



Boston Children's Hospital

Office of Faculty Development

Weekly Newsletter April 19, 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 - Next Week!!



How to Write a Specific Aims Page

Speaker: Peter A. Nigrovic, MD, Chief, Division of Immunology, Professor of Pediatrics, HMS

Friday, April 26, 12 – 1 PM, Karp 8 Conference Room. Lunch provided, with Passover appropriate options

The specific aims page is the single most important page in any grant, conveying not just the urgency and rigor of the proposed science but also the suitability of the investigator and the availability of key resources. Here we will discuss how to write a compelling aims page and how to use this document as a tool to optimize the grant as a whole, including for review by others.

We invite participants to submit an aims page for discussion at the event. This is optional and not necessary for participation. – email directly here to [Dr. Nigrovic](#)
Note that these may be distributed in advance to participants.

Space is limited and preregistration is required: register here via the [OFD form](#)
Co-sponsored by: Office of Faculty Development and Office of Postdoctoral Affairs



Dr. Ernest Gomez is a physician at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. Board-certified in otolaryngology–head and neck surgery, he has clinical interests which include head and neck tumors, local and microvascular reconstruction of the head and neck, transoral robotic surgery for cancer and sleep apnea, thyroid and parathyroid surgery, salivary gland surgery, facial reanimation and head and neck cancer survivorship.

Harvard Medical School/Harvard School of Public Health Joint Committee on the Status of Women Special Lecture: Challenging Hierarchy and Tradition to Promote Psychological Safety: The Cultural Morbidity and Mortality Review

Speaker: Ernest (Ted) Gomez, MD, MTR, FACS

Thursday, April 25, 2024, 12 – 2 PM
Tosteson Medical Education Center, Room 227

12-1 pm: Lecture

1-2 pm: Q & A Discussion

This event is organized by the JCSW Professional Equity Subcommittee
Co-Chairs: Eman Ansari, MD & Elisabetta del Re, PhD.

[Register Here](#)

Health Equity and Diversity

**2024 HMS Office of Diversity Inclusion and Community Partnership
Leadership and Faculty Development Program Conference**

Details: May 8-10

Location: Pechet Room, Joseph Martin Conf Center, 77 Avenue Louis Pasteur

Click here for [program and registration](#)

Congratulations to Natasha Archer, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, who has received the [Harold Amos Faculty Diversity Award](#)

Other Upcoming Events

Boston Children's Hospital Book Club: April 25th at 7 PM

What Strange Paradise by Omar El Akkad:

(National Arab American Heritage Month)

<https://www.omarelakkad.com/>

Winner - 2021 Giller Prize; Pacific Northwest Book Award

Finalist: Aspen Words Literary Prize; Oregon Book Award; Canada Reads

Selected: Best Book of the Year - New York Times, Washington Post, NPR, The Globe and Mail

Host: Eman Ansari, MD

[Join here via Zoom](#)

Drawing Figures for Journals, Tuesday, May 7, 12–1 PM

Speaker: Beth Beighlie, HMS IT

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

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

[Register here](#)

Join via [Zoom](#)

Boston Children's Hospital Earth Day Celebration

Join the BCH community **Thursday, April 25, 10-11 am**, in Folkman Auditorium or via Zoom for an event to celebrate Earth Day.

Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission, will discuss the impact of climate change on children's health in Boston. We will also learn about BCH initiatives to make care and research more sustainable.

[Register Here](#)

Please join us for:

**Boston Children's Hospital's
Earth Day Celebration 2024!**



Thursday, April 25
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



Folkman Auditorium
Or virtual via Zoom

Scan Here to
Register for the
Event





Current Faculty Funding Opportunities

New: BCH Caregiver Travel Grants

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.

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.

Application Deadline: 5/1/24, 12 noon

For questions and to receive a copy of the RFP, email [HealthEquity](#)

NEW: Awards open to members of the Medical Staff Organization

Faculty Innovated Research Award:

Who: Open to current members of the BCH Medical Staff Organization

What: One-time award of up to **\$5,000**

How many: **Five total**

Purpose: The Faculty Innovated Research Award is designed to help in creating an innovative research program for patient care or for the Medical Staff well-being.

MSO Faculty Ingenuity Award:

Who: Open to current members of the BCH Medical Staff Organization

What: One-time award of up to **\$2,500**

How many: **Ten total**

Purpose: The goal is to encourage participation at a national meeting, pursuing advanced degree or certificate program, contracting with a local introductory coach

training program, or joining a pediatric-based medical mission. We recognize that the work environment has become challenging in so many aspects, post-pandemic. The MSO Officers hope that this opportunity will appeal to those members who wish to engage with teams beyond our hospital boundaries, to cultivate personal growth, greater work-life balance, enhanced job satisfaction, and seek mechanisms to enrich and refine their approach to patient care.

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 3, 2024.

Awardees will be notified via email by May 17, 2024 and announced at the MSO Annual Meeting in June.

Please contact [Erin Payne](#) to request an application.

Call for Abstracts on Health Equity and Policy Research for the Fenwick Institute of Pediatric Health Equity Policy Research Symposium

The [Fenwick Institute](#) will host the 3rd Annual Pediatric Health Equity Policy Research Symposium on Thursday, September 12 - Friday, September 13, 2024.

The Symposium will feature keynote speaker, Dr. Joseph Wright, Chief Health Equity Officer, American Academy of Pediatrics

We encourage you to submit your research focused on health equity and policy. Abstract submissions are due **April 30 at 11:59pm**. You can find out more at: [Pediatric Health Equity and Policy Research Symposium](#)

For questions, contact [Lois Lee, MD, MPH](#)

Need guidance on professional development? CV review?

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

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

In Case you Missed It

ChatGPT and Medicine: An Introductory 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 serves as 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

The recording link will be distributed in an upcoming newsletter

The final session focused on the utilization of ChatGPT and LLMs in research, including translating research findings into practice, and strategies for risk mitigation and navigating the IRB process related to the use of LLMs in research settings.

Panel Discussion: Making History on "The Exceptions: Nancy Hopkins, MIT, and the Fight for Women in Science" now available online

On September 12, 2023, the Office of the Executive Vice President and Chief Scientific Officer, the Office of Faculty Development, the Office for Women's Careers, the Office of Health Equity and Inclusion, the Division of Emergency Medicine, the Boston Children's Book Club, and the Network Community of Care Program hosted a panel discussion of Kate Zernike's book "[Making History: The Exceptions: Nancy Hopkins, MIT, and the Fight for Women in Science](#)".

Panelists included: Kate Zernike, National Correspondent for New York Times; Marcia McNutt, President, National Academy of Sciences; Robert Birgeneau, Chancellor Emeritus, UC Berkeley; **Dr. Nancy Andrews**, Executive VP, Chief Scientific Officer at Boston Children's and Home Secretary, National Academy of Sciences. The panel was moderated by **Dr. Eman Ansari**, Division of Emergency Medicine. You can view the panel discussion [here](#).

Wellness and Family Fun

Did you know? In our monthly calendars, the Office of Faculty Development provides manageable wellness tips for you to consider and adapt to your lifestyle. You are also welcome to email us with a suggestion (or suggestions) on the practices, routines, or habits that have supported your well-being.

Wellness Quick Tip

To add extra stretches to your daily routine, use your kitchen! Place frequently used items on upper shelves so you can rise up on feet, lift your arms, and activate your upper back muscles. Experiment with best shelf height for safety.

Wellness Resources

Faculty Peer Support Group

Hosts: Marisa Brett-Fleegler, MD; Sara Forman, MD; Maxine Milstein, MBA

The BCH faculty peer support group 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, different career stages, and differing 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 no cost. Access anytime, anywhere to over 4,000 on demand video classes focusing 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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