



Meet the Interns 2013

David Aguirre

David attended Cornell, then completed post-bac work at the State University of New York at Buffalo before finishing up at good old Einstein. Along the way, he spent one year (by choice) on an acute psychiatric unit at New York Presbyterian Hospital in White Plains. This is excellent training for dealing with Parking Lot 1. David worked in Puerto Escondido, Mexico and spent another year in Cali, Colombia as an English teacher and health tutor. For extra credit, he participated in a lice treatment program in Cali, so he sees the call room as no threat. David has had two presentations addressing “Carbapenem-resistant *Klebsiella pneumoniae*.”

Khyzer Aziz

Khyzer is a Gator, having attended the University of Florida at Gainesville for both his undergraduate work and for medical school. He was a founding member and Vice-President of the Muslim Medical Student Association at Gainesville and an active member of the school’s Alpha Epsilon Delta chapter. Khyzer wins our linguist of the year award, as he speaks English, French, Hindi, Punjabi, Spanish, Urdu, and Klingon. Among his hobbies is watching Seinfeld re-runs, especially the “shrinkage” episode, “not that there is anything wrong with that.”

Jacqueline Doamekpor

Jacqueline is another Einstein grad, which she attended after completing her undergraduate work at the University of Pittsburgh. She also earned an MPH from Columbia University, where she worked with the National Center for Children in Poverty on Project LAUNCH NYC, a federally funded initiative that aims to increase school-readiness and the socio-emotional development of children in East Harlem and the South Bronx. While at Einstein she served on the Student Committee on Promotions and Professional Standards. However, she does not watch Seinfeld re-runs.

Rashidah Green

Rashidah was born in Brooklyn, headed slightly east to Brown for her undergrad, then south to Howard Med before returning to NYC. She has been involved in many volunteer activities, including the Charles Drew Morning of Discovery, the Stomp Out Sickle Cell Walk, the Howard campus beautification, Horton's Kids, and We Feed Our People (at Chairman’s Rounds). Rashidah has one publication, “Clonal expansion of immunoglobulin M+CD27+ B cells in HCV-associated mixed cryoglobulinemia.” (Ed. Note: By coincidence, “M+CD27+ B” is Andy Wiznia’s license plate number).

Max Halpern

Max was born in New York City and attended Yeshiva University, followed by SUNY Upstate. In between he studied the role of novel protein Skp2B in the apoptosis pathway using a breast cancer model and also bred, genotyped, tamed, and hung-out with transgenic mice. This work resulted in two publications, including the epic “Skp2B attenuates p53 function by inhibiting prohibitin.” Isn’t “inhibiting prohibitin” an oxymoron(?) Max enjoys tennis, skiing, and traveling (without the inhibited mice).

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Yelena Karbinovskaya

Yelena was born in Moscow, but has traveled to Baltimore (Johns Hopkins undergrad), Newark (UMDNJ Masters in biomedical sciences), and Nawlins (Tulane med), where she traded the Russian vodka for Bourbon Street hurricanes. While in the Crescent City she volunteered with a community wellness program called Fat Tuesdays (only in NOLA) and created “Le Bon Temps,” a reflective writing project which is now included in Tulane’s Foundations in Medicine course. In her spare time, Yelena is writing a chapter for a Nutrition textbook on dietary therapy for refractory epilepsy (starve a cold, feed a seizure?).

Lena Krause

Lena is this year’s long distance champion, as she was born in Berlin and did her undergrad and med school at Charite-Universitätsmedizin there. She then spent the last two years as a general surgical intern and resident at Yale New Haven, before seeing the light and switching to join us in Pediatrics. Lena has one publication, “The paradox of excellent long-term survival and physical fitness after coronary artery bypass surgery despite suboptimal secondary prevention,” in my favorite journal, *Z Herz- Thorax- Gefäßchirurgie*. Lena is our other linguistic star, speaking English, German, French, Dutch, Turkish, and Bronxish.

Yamini Lad

Yamini is a Jersey girl, having attended Rutgers undergrad, UMDNJ New Jersey Med, and the Chris Christie Charm School. When she first moved to the US she lived in rural Louisiana, but did not go to school with Bobby Boucher (the Waterboy) or Vicky Vallencourt (the Devil). For one year Yamini worked in stroke rehabilitation research at the Kessler Foundation Research Center, which is dedicated to improving the lives of people with physical and cognitive disabilities caused by neurologic conditions. As a med student, she helped to create Arts in Medicine-Health Initiative, which aims to improve inpatients’ quality of life.

Ramya Natarajan

Ramya is also from New Jersey. She was her high school valedictorian, then attended UMDNJ New Jersey Med, as a student in the 7-year BS/MD program. Somehow, she also had time to be an Art History minor. Among her many volunteer activities are Student Sight Savers (free eye screenings), Habitat for Humanity in Homestead Florida, Project Pediatrics (similar to our Jacobi Kids), and New Moms (aka New Gravidas on the Block). Ramya is a competitive dancer, enjoying Classical Indian, Modern Indian, Bhangra, Hip-Hop, Fusion, and the funky chicken.

Billy Pak

Billy was born in NYC, but grew up in Valley Cottage, which in the 19th century was known as the Icehouse of New York City. He graduated from SUNY Binghamton, earned an MS in Physiology at Georgetown, then attended Drexel Med. Billy also has an impressive number of volunteer activities, including Give Kids Sight Day, the Eliza Shirley Clinic, and KEEN of Greater D.C., as well as a missionary trip to Onnuree Presbyterian Church, Tabar, Haiti. Most importantly, Billy’s hobby is raising red cherry shrimp (look it up).

Ashley Patterson

Ashley was born in Phoenix Arizona, but went to undergrad and med school at the University of Florida in Gainesville (for you New Yorkers- these are the Gators, not the Seminoles or the Hurricanes). In between she earned an MPH from Johns Hopkins (the Blue Jays). She is yet another intern with a long list of volunteer work, including being a counselor at Health Care Summer Institute (camp), For Hope International (Carrefour, Haiti), the Baltimore Community Practicum, the Equal Access Clinic in Gainesville, and the Red Cherry Shrimp gang.

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Kathleen Perez

If it were not for Lena (see above), Kathleen would be our long-distance intern, growing up in California and attending UC Irvine and UCLA med. Kathleen has had five(!) presentations at meetings, including “Association between milk consumption and cardiovascular risk factors in children” and the classic “Electrolytic lesions of the accessory olfactory bulb (AOB) reduce but do not eliminate olfactory discrimination and sexual incentive motivation in male rats.” Those mice are so frisky. No more jokes, as she is a practitioner of Taekwondo.

Daniel Rene

Daniel grew up in Brooklyn and played power forward and captained the basketball team for Cooper Union (the Pioneers). He attended NY Med, where he founded their wine club- my kind of pioneer (he likes pinots and red zins). In between he was a case worker for Selfhelp in New York. While at Cooper Union, he volunteered for the Chemical Engineering Society, which sounds a lot like Breaking Bad. Quite the athlete, Daniel enjoys cycling, running, and as noted above, bending the elbow.

Camille Rodriguez

Camille was born in Honolulu, but ultimately moved to Brooklyn. After studying journalism at Boston University (maybe a future FIB writer?), she spent two years in Teach for America at PS 140 on the LES, before doing her post-bac work at Bryn Mawr. Somehow she managed to land the gig as an RA for the BU study group in Sydney Australia. Since she sorely missed the Hawaiian climate, she attended University of Rochester medical school. While sunbathing there she choreographed and performed dances for the medical school production of Medicine in Musicals: A Broadway Cabaret (I’m picturing the interns’ skit!).

Jonathan Smith

Jonathan was born in Miami and attended NYU undergrad and post-bac, before going on to Sackler. He spent two years at New York State Psychiatric Institute . . . as a research assistant, studying selectively bred lines of N:NIH rats (and I thought there were no more arranged marriages). He has been active in Physicians for Human Rights and was a volunteer EMT-B with the Central Park medical unit. Jon has one publication, “Cutting the vagus nerve below the diaphragm prevents maternal potentiation of infant rat vocalization” (was the control group cut above the diaphragm?).



Ex-Chairman, Chester (Chet) M. Edelmann, Jr. Passes Away

Chester (Chet) Monroe Edelmann Jr. MD, 82, born in NY on December 26, 1930, died on September, 19, 2013. After a courageous four year battle with cancer, Chester passed away peacefully at home with his family in attendance. Dr. Edelmann was an exceptional father, renowned physician, research scientist, and, most of all, husband. During his 57 year tenure at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine (AECOM,) he held many prestigious positions, including Senior Associate Dean and Most Distinguished University Professor of Pediatrics. In addition, he was the former Director of the International Study for Kidney Disease in Children, a recipient of the "Best Doctors in the United States award" in the discipline of Pediatric Nephrology, the former Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the AECOM, former Director of the Bronx Municipal Hospital Center, member of the International Pediatric Nephrology Association, Honorary member of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Nephrology, and member of the American Society of Nephrology.

Dr. Edelmann was the recipient of innumerable scientific awards, most notably: the National Institutes of Health Research Career Development Award; the E. Mead Johnson award for Research in Pediatrics; the Technical Scientific and Medical Award for research in the field of Medicine from the Association of American Publishers for his textbook, Pediatric Kidney Disease; The Founders Award given by the American Society of Nephrology, and Distinguished Alumni Award from Concordia College, to name just a few. Dr. Edelmann's academic contributions included serving on many academic and educational boards, such as: the New York State Council on Graduate Medical Education; and the Executive Committee of the American Heart Association Council on Kidney and Cardiovascular Disease. He also served on the editorial boards of several major peer-reviewed medical journals including: Kidney International, The Journal of Renal Physiology, The Kidney, and Pediatrics. He served as Chairman of the National Institutes of Health, study section of General Medicine, Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board of the National Kidney Foundation and as President of the American Association of Pediatric Nephrology.

He was also a major contributor for seven named lecture series, 56 original communications in reviewed journals, author and/or editor of 106 books, chapters in books and review articles including the Definitive Textbook on Pediatric Nephrology, and Pediatric Kidney Disease. He authored 43 scientific abstracts and was a member of 25 national and international medical societies.

Dr. Edelmann served as an Attending physician at Albert Einstein College Hospital, Lincoln Hospital, Bronx Municipal Hospital Center (chairman), and Montefiore Medical Center, where he cared for children with kidney disease and trained future Pediatric Nephrologists from around the world. Dr. Edelmann's journey to becoming a world-renowned physician and scientist began at Concordia Preparatory School (the precursor to Concordia College,) he then received his BA from Columbia University in 1951 and received his MD degree from Cornell University. His training continued as an Intern in Pediatrics at NY Hospital and as a resident in Pediatrics at Bronx Municipal Hospital Center, where he was asked to serve as Chief Resident in Pediatrics, an academic honor. He then completed his post-doctoral fellowship at AECOM in Pediatric Nephrology. Dr. Edelmann fulfilled his duty to his country by serving in the United States Navy and in the US Naval Reserve, from 1959-1963 when he was discharged at the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

Dr. Edelmann was a true Renaissance man; a lover of languages and their usage: a concert level pianist; a faithful patron of opera, the theatre and the philharmonic. He created fine furniture, was a loyal Mets fan, and enjoyed simple beauty. He was devoted to his wife and family, his patients, his church, science, his community and his country. He believed in excellence, honesty, integrity and above all, compassion. Dr. Edelmann was a rare man, contemplative, yet effective, who quietly found success in the improved health of his patients, in the happiness of his children and in the achievement of his students and colleagues. Dr. Edelmann touched the lives of countless people in many countries worldwide and will be missed by all, but primarily by his wife and children. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, all donations be sent to the following charities: Concordia College, Greenwich Hospital Oncology Unit, and the Sierra Club.

Recent Departmental Publications

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Abstracts Presented at the Pediatric Academic Societies Meeting Washington, DC, May 2013

Once again the Department had a major presence at the annual academic meetings:

Apfel T, Gershel J, Levanon D: The Hidden Epidemic of Non Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD).

Beiner J, Toberman S, Rivlin K, Gershel JC: A Ten-Year Perspective of Admission Diagnoses at a General Teaching Hospital: Implications for Resident Education.

Blumberg S, PECARN, et al: Oral Contrast in the Evaluation of Intra-Abdominal Injury in Children with Blunt Torso Trauma.

Chen S, Taylor T, Gershel JC, Rivlin K: The NCAA Policy for Sickle Cell Trait (SCT) Screening: A Flawed Policy in Need of a Health Impact Assessment (HIA).

Garcia C, Cunningham S: Mechanism as a Predictor of Serious Injury in Pediatric Blunt Trauma.

Groisman-Perelstein A, Diamantis P, Isasi C, et al: Role of Screening for Behavioral Problems, Eating Disorders and Depression in Family Weight Management.

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Katz-Sidlow RJ, Lindenbaum Y, Sidlow R: Residents' Attitudes toward a "Smartphone Code of Conduct" for Inpatient Attending Rounds

McCann T, Edelman E, Oliver D, Gershel JC, Rivlin K: Learning Patient Family Centered Care: The Patient/Family Advisor as a Resource for Immediate Resident Feedback.

McCann T, Miller S, Gershel JC, Rivlin K: Resident Implementation of an Always Event (AE): A Tool for Experiential Learning of Patient Family Centered Care (PFCC).

Normatov I, Gershel J, Levanon D: A Ten-Year Follow-Up of Obesity Care in a Primary Care Clinic.

Normatov I, Gershel J, Levanon D: Nutritional Disorders Among Bangladeshi-American Children: From Failure to Thrive to Obesity within One Decade of Life.

Wojewoda E, Chou K: Identifying Factors Associated with Dispensing Dosage Delivery Devices
Note: Eva's abstract won the APA Fellow Research Award.

In addition, Ellen Crain gave the annual Armstrong Lecture, speaking about "Pediatrics and the Lure of Technology." George Armstrong established the first dispensary for children in London in 1769, and is honored as one of the fathers of modern pediatrics. Those who deliver this lecture are also honored as outstanding teachers and contributors to our knowledge of the care of children.

Nursing News

Susan LaMonica reports, “It is with great pleasure that I announce new nursing leadership to the recently reorganized team for the Pediatric service effective July 15, 2013”:

Erika Surinach: Assistant Director of Nursing for the NICU. Erika comes to us from New York Hospital of Queens where she has worked since 2006 as the manager of the night shift in the NICU. She has also worked in Pediatrics, Labor & Delivery, Medical-Surgical, and Rehab nursing. She received her Master’s degree from Long Island University and is NRP certified.

Arlene Rios: Assistant Director of Nursing for the Pediatric Outpatient. Arlene comes to Jacobi with a 20+ years nursing career ranging from high risk Obstetrics and Pediatrics, to IV drug management, home care and community outreach. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from University of Phoenix and intends to continue for her masters this fall.

Patricia Strauss: Administrative SON Pediatrics (6D/6B). Pat has been with Jacobi since 1981 in various positions involving Pediatrics and most recently as SON/educator. Pat is a certified BLS and ACLS instructor and a TNCC provider. Pat received her Master’s degree from Lehman College and brings a great deal of knowledge, education and experience to the service.

Nicole Brown: Head Nurse Pediatric Outpatient. Nicole has been a school nurse for the last year as well as a manager for the NY Blood Center, where she was selected manager of the year in both 2003 and 2005. She has done much work with sickle cell disease and was awarded the distinguished Community Service Award.

Eleanor Simms: Head Nurse Night Shift in NICU. Eleanor has been promoted to the position of Head Nurse in the NICU after being a staff nurse in NICU since 1998. Eleanor is a certified NICU nurse and is NRP certified. She has received her Bachelor of Science degree from Lehman College. She is also a research nurse part time for asthma/allergy clinic.

Toni Knight: Head Nurse Night Shift in Pediatric ED. Toni was actually promoted to Head Nurse of Pediatric ED in April 2013 after being an ED staff nurse since 2007. Toni received her Bachelor of Science degree from Saint Xavier University in Chicago. She has shown great leadership potential in her short time at Jacobi and we expect great things from Toni.

Earlier in the Spring, the following changes also occurred:

Gorda Peters-Joseph has been promoted to the title of Assistant Director of Nursing – General Pediatrics/Pediatric ED. Gorda has been with Jacobi Medical Center since 1984, starting as a Nurse intern and working herself through various positions, including LPN, RN, Assistant Head Nurse, Head Nurse, and most recently as Supervisor of Nursing for 6D and 6B. Gorda received her Associates degree from Bronx Community College, her Bachelor degree from Pace University and her Masters in Nursing/Pediatric Nurse Practitioner degree from Lehman College. Gorda will bring her many years of experience to a new level in the pediatric service.

Susan Garamone has been promoted to the title of Assistant Director of Allied Health Professionals/Education. Since 2007, Susan has been the Pediatric NP in the division of Pediatric Gastroenterology at Jacobi. Susan has a vast background in pediatric care, which includes education, research and primary care. Susan has been a Registered Nurse since 1979, she received her Bachelor of Science degree from NYU, her Master of Science degree from Columbia University and a Post Master’s Certificate in Children with Special needs from NYU. Susan has given several presentations on Pediatric Nursing and the care of special needs children.

In addition, welcome to new NPs, Katelyn Nelson (GI), Kimberly Virtue (ED), Janet Chenny-Nshanji (OPD), Desiree Lindsay (hematology and OPD), and Daphna Rosen (OPD).

Please join Susan LaMonica in welcoming all of these Nurse Leaders to the Pediatric Nursing team.

Where Are the 2013 Graduates?

Joshua Beiner: Pediatric Emergency Medicine fellowship, NYU

Miley Cyrus: Twerking Fellowship, Video Music Awards

Stephanie Desgrottes: General Pediatrics, Tribeca Pediatrics

Robyn Epstein: Allergy/Immunology fellowship, Montefiore

Kerry Godfrey: General Pediatrics, Bronx (Kerry is staying with us as an attending in the Jacobi OPD)

J. Lena Kim: Neonatology fellowship, Westchester County Medical Center

Shifra Koyfman: Pediatric Gastroenterology fellowship, Massachusetts General Hospital

Yocheved Lindenbaum: Hospitalist, Westchester County Medical Center

Shin-Hua Liu: General Pediatrics, New York City

Natasha Nayak: Chief resident, Jacobi Giants of Pelham Parkway

Neera Prakash: Neonatology fellowship, SUNY Stony Brook

Mahati Reddy: ED at both Jacobi and NCB

Alex Rodriguez: Chemistry consultant, Walter White Academy

Adam Sterman: Hematology/Oncology fellowship, Montefiore

Sari Toberman: Chief resident and personal assistant to Natasha Nayak, schedule maker, coffee connoisseur, and candy supplier at Jacobi. Then, in 2014, Pediatric Gastroenterology fellowship at Cornell.

Dionisio Trejo: General Pediatrics, Port Chester, NY

Rachel Aronow (2012-13 chief): Pediatric practice, WestMed

Judith Horwitz (2012-13 chief): Pediatric practice, Chicago

Comings and Goings

Goodbye to Teresa McCann, who returned to the Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital of New York Presbyterian as a hospitalist. Teresa is an Einstein grad and one of our 1999 subinterns, who joined our department after her residency and chief residency at Columbia. Goodbye as well to Elizabeth Hobson, ambulatory care attending. Best wishes to Teresa and Elizabeth—we will miss your passion for patient care and teaching. Welcome back to Jacobi pediatrics graduates Ambreen Syed (2010 grad) as a hospitalist, and Juan Remon (2008 grad) as a neonatologist. We also decided to keep 2013 grads Kerry Godfrey around in the OPD, and Mahati Reddy in the ED. Farewell and best wishes also to our long-time school teacher Erica Epstein, and welcome to Robert Reggione.

Kudos to Carla Pratt

Our own Carla Pratt, Director of Child Life, will be one of the honorees at the network's annual Holiday gala. Carla's proudest accomplishment at Jacobi is co-developing with others, the Child Life Enhancement Program, lovingly referred to as "Jacobi Kids." It offers young patients additional healing play on evenings and weekends, facilitated by well over 100 medical students from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, whom Carla trains and supervises. Co-founders include Dr. Rachel Katz, Director of Medical Student Education, Lewis M. Fraad Department of Pediatrics, who serves as faculty advisor for Jacobi Kids Program. In addition, Susan D. LaMonica, RN, BSN, MSN, MBA, Associate Executive Director, Oncology Network and Nursing Director for Children's Health Services; Dr. Jeffrey Gershel, Vice Chairman for the JMC Department of Pediatrics; and key pediatric residents were instrumental in helping develop the program. PGY-3 Jenna Hughes (Einstein 2011) is currently serving as the Resident Coordinator of the Jacobi Kids program. Also, under the guidance of Michelle Pong (Einstein' 15), the second-year students' skit raised more than \$200 for the Jacobi Kids program. Thank you Michelle!

New York Yankees Pop Quiz

Which of the following played shortstop for the 2013 Bronx Un-Bombers?

David Adams, Reid Brignac, Robinson Canó, Luis Cruz, Alberto González, Derek Jeter, Jayson Nix, Eduardo Núñez, Brendan Ryan.

Answer: All of them



Awards Season

Rachel Katz

Rachel Katz received two(!) prestigious awards in recent months. She was the recipient of the Harry H. Gordon Award for Outstanding Clinical Teaching in May at the Einstein Commencement, as well as the recipient of the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award. For those of you keeping score at home, Rachel has now received six major awards: the two new ones, Samuel M. Rosen Award for Outstanding Teaching in the Clinical Curriculum, the Gold Honor Society faculty inductee, AOA, and the Emmy for Best Supporting Actress in Breaking Bad.

Kathy Porder

Congratulations to Kathy Porder, who was a recipient of the 2013 HHC Doctors' Day Award. As noted on the HHC website, "Each year on National Doctors' Day we take the opportunity to honor a few of these [outstanding] men and women. HHC is recognizing 28 of these doctors, professionals who differ in age, experience, and practice setting but who share a common bond of uncommon commitment."

2013 Year-End Graduation and Awards Ceremony

Henry Barnett Housestaff Teaching Award: Elizabeth Hobson

Most Valuable Intern: Rushita Mehta

Good Egg Awards (all-around service to the department): Sharon Ilo and Jimmy Meltzer

Worst Election Campaign: Christine Quinn

Housestaff Teaching Awards (voted by the medical students):

PGY-1: Adin Nelson, Carly Alexander, Michael Harris, Joseph Point du Jour

PGY-2: Adam Handler, Marianne Castillo

PGY-3: Joshua Beiner, Kerry Godfrey, Sari Toberman

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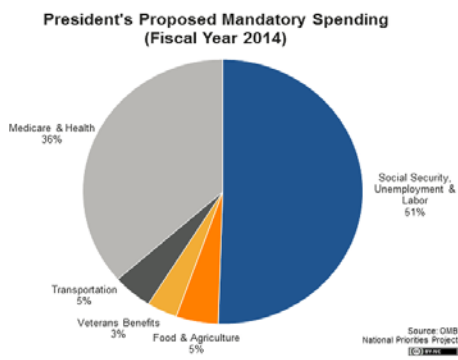
Congratulations to future (2014-15) chief resident Tamar Baer, who has been accepted into the 2013 Program for Postgraduate Trainees: Future Academic Clinician Educators. This program is sponsored by Partners HealthCare International and its goals are to enhance physicians' skills in teaching, learning, and scholarship in medical education. Congratulations also to Tamar's mentor, Ken Rivlin.

Wedding Belles

Elizabeth Thottukadavil married Jason Alexander, July 2013

Dionisio Trejo married Izona Bock in March and are now the 2013 Bock-Trejo family.

Not to be outdone, 2012 graduates Leo Panagiotakopoulos and Lakshmi Sukumaran were married in September 2013, for the second time (as they also had a ceremony in Greece and Court). They are not planning on using Sukumaran-Panagiotakopoulos as the family name.



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