's point of view. In 1982, the Patels started a physicians' practice ownership and management company, which quickly expanded to 14 practices including family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics and cardiology serving more than 8,000 patients. As a result of their successful work in the industry, they became involved with Wellcare HMO, Inc., and Dr. Kiran C. Patel became chairman of the board. Under his leadership, Wellcare grew to become the second largest HMO in Florida, serving more than 200,000 members. Continuing to develop the managed health care field, in 1999 Dr. Kiran C. Patel acquired and turned around a struggling New York HMO, and together the companies became the WellCare Management Group. By this time, WellCare had revenues of over \$1 billion, served over 400,000 members and employed more than 1,200 members. In 2003, the Patels sold their majority of his interest in their business, and Dr. Kiran C. Patel turned his attention to the family's many philanthropic endeavors. That same year, he became chairman of the American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI), a professional organization representing over 40,000 physicians. It was from this vantage point that he began to tackle several significant humanitarian projects in India, including the construction of numerous hospitals, a diabetes research study, and improved health care access for poor and rural citizens. In 2001, a major earthquake had devastated villages throughout Gujarat, India, killing thousands, collapsing buildings and homes and leaving masses of crippled people and orphaned children. Dr. Kiran C. Patel united the Tampa Bay community and AAPI and led an effort that eventually rehabilitated the villagers' homes, constructed an orphanage and model school and created four modern hospitals. As the Patels were in India opening the fourth of the earthquake relief hospitals, a devastating tsunami struck Asia. Moving into action, they organized fundraising efforts and secondary relief plans to build schools and clinics along India's devastated eastern shore. This effort is on-going thanks to a generous response from the Tampa Bay community matched by the Patels' own money.

Dr. Pallavi Patel's current activities center on her growing family medicine practice. Today, Bay Area Primary Care has 10 clinics which she oversees along

with the help of her two daughters and son-in-law, who also are physicians. Dr. Kiran C. Patel serves as the chairman and Dr. Pallavi Patel is president of the Patel Foundation for Global Understanding, a non-profit organization that develops and funds a wide variety of programs in health, education, arts and culture. Together they have made possible the USF/Dr. Kiran C. Patel Charter School along with the Dr. Pallavi Patel Pediatric Care Center at the school as well as the highly celebrated Dr. Pallavi Patel Performing Arts Conservatory. In 2003, Dr. Kiran Patel was appointed by Florida's governor to the University of South Florida Board of Trustees. In 2004, the Patels were awarded the Cultural Contributor of the Year Award by the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce. The Foundation also supports a yearly U.S. scholarship fund for underprivileged youth and the IMAGINE Project, which teaches philanthropic entrepreneurship to young leaders. USF CHART-India Program, another innovative foundation project, works aggressively to provide HIV/AIDS treatment, prevention and education programs throughout India's rural and urban populations.

Dr. Gregory Peck: Gregory Peck, DO, FACS, is the associate director of trauma performance improvement, associate director of trauma, and associate director of the acute care surgery fellowship at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick, NJ. He completed a two-year acute care surgery fellowship at Emory University – Grady Memorial Hospital in 2013 and was awarded the Pan-American Trauma Society Travel scholarship for a month-long global mentorship under Dr. Ricardo Ferrada and Dr. Carlos Ordonez in Cali, Colombia.



He helped establish the global surgery program at Rutgers University Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and was awarded a three-year grant with Dr. Ordonez for their U.S. Agency for International Development *Research Innovations Fellowship Program - A Syndemic Approach to Trauma Systems Regionalization in Cali, Colombia* concept.

In 2015, the American Association for Surgery of Trauma Acute Care Surgery Committee approved his Acute Care Surgery Global Surgery elective proposal affording acute care surgery fellows a model for international surgery mentorship in complex clinical and systems based burden. Since then, his work with the ACS Young Fellows Association and the Lancet Commission on Global Surgery have led to recent publications focused on global clinical, education, training, and research expansion initiatives centered on metrics in trauma systems development and timely, safe, and affordable access to emergent and essential surgical care in Latin America.

He hopes to build national and international relationships to better understand and implement the effective Administrative Leadership for the future of Global Surgery Career Development.

Dr. Scott Plantz: Scott H. Plantz, MD graduated Summa Cum Laude with honors from Creighton, AOA at the University of NE Medical School, and then completed residency training at Mayo, Michigan State, and the University of Illinois in Emergency Medicine.



He is a retired Associate Professor at the University of Louisville. He has served as editor in chief of 32 textbooks, and has written over 200 journal articles, textbook chapters, and CME courses. He has written and helped pass two state laws, one of which passed in over 35 states. He has done volunteer medical education trips in over ten countries. He was the whistleblower in two emergency medicine fraud cases that recovered over \$170 million in fraud for the U.S. federal government. He is the co-founder of the American Academy of Emergency Medicine which today has nearly 10,000 members. He has founded four medical education projects - eMedicine, Pearlsreview, Pearls of Wisdom, and StatPearls that together have helped provide inexpensive educational resources to over 20 million health professionals and hundreds of millions of consumers worldwide. He is the proud father of Huntly Plantz and his wife is Cynna Plantz.

Dr. Joseph V. Sakran: Dr. Sakran is an assistant professor of surgery, director of emergency general surgery, and associate Chief of the Division of Acute Care Surgery at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. After a comprehensive general surgery training at Inova Fairfax Hospital, Dr. Sakran completed his fellowship in traumatology, surgical critical care, and emergency general surgery at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. His past experience is in resource-poor settings, working with underprivileged and minority high school students, and has a public health background that has provided him with the skill-set needed to take on the challenges of improving care among vulnerable populations both domestically and abroad. As a former victim of gun violence, Joe spends a significant portion of his time as a clinician, researcher, and advocate with a primary goal of reducing firearm death and disability in America. Dr. Sakran completed a one-year educational sabbatical at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government where he developed a unique skill set within public policy, economics, and leadership development. During the most recent Presidential Campaign, he founded Doctors



for Hillary, bringing to the forefront through a grassroots effort on healthcare issues important to Americans all across this country. He was recognized by Secretary Clinton for his work and advocacy specifically on Gun Violence. Dr. Sakran is a sought after national and international speaker, and holds numerous national roles in surgical organizations most recently serving as past-Chair of the Resident and Associate Society for the American College of Surgeons (ACS). He currently serves on the Young Fellows Association Governing Council, and is the Vice-Chair of the International Sub-Committee for Operation Giving Back for the American College of Surgeons and is Chair of the Communication and Technology Committee for the Association for Academic Surgery. Within ACAIM, Dr. Sakran serves on the Board of Governors.

Prof. Anupam Sibal: Prof Sibal joined Indraprastha Apollo Hospitals, Delhi in 1997 as a Senior Consultant Pediatric Gastroenterologist and Hepatologist and established the division of pediatric gastroenterology and hepatology. In 1998, he helped set up the first successful pediatric liver transplant program in India. Since 2013, the Apollo Transplant Program is the busiest solid organ transplant program in the World. In 2016, 2800 liver transplants were performed of which 230 were in children.



He was appointed as the Group Medical Director of the Apollo Hospitals Group in 2005. Professor Sibal is an Honorary Clinical Professor at Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia. He has more than ninety-five publications in medical literature, serves on the editorial board of three journals and has edited a text book of paediatric gastroenterology and hepatology.

In June 2005, he helped achieve the First International Accreditation of a hospital in India by Joint Commission International (JCI). He currently is a member, Asia - Pacific Advisory Council of JCI. Prof. Sibal served as the only Asian JCI Physician Surveyor from January 2008 to 2010. Prof. Sibal also served as Joint Secretary of the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) from 2011 – 2014 and as Secretary General from 2016 – 2017. He was appointed as the Vice President of GAPIO in January 2017.

Prof. Sibal is the author of "Is Your Child Ready to face the World?" Exploring the crux of parenting, this book asks and answers whether your child is ready to face the world. The book has become a national best seller. He lectures extensively in India and overseas on healthcare, pediatrics, leadership and parenting.

Dr. Ziad C. Sifri: Dr Sifri is an Associate Professor of Surgery at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School in Newark, NJ and is a Trauma and Critical Care Attending at University Hospital. Dr. Sifri attended Medical School at McGill University and completed his General Surgery Residency at John Hopkins University. He then completed a two year Trauma/ Critical Care and Research Fellowship at NJMS, Rutgers University.



Dr. Sifri is the co-founder and President of International Surgical Health Initiative (ISHI), a humanitarian non-profit organization (501c3) since 2009. ISHI provides free surgical care to underserved communities internationally through volunteer services. ISHI has completed 20 surgical missions with over 1500 free surgeries in 6 LMICs. Dr. Sifri has personally led 15 missions, and currently leads 2-3 surgical missions per year.

Dr. Sifri is the Director Global Health office at the Rutgers-New Jersey Medical School. He is also the Global Surgery Fellowship Director and the Director of Center for Global Surgery.

Dr. Samara Soghoian: Dr. Soghoian is a graduate of McGill University School of Medicine and completed her residency in emergency medicine at Kings County Hospital/SUNY Downstate, followed by fellowship in Medical Toxicology at NYU and the New York City Poison Control Center. She is presently a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine at New York University (NYU) School of Medicine, and deals extensively with issues pertaining to the improvement of health care in countries with limited medical resources.



In 2009 she was appointed by NYU to facilitate a partnership for health professional development with Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital (KBTH), the National Hospital of Ghana and the oldest public teaching hospital in West Africa. Subsequently KBTH directly hired Dr. Soghoian to lead the development of an emergency medicine service and improve the quality of emergency patient care at the hospital. Now in her sixth full-time year of this project, she is directing a team of nearly 200 clinical and non-clinical emergency department staff, including 16 junior doctors, who provide care for over 11,000 patients each year.

Dr. Soghoian completed a Masters in Medical Anthropology at McGill University before entering medical school, which continues to inform her practice of medicine, education, and research. She is a member

of ACEP, AFEM, and has been an active participant in the INDUS-EM Annual Summit since 2007.

Dr. Stanislaw P. Stawicki: Dr. Stawicki is the Chair of



the Department of Research & Innovation and co-directs the Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Research and the IRB at St Luke's University Health Network. A specialist in General Surgery, Surgical Critical Care & Neurocritical Care, he co-authored >480 scholarly publications,

including several books. His lifetime extramural funding exceeds \$1.5 million. He is a member of numerous prestigious organizations and editorial boards. His areas of expertise include patient safety, academic leadership, mentorship, trauma, critical care, injury prevention, systems engineering, and sonography.

Prof. Terence Stephenson: Professor Stephenson is the



Chair of the General Medical Council (GMC), the independent regulator of the UK's 260,000 doctors. Dr Stephenson, the Nuffield Professor of Child Health at the UCL Institute of Child Health, has spent most of his career specialising in paediatric medicine and paediatric emergencies. Professor Stephenson is also an Honorary Consultant

Paediatrician at UCL Hospitals NHS Trust & Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Trust, and the current Chair of the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges.

He has co-authored textbooks, written invited chapters and editorials, and published more than 150 peer-reviewed papers in academic journals. He has been described as leading by example, which was recognized by the ten honorary Fellowships bestowed on Prof. Stephenson from colleges based in the UK, Ireland, Hong Kong and Australia. In 2014 he received an honorary Fellowship from the Royal College of General Practitioners. In 2015 he was elected a Fellow of the Faculty of Pain Medicine.

Dr. Mamta Swaroop: Dr. Swaroop is an Associate



Professor of Surgery in the Division of Trauma and Critical Care Surgery and is on the faculty of the Center for Global Health in the Institute for Public Health and Medicine at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine. She completed

her General Surgery residency at the University of South Florida in 2009 and her Surgical Critical Care Fellowship at Northwestern in 2010. She serves as the Global Surgery Program Director for the residency and as a coveted mentor for the medical students' Area of Scholarly Concentration Projects.

Dr. Swaroop's research focus is Academic Global Surgery, including trauma education and prevention. Her work spans across Southeast Asia to South America to locally in Chicago. Her research on helmet usage in female pillions (backseat passengers) on Motorized Two Wheeler added to the literature that led to legislative change in the governance of women needing to wear helmets in the capital city of New Delhi, India. In Bolivia, her team has written legislation for the implementation of a hybrid prehospital system, based upon local resources. Her work in Chicago, aims to empower communities to take action by making bystanders First Responders during the first few minutes after a traumatic event. She is a Co-Editor of the book, Success in Academic Surgery: Academic Global Surgery. This book is a useful guide for young faculty and residents entering the field.

She has served and serves on multiple national and international leadership boards, including the Association for Academic Surgery (AAS), the Indo-US Academic Council for Emergency and Trauma (ACET), the Global Alliance for Surgical, Obstetric, Trauma and Anaesthesia Care (G4 Alliance), the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST), the WHO Global Initiative for Emergency and Essential Surgery (GIEESC) and the Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH).

Dr. Keir Thelander: Dr. Thelander was born in a suburb of Chicago and grew up in Indianapolis, IN. He



attended Indiana University School of Medicine and subsequently completed his general surgery residency at Fairview Hospital in Cleveland, OH, in 2004. After a short time working as a General Surgeon in Cleveland, Dr.

Thelander was called to train and

disciple African doctors to become surgeons. In 2006, his young family of 4 embarked on a transcontinental trip which took them to Bongolo Hospital in the southern part of the country of Gabon. For 8 years Dr. Thelander served as the Program Director of the PAACS (Pan-African Academy of Christian Surgeons) surgical residency program as well as the medical director of this 150 bed facility. Over the last few years, Dr. Thelander fulfilled the role of Team Leader for the over 20 ex-patriots living in Bongolo. Additionally, he worked as the West/Central Africa Director for PAACS. In July of 2016, Dr. Thelander became the Chief Medical Officer with the PAACS. In this role he oversees the 12 PAACS training programs that are spread across Africa in 8 different countries training over 70 trainees. One of Dr. Thelander's passions is helping doctors and all people to thrive no matter the circumstances. Dr. Thelander now lives in Cleveland, OH, and is married with 2 children.

Dr. Elaine M. Wallace: Prof. Wallace currently serves as the Dean of at Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Wallace holds the rank of Professor in the Department of Osteopathic Principles and Practice and is the residency director of the NSU-COM Sports Medicine Fellowship.



Dr. Wallace has a BS in Biology. She has a MS in Higher Education – Teaching and Leadership specialization and a MS in Criminal Justice – Behavioral Sciences specialization and a MS. in Brain Research. She is currently enrolled in an EdD in Organizational Leadership. Dr. Wallace is certified in family medicine, sports medicine and neuromusculoskeletal medicine. She is also a graduate of the Helms/UCLA training program for physicians in medical acupuncture.

Dr. Wallace has been a physician for 36 years and has served in multiple capacities, including private practice, directing an emergency room, serving in a public health facility for well child care, and 27 years in academic medicine, both in departmental supervision, teaching and at Dean's level administration.

Dr. Wallace is a recognized national and international lecturer. She has received "Teacher of the Year" awards 11 times during her medical school teaching career and has received 4 awards in "Who's Who among American Teachers". She has received three American Osteopathic Awards as a student/physician mentor. She was a Harvard/Macy scholar in physician education. Dr. Wallace has also contributed significantly to the body of knowledge in her sub-specialty, developing a totally new diagnostic and treatment modality known as "Torque Unwinding" which has been taught to students and physicians, both nationally and internationally.

Dr. Wallace has also been influential in the humanistic development of medicine. She held a Templeton society grant that allowed her to develop courses in spirituality and medicine, now taught at two medical schools and to physicians nationwide. She has taught leadership courses for medical students and physicians. She has been influential in extending medicine beyond the doctor's office and the medical school with the development and implementation of programs in middle schools and grammar schools that taught students the functions and roles of doctors. Dr. Wallace was one of the pioneers in the development of medical missions for the Osteopathic profession. She has led missions to Mexico, Guatemala, Ecuador and currently to Vietnam. Dr. Wallace also pioneered development of standardized patient training (actors) for medical students twenty five years ago, that has now become a standard of education and testing in the Osteopathic profession. She is the recipient of the first NSU Faculty President's award for excellence in community services and the Morton Terry Founders Award for Inspirational Leadership in Education. She has been a career-long advocate for tough patient issues, developing and running a rape crisis center, developing medical school curriculum in human sexuality, as well as being an

advocate for patients with AIDS. She is an avid traveler, a devoted Mom, a lifelong student, and a lifelong learner.

Dr. Tamara Worlton: CDR Tamara Worlton graduated from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in 2003 and completed her General Surgery residency at National Naval Medical Center in 2008. Her fellowship was in Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery at Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio 2009-2010. She is currently stationed at Walter



Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, MD where she is the Interim Chief of General Surgery and Division Chief of Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery. She is also an Assistant Professor of Surgery at Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences as well as the co-director for the Division of Global Surgery. CDR Worlton served on the USS Abraham Lincoln, at a role 2E in Afghanistan and most recently in the Horn of Africa. CDR Worlton's interest in teaching and global surgery really began in the high desert of Uruzgan Province, teaching Afghan medics and physicians' trauma assessment and intervention. Her experience in global trauma teaching has continued as acting as faculty for the INDO-US Emergency Medicine Summit in 2012, 2013 and 2015. Most recently, she has been concentrating her global health efforts in Asia by coordinating a surgical resident rotation at Philippine General Hospital in Manila. She lectured at the 2017 Balikatan Trauma Symposium in Manila and was selected for the upcoming 6 month global health engagement mission, Pacific Partnership 2018, where she will be planning missions in multiple countries across Southeast Asia.

Dr. Richard P. Sharpe: Dr. Sharpe graduated from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in 1991 and completed his general surgery residency at the National Naval Medical Center in 1999. His fellowship was in Trauma Surgery and Surgical Critical Care at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, 2000-2002. During his 26-year



military career, Dr. Sharpe has had eight deployments to Kuwait, Iraq, Afghanistan and the Horn of Africa. It was during his service as the Senior Surgeon aboard USNS Comfort following the Jan 2010 earthquake in Port-au-Prince, Haiti that Dr. Sharpe became interested in developing and international medical program to assist developing countries in sustained improvements in care. Following his retirement from the military in 2013, Dr. Sharpe began working at the St. Luke's University Health Network, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He is the Founder and Director of the St. Luke's International Surgical Studies (SLISS) program, which is committed to sustained improvements in care in developing countries by providing critically needed supplies, equipment, training and visiting medical professionals. It is his desire to assist in training the next generation of healthcare workers to meet the needs of the international community.