



Residents Teaching Fellowship (R-TF)

Faculty Bios



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Dr. Epter is a Professor and the Program Director and Vice Chair of Education of Emergency Medicine at Maricopa Medical Center in Phoenix, Arizona. He has served as Past President of the Council of Residency Directors in Emergency Medicine. Dr. Epter has also served as the Education Chair for AAEM as well as Program Chair for CORD and served on the AAEM BOD. Dr. Epter has been awarded multiple academic and teaching awards including the prestigious CORD 2020 Michael P. Wainscott Program Director Award, CORD 2020 Impact Award, 2020 recipient of AAEM's prestigious Robert McNamara Award, and the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education prestigious Parker Palmer Award. He also received the 2019 Health Care Hero Award in Health Education awarded for contributions to Healthcare Education for physician wellness and resilience.



Co-Course Director:

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Dr. Carmelli is a graduate of the Emergency Medicine residency program at Kings County and SUNY Downstate in Brooklyn, where he also completed his two year Medical Education Fellowship. He furthered his medical education knowledge by completing a two-year Masters in Medical Education at the University of Pennsylvania. He completed his medical degree at USC's Keck School of Medicine in California, where he grew up. His interests are in medical education, where he has spent most of his time. He is an enthusiastic teacher both in the clinical setting and in the lecture hall. He was awarded "best resident", the first place award for the CPC National Competition at ACEP in 2016 and again as "best attending" in Sri Lanka at the World Academic Congress of Emergency Medicine (WACEM) conference in 2017. Currently he has a full time faculty position at the University of Massachusetts, where he is pursuing his various interests in education.

His interests include: Creative design and editing, curricular design, online communities and mentorship, medical education research, resident wellness, and lecture theory and guidance.



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Since my arrival at the University of Rochester 14 years ago, I have been actively involved in the education and mentorship of undergraduates, medical students, residents, fellows and faculty. From 2009 – 2017, I was the Program Director (PD) of the Emergency Medicine training program. Currently, I have moved to the School of Medicine, where I am currently the Associate Dean of Admissions where I sit on the promotion board, curriculum steering committee and direct a pre-matriculation program offered to students who may need/want extra support before medical school. My pathway in education started by my selection to Chief Resident during my EM residency at Alameda County, Highland Hospital and subsequent completion of the UCSF Teaching Scholars Program, ACEP Teaching Fellowship Program, the AAMC Junior and Mid-Career Faculty Professional Development Seminar, Developing from Within and CTSI Mentorship Course. I have spent my career in curricular design, mentorship and innovation in GME/UME. I've been active in past years with local and national leadership positions in ACEP and the Society of Academic Emergency Medicine. I have been the co-author of national policies dealing with gender disparities in health care and have also published multiple studies on residency remediation, gender disparities in academic medicine.



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Dr. Ahn is the Associate Program Director and Medical Education Fellowship Director at the University of Chicago Emergency Medicine Program. At the University of Chicago, he also directs a GME-wide clinical scholars program that provide residents with the skills to succeed as clinician educators. His academic interests are in procedural competency and curriculum design; his current two projects are an asynchronous intern curriculum (EM Fundamentals: www.emfundamentals.com) and a personal finance curriculum for residents (MD in the Black: www.mdintheblack.com).



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Dr. Akhtar has received several national awards for her dedication to medical education, emergency medicine and community service, including the prestigious 2018 ACGME Parker J. Palmer Courage to Teach Award for Program Director excellence and the 2018 Council of Emergency Medicine Residency Directors (CORD) Michael P. Wainscott Program Director Award.



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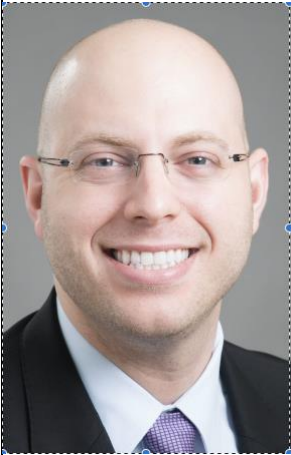
Dr. Cooney is a board-certified EP who received his medical degree from Jefferson Medical College. He completed his residency at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, PA, where he also served as a chief resident. After completion of his residency, he joined the founding faculty of the EM residency at Conemaugh Medical Center in Johnstown, PA. While at Conemaugh, he served in multiple clinical and faculty leadership roles, ending as Associate PD. These early teaching responsibilities stimulated a deep interest in medical education leading to his completing a Masters Degree in Medical Education from the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2014 and an Educational Scholars program focused on quality improvement through the Institute for Healthcare Improvement and Alliance of Independent Academic Medical Centers in 2015. In 2015, Dr. Cooney transitioned to Geisinger Medical Center where he has served as an Associate PD, PD, and, most recently, Director of Faculty Development for the healthcare system. In this role, he is responsible for supporting the development of academic physicians in all departments throughout their career trajectory, from residents to senior faculty. Dr. Cooney continues to serve with several national and international organizations, including The International Clinician Educator Network (ICENet), Council of Residency Directors in Emergency Medicine (CORD), the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), Academic Life in Emergency Medicine (ALiEM), and MedUtopia. In these roles, he focuses on preparing faculty for the future of medical education.



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Dr. Diller is an Assistant Professor and Associate Program Director at LAC+USC Medical Center in Los Angeles, California. He completed a Medical Education Fellowship at Oregon Health & Sciences University and is finishing a Masters in Health Professions Education at the University of Illinois - Chicago. He is the former Director of the Medical Education Fellowship at LAC+USC and his areas of interest within medical education include curriculum development, assessment, and faculty development.



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Dr. Gottlieb is the Director of the Emergency Ultrasound Division and the Program Director for the Clinical Ultrasound Fellowship at Rush University Medical Center. He is the co-creator and Chief Academic Officer for the Academic Life in Emergency Medicine (ALiEM) Faculty Incubator, as well as the President of the AAEM Ultrasound Section and Secretary/Newsletter Editor for the ACEP Ultrasound Section. He is also the Chair of the CORD Education Committee, the CORD Best Practices Committee, and the SAEM Education Summit. He has received numerous academic and teaching awards, including the ACEP National Emergency Medicine Junior Faculty Teaching Award, SAEM Program Committee Award for Outstanding Contribution to Advance the Specialty of Academic Emergency Medicine, CORD Academy for Scholarship Distinguished Scholar Award, and the AAEM Young Educator Award.



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Annahieta Kalantari, DO is a board-certified Emergency Medicine physician practicing in Hershey, PA. After graduating from Pennsylvania State University, she attended medical school at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Erie, PA and completed her residency in Emergency Medicine at St. Luke's University Hospital in Bethlehem, PA.

Since graduation, she developed an emergency medicine point of care ultrasound program from the ground up, designed and implemented a hospital wide sepsis alert program resulting in a profound decrease of hospital mortalities, and redesigned residency didactics. She has held multiple leadership roles including Assistant Residency Program Director, Director of Point of Care Ultrasonography, Chair of the Sepsis Management Committee, and Chair of the PACEP Education Committee. She currently serves as the Associate Program Director of the Emergency Medicine Residency Program and is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine with Penn State Health at Hershey Medical Center.

Dr. Kalantari is also an internationally known speaker and author. Her talks range from sepsis care and cardiogenic shock to physician wellness, establishing a stress mindset, and physician burnout.

Dr. Kalantari also serves as a faculty mentor for the ALiEM Wellness Think Tank and as a speaking coach for FeminEM. She is a writer for FeminEM, EmDocs, Emergency Medicine News and ACEPnow. Dr. Kalantari is the recipient of multiple teaching and speaking awards, including the Aria Jefferson Emergency Medicine Educator of the Year teaching award, the ACEP Teaching Fellowship Micro-teach award, and was awarded first place in her category in the American College of Emergency Physicians New Speakers Forum. Most recently she was awarded the ACEP National Emergency Medicine Faculty Teaching award and the Penn State College of Medicine Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching.



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Elise Lovell, MD is the Program Director at the Advocate Christ Medical Center (ACMC) Emergency Medicine (EM) residency and a Clinical Professor at the University of Illinois, Chicago. From 2011 through 2015, she served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Council of Emergency Medicine Residency Directors (CORD). She has received teaching awards from the EM and Internal Medicine residency programs at ACMC, the CORD Impact Award for contributions to the national CORD Academic Assembly, the Associate Program Director of the Year award from the Emergency Medicine Residents' Association, and the Ally Award from the SAEM Academy for Diversity and Inclusion in EM. Dr. Lovell graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, and completed her emergency medicine residency at the University of Cincinnati. Dr. Lovell has led workshops at multiple national conferences (ACEP, CORD, SAEM, ACGME) on topics including "Resident as Educator," "Taking Advantage of the Teachable Moment," "Teaching Procedural Skills," "Diagnosing and Treating the Difficult Learner," and "Evidence Based Wellness Interventions."



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Dr. Shenvi is an Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill. She serves as the Associate Program Director for the EM residency program. She also serves as Director of the UNC Office of Academic Excellence for the School of Medicine, coordinating coaching and academic support programs for the students. She runs the best (and only) Geriatric EM podcast, called GEMCAST (available on iTunes). Dr. Shenvi has received multiple teaching awards including the the 2015 UNC Academy of Educators teaching award, 2017 CORD faculty teaching award, the 2019 ACEP national junior faculty teaching award, and the 2020 UNC Academy of Educators GME teaching award. She co-directs the ACEP Teaching Fellowship and has a passion for teaching, learning, deliberate practice, and innovative pedagogy. She is particularly interested in helping individuals optimize their performance through time management using motivational and cognitive strategies.