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**EDUCATION** 

Undergraduate University of Washington

Bachelor of Arts – Business Administration

June 1986

Medical School Wake Forest School of Medicine

August 1994 – May 1998

**POSTGRADUATE TRAINING** 

Residency State University of New York at Stony Brook

Health Sciences Center

Department of Emergency Medicine

Stony Brook, NY 11794

Chief Resident

PGY-3 Emergency Medicine Resident

July 2000 – June 2001

PGY-1, PGY-2 Emergency Medicine Resident

July 1998 – June 2000

OTHER TRAINING

Physician Foundation

Karl M. Altenberger Leadership Academy

Scholarship Award

Leadership Training for State Medical Society Leaders

September 2019

#### **AWARDS**

#### Rhode Island Chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians

June 2021

Recognition of Professionalism, Dedication, and Leadership

## The Physician C.A.R.E. Award

### The Miriam Hospital

March 2018, 2019

Recognition of outstanding contribution to the Miriam Hospital in enhancing Patient Experience

### Service Award - Eight Oral Board Exam Sittings American Board of Emergency Medicine

Spring 2017

# Dean's Excellence in Teaching Award The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University

May 2013

Recognition of outstanding service to medical education and achievement in excellence in clinical teaching.

#### PROFESSIONAL LICENSES AND BOARD CERTIFICATIONS

Board Certified Emergency Medicine (ABEM) November 2002

Massachusetts Medical License #21066 July 2001 - Current

Rhode Island Medical License #11712 March 2005 – Current

Fellow

American College of Emergency Physicians 2016

#### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

#### **Clinical Professor**

Department of Emergency Medicine Alpert Medical School of Brown University July 2019 – Present

#### **Clinical Associate Professor**

Department of Emergency Medicine Alpert Medical School of Brown University July 2013 – 2019

#### **Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor**

# Physician Assistant Program Bryant University

October 2015 - 2022

#### **Clinical Assistant Professor**

Department of Emergency Medicine Alpert Medical School of Brown University March 2006 – June 2013

#### **Clinical Instructor**

Department of Emergency Medicine Alpert Medical School of Brown University March 2005 - March 2006

#### **Clinical Assistant Instructor**

SUNY at Stony Brook Department of Emergency Medicine July 1998 – June 2001

#### **HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS**

#### **Miriam Hospital**

#### Attending Physician, Emergency Medicine

75,000 Annual Visit Teaching and Community ED Referral Center for Acute Cardiac and Stroke Care 164 Summit Avenue Providence, RI 02904 March 2005 – Present

#### **Rhode Island Hospital**

#### Attending Physician, Emergency Medicine

105,000 Annual Adult Visit ED 49,000 Annual Pediatric Visit ED Regional Level 1 Trauma Center Tertiary Referral Center 593 Eddy Street Providence, RI 02903 March 2005 – Present

## Rhode Island Hospital Department of Emergency Medicine Division of Sex and Gender in Emergency Medicine Advisory Panel Member

2010 - 2022

Advisor since inception to this fellowship approved division. SGEM's goal is to become a leader in advancing women's health issues in Emergency Medicine by organizing, aligning, and increasing the productivity in research, education and mentorship activities.

## St Luke's Hospital

## **Attending Physician, Emergency Medicine**

80,000 Annual Visit Community ED 101 Page Street New Bedford, MA August 2001 – March 2005

#### **OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

# **Peoples Supply Business Consultant / Owner**

Tacoma WA 1992 – 1994

Conducted Financial and Operational Reviews as well as computer support for Plumbing Supply business while preparing to enter Medical School. Business sold 1996

#### Bankers Trust Company Assistant Vice President – Financial Analysis

New York, NY 1990 – 1992

Responsible for revenue accounting and analysis of a major Pension Management business unit (\$100 billion managed). Specifically, responsible for billing operations, budgets, forecasts, and other financial analysis projects for Domestic and International Fund Management Companies.

#### Lehman Brothers, Inc. Senior Financial Analyst

New York, NY 1989 – 1990

Created financial analysis models for forecasts and budgets and special projects for Short Term Bond Business.

#### **GTE**

#### **Senior Financial Analyst**

1986 - 1989

After completing an 18-month "fast track" Management Development Program in Finance, which included positions in Internal Audit, Financial Forecasting, and Business Development, was promoted to Senior Financial Analyst, responsible for internal business reports (budgets/forecasts), special projects in business modeling and capital acquisitions, as well as IRS and SEC filings for non-regulated telephone technology businesses.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES

#### RI Medicaid Medical Care Advisory Committee RI ACEP Representative

September 2009 – 2019

**Appointed Position** 

Provides advice and recommendations to RI Medicaid regarding proposed policies and procedures.

# RI Stakeholder Advisory Group for ED Utilization RI ACEP Representative

October 2009 – September 2011

Community input advisory group for analyzing and reducing ED utilization for non-emergency care; ultimately resulting in the now implemented Communities of Care Program.

# RI Stakeholder Advisory Group for Pain Management RI ACEP Representative

October 2011 – 2013

Invited by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to participate in a community input advisory group for evaluating initiatives for chronic pain management.

## RI Health Insurance Advisory Council RI Medical Society Representative

February 2021 - Current

HIAC exists to obtain information and present concerns to the Health Insurance Commissioner.

## RI Department of Health Trauma System Advisory Committee RI Medical Society Representative

August 2022 - Current

This committee exists to advise the DOH on Trauma System issues including data collection and development of future Statewide Trauma Registry

#### NATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

**American College of Emergency Physicians Emergency Medicine Resident Association** 

Resident Representative 1996 -1998

# American Board of Emergency Medicine

Oral Board Examiner

May 2010 – 2022

**Appointed Position** 

Responsible for administering individual case exams for the National Oral Board Exam, which is required for all Emergency Medicine candidates to become Board Certified.

#### Best Evidence in Emergency Medicine Project (BEEM) Evaluator

2011 - 2020

Project by McMaster University to provide Emergency Medicine Practitioners with the best clinical evidence to optimize patient care.

## American Board of Emergency Medicine Oral Board Exam Standard Setting Advisory Panel

Appointed May 2017 - 2022

Tasked with setting the standards for the National Emergency Medicine Oral Boards.

American College of Emergency Physicians National Committee for State Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Member 2017 – Present

#### MEDICAL SCHOOL COMMITTEES

Committee Member Alpert Medical School of Brown University Clinical Faculty Advisory Committee January 2015 – Current

Vice Chair Alpert Medical School of Brown University Clinical Faculty Advisory Committee 2018 – 2020

#### Chair

**Alpert Medical School of Brown University Clinical Faculty Advisory Committee** 

2020 - 2022

Represents interests of 1,700+ clinical physicians to the Dean and Medical School, selects Brown Medical School Dean's Teaching Awards, jointly hosts Dean's Town Hall Open Forum and selected meetings with the MFEC

#### **Past Chair**

**Alpert Medical School of Brown University Clinical Faculty Advisory Committee** 

2022 – Current

Member of CFAC Leadership and quarterly representative to Deans Executive Council

Search Committee Member Alpert Medical School of Brown University Search Committee for Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education 2022

#### **DEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEES**

#### **Board Member**

#### University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF) Board of Directors

January 2006 – December 2011

January 2013 – December 2018

January 2019 – December 2021

#### **Member, Finance Committee**

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

November 2005 – December 2021

#### Member, Negotiations Committee

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

November 2005 – December 2021

#### Member, Benefits Committee

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

January 2013 – December 2020

#### Member, Compliance Committee

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

January 2013 – December 2020

#### Chair, Audit Committee

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

December 2016 - 2018

December 2019 – December 2021

#### Chair, Benefits Committee

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

January 2017 – 2018

#### Member, Investments Committee

#### **University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)**

July 2017 – December 2021

#### **Member, Investments Committee**

#### **Brown Physicians Incorporated (BPI)**

July 2017 - December 2021

#### Member, Audit Committee

#### **Brown Physicians Incorporated (BPI)**

July 2017 – December 2021

## **Salary Equity Task Force Member Brown Emergency Medicine**

2018

Selected as part of a small group tasked with determining if gender differences exist in salaries, salary growth, time to promotion, or performance evaluations.

Member, EMpowHER Brown Emergency Medicine 2018 – 2021

Peer

Critically Important Peer Support Program (CIPS) Brown Emergency Medicine 2023 – present

#### PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIETIES

#### **Memberships**

American College of Emergency Physicians 1998-present Rhode Island State ACEP 2005-present Society for Academic Emergency Medicine 2008-2017 Rhode Island Medical Women's Association 2008 - present Rhode Island Medical Society 2009 - present

# **Executive Committee Board Member – Councilor at Large Rhode Island Medical Society**

October 2014 – 2017

Vice President Rhode Island Chapter American College of Emergency Physicians August 2015 – 2017

President Rhode Island Chapter American College of Emergency Physicians August 2017 – 2019

**Treasurer Rhode Island Medical Society**October 2017 – 2019

Treasurer – Secretary Rhode Island Medical Society Foundation October 2107 – 2019

## **President Elect**

#### **Rhode Island Medical Society**

2019 - 2020

#### **President**

## **Rhode Island Medical Society**

October 2020 – September 2021

Presides over all RIMS BOD, Council Meetings and special events, ex-officio member of all RIMS committees.

#### **President**

#### **RIMS Foundation**

October 2021 - 2022

Oversees RIMS charitable funds. Also, ex officio member Physicians Health Program Governance committee, a standing peer review committee under the RIMS Foundation structure.

#### Chair

# Rhode Island Medical Society CEO Search Committee

**June 2021 – December 2021** 

Initiated and led a successful search committee process and contract negotiations for RIMS Chief Executive Officer

#### Chair

# **Rhode Island Medical Society Nominations Committee**

October 2021 - 2022

Recruit and oversee nominations and selection process for Board of Directors members

#### **Past President**

#### **Rhode Island Medical Society**

September 2021 - Current

Member of RIMS Council and special events, ex-officio member of certain permanent and ad hoc committees such as Finance, Nominations, Hospital Capacity, Legislative Priorities, PHP Governance

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

 Ultrasound Assessment of Optic Disc Edema in Patients with Headache Siri Daulaire, Lauren Fine, Margaret Salmon, Catherine Cummings, Otto Leibman, Sachita Shah, Nathan Teismann Case Series, American Journal of Emergency Medicine, October 2012, p1654 e1-4, Vol. 30, No.8

# 2. Ghost Attack: The East Providence Carbon Monoxide Mass Casualty Incident

Catherine Cummings, James Monti, Leo Kobayashi, John Potvin, Kenneth Williams, Francis Sullivan Contribution, Rhode Island Medical Journal February 2018, Vol. 101, No.1

- 3. Cameron Gettel, MD, Catherine Cummings, MD. Chapter 3: So I am getting a CT for small bowel obstruction, do I need oral contrast. In Graham AC, Carlberg DJ, eds. *Gastrointestinal Emergencies Evidence–Based Answers to Key Clinical Questions*. Cham, Switzerland: Springer. 1st Ed. February 2019.
- 4. **Q&A:** Clinical Faculty Advisory Committee (CFAC) at the medical school. Mary Korr, Linda Nici, MD, Catherine Cummings, MD Rhode Island Medical Journal April 2018, p41-42, Vol.101, No. 3

#### **ABSTRACTS**

1. Incidence of Pericardial Effusions by Ultrasound in a Single Subxyphoid View

Presented 2001

New England Regional Society of Academic Emergency Medicine Conference

#### **INVITED SPEAKING**

#### Local

1. Keynote Speaker for P.E.O Annual Meeting

2001 Charitable Organization

2. University Emergency Medicine Foundation (UEMF)

**Faculty Retreat** 

Benefits Review - May 2011

3. Alpert Medical School of Brown University

**Department of Emergency Medicine** 

**Emergency Medicine Resident Graduation Speaker** 

2010 Krithika Muruganandan

2011 Lindsay Macconaghy

2015 Charmiane Lieu

2020 Alisa Anderson

4. Bryant University

Physician's Assistant Program Conference

Smithfield, RI

**Common GI Problems** 

November, 2015

December, 2016

December, 2017 November, 2018 October, 2019 October, 2020 November 2021

# 5. RI Chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians Annual Meeting

Address to Members and Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Dr. McCance-

**June 2017** 

#### 6. RI Chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians

**Educational Meeting** 

Introduction of Speaker: Dr. Napoli

January 2018

## 7. RI Chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians

Member Forum and Legislative Update

Presented members with summary of activities and information on current issues relevant to Emergency Medicine

February 2018

## 8. RI Chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians E911 Summit with State Rep. Lancia and FCC Commissioner O'Reilly Support of e911 Medical Improvements March 2018

## 9. RI Chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians RI State Finance Committee Hearing Testimony opposing Medicaid Copays for Emergency Visits March 2018

# 10. Rhode Island Medical Society Department of Health Public Hearing Testimony for Emergency Medical Services Regulations September 2018

## 11. American College of Emergency Physicians ACEP Leadership Advocacy Conference Roundtable Mentoring Leader for Small State Leadership Advocacy May 2019

# 12. Rhode Island Medical Society State Society Outreach Series Presentation and Roundtable to All Specialty Societies & Affiliates

Approximately 20 presentations updating specialty societies regarding RIMS activities and discussing issues / priorities affecting members **2020-2021** 

#### **International**

 Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital Belize City, Belize Emergency Medicine Faculty and Staff Conference Introduction to Evidence Based Medicine January, 2015

## SCHOLARLY WORK IN OTHER MEDIA

1. East Side Monthly Spring 2011

Aw Shucks: Living Dangerously While Preparing Oysters, by Elizabeth Rau A humorous article describing a personal experience in the Miriam Emergency Department and the care received from our staff and me.

2. Cost Cutting in EDs can be misguided

Catherine A Cummings, Achyut Kamat, Christopher Zabbo Opinion, Providence Business News February 29, 2016 p1, Vol. 30, No. 48

#### **MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

1. WJAR Channel 10 Television News Special Report Inside the ER: A rare look into the Rhode Island Hospital ER May 16, 2013

A News Camera Crew and Reporter documented 16 hours of unlimited access to the Emergency Department and featured many cases from my assigned area in the Critical Care Area.

2. WPRO AM630 Radio Interview

The Cost of Not Taking Your Medicine April 19, 2017

Live radio interview on widespread noncompliance with prescribed medications and the consequences and solutions

3. WPRI Radio Interview

**Improving E911 Medical Dispatch Services in Rhode Island March 19, 2018** 

Interview with Lynn Arditi advocating for improving bystander CPR by improving the e911 dispatch system.

#### 4. ABC Live National Interview

# First in the Nation: Harm Reduction Center Legislation in Rhode Island September 2021 (aired into 4<sup>th</sup> qtr 2021)

Nationally aired interview outlining community stakeholder based strategy to be the first state in nation to pass legislation forming Harm Reduction Centers to combat opiate crisis.

#### UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND MENTORING ROLES

## Department of Emergency Medicine Associate Clinical Professor 2013 – Present

# Assistant Clinical Professor 2005 - 2013

Responsible for Emergency Care, Clinical Teaching and Bedside Instruction at two sites: Rhode Island Hospital Anderson ED (100K/yr visits, Level 1 Trauma Center) and Miriam ED (70k/yr visits) for 48 Emergency Medicine Residents, as well as Trauma Surgery and Ob/Gyn Residents and Medical Students from Brown and Other Medical Schools. Approximately 70% of shifts involve resident or medical student teaching, which equates to 1000 hours per year.

# **Doctoring Course** 2005 - 2015

Participated in this program since its inception in 2005, mentoring one student intensely for four hours per week for 10 weeks to develop their clinical and interpersonal skills.

Two students elected to work with me for 2 years.

2005 – 2007 Christina Rincon (2 years)

2007 – 2008 Ian Gorovoy

2008 – 2009 Zerlina Wong

2009 – 2011 Lesley Gordon (2 years)

2011 – 2012 Ivy Chang

2012 – 2013 Yi Cao

2013 - Noah Donoghue

2014 – David Booy

#### **Resident Mentor**

2006 - 2010	Krithika Muruganandan
2012 - 2016	Elizabeth Samuels
2013 - 2016	Jenna Wheelhouse
2016 - 2017	Inna Baron
2016 - 2018	Jesse Werner
2023 – present	Aquilla Chase

# Career Development and Other Mentoring for Residents and Medical Students in Past Years:

2010 Krithika Muruganandan, MD

2009 Mark Burker, MD

2008 Kristina McAteer, MD

2010 Devin Sokolowski, MD

2009 Tamra Thome, MD

2009 Kathryn Shaw, MD

2011 Lindsay Mcconaghy, MD

2011 Noah Rosenberg, MD

2012 Ron Van Ness-Otunnu

2011 Lisa Sander

2010 Zerlina Wong

2010 Lesley Gordon

2012 Eugene Varghese

2015 Joy Mackey

2016 Sarah Joseph

2017 Angela Jarmon (Fellow)

2018 Heather Rybsack-Smith (Fellow)

2018-2020 Alisa Anderson

#### **Mock Oral Board Examiner**

2006 - 2008

Participated in exams for Emergency Medicine Residents

#### **Emergency Medicine Teaching Conferences:**

Resident Sim Center Facilitator Spontaneous Bacterial Peritonitis

November 2022

#### **Fingernail Procedures**

October 2023

"Getting Involved"

**RI State Advocacy Lecture** 

Joint lecture with Emily Shearer to review state demographics, past legislation and regulation, and opportunities for residents to be involved

August 2022, 2023

Cardiology Lecture SVT Panel Discussion and Case Review

August 2021

Legislative and Regulatory Advocacy Training for Residents and Faculty

Developed didactic sessions that are followed by RI State House Visits with Legislators and Key Leaders to advocate for issues important to Emergency Medicine Resident Physicians.

Brown University and Kent DO Emergency Medicine Programs 2017 - 2019

#### **Gastroenterology Core Lecture**

Review of Common GI Problems and Their Practical Management and Diagnosis 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020,

#### **Hematology / Oncology Emergencies Core Lecture**

Review of Life Threatening Initial Presentations and Complications of Hematology and Oncology Diseases 2013, 2016

#### **Resident Conference – Simulation Center**

Thrombosed Hemorrhoid Excision and Treatment of Common Rectal Complaints 2012

Lecture and hands on teaching experience in Sim Center

#### "Hot Seat" Recurring Clinical Panel Member

4 presentations (2 Hours each) 2010 – 2011

Discussion panel of clinical approaches to controversial topics in Emergency Medicine

#### **CPC Case Conference**

Anterior Spinal Artery Syndrome 2008 Resident - Eric Brantley

#### **Cardiology and EM Department Joint Case Reviews**

STEMI, Coronary Artery Disease and EKG Reviews 2006-2008

Co-Presenter: Thomas Drew, MD (Cardiology)

#### **CPC Case Conference**

Spinal Infarct 2006 Resident Laura McPeake

#### **Other Emergency Medicine Teaching:**

#### State University of New York (SUNY) at Stony Brook

1998 - 2000

Training Labs and Lectures for Suturing, Splinting and Invasive Procedures (Dog Lab) for Medical Students and Residents

# **Hospital Emergency Department Teaching Rounds: Anderson and Miriam Emergency Departments**

2009-Present

Approximately 25 times per year, 10-minute teaching rounds are presented to EM Residents and Students. Topics have included:

- -Pain Control Without Narcotics or NSAIDS
- -Acute Treatment of Gout
- -Management of Cases Outside of An Academic ED
- -Discussion of Tasers and their Complications
- -Contraindications of Tramadol
- -5 Eye Lacerations Requiring Consult
- -Orthopedic Injuries and Treatment (varies)

#### Rhode Island Mission of Mercy: A Dental Care Charity Event

June 2012, 2013

Developed a hands-on learning experience and coordinated the volunteer participation of 10 residents at a 2 day mass charity dental event held at CCRI, where over 750 patients were treated. Residents provided emergency medicine appropriate dental care (anesthesia) in conjunction with dentists and oral surgeons.

#### **Intern Orientation Suture Lab**

June 2013, 2015

Participated in suture training course designed for incoming Emergency Medicine Interns

#### **Intern Orientation Procedure Lab**

June 2014

Participated in procedure training course designed for incoming Emergency Medicine Interns over 2 days

#### **Medical Student ACLS course**

April 2014, 2016

Instructor for ACLS training course designed for rising third year medical students