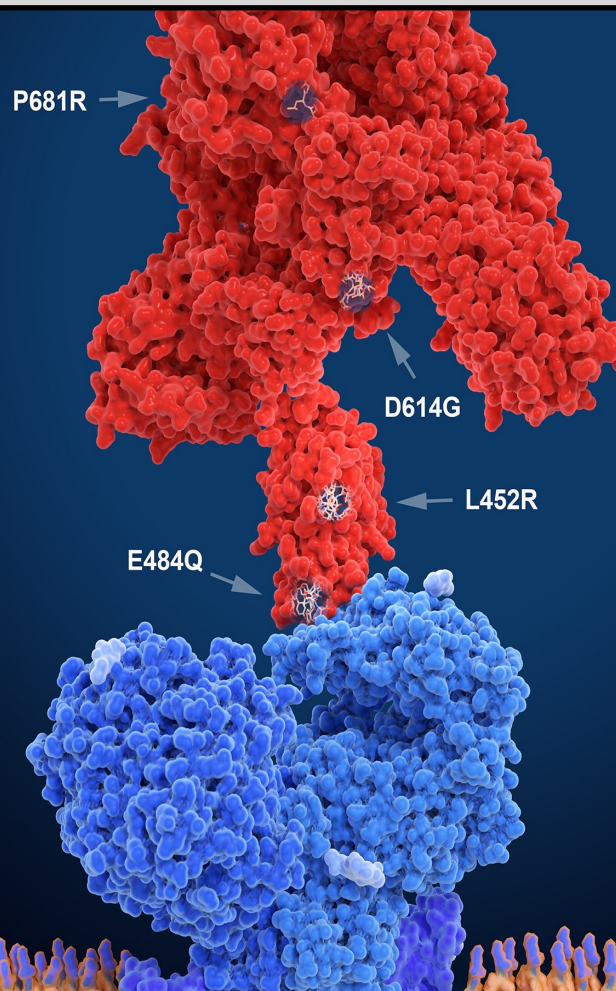


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Greetings,

As the delta variant spreads, Michigan continues to see a rising number of “breakthrough” cases, with a quarter of the most recent new infections hitting those who were fully vaccinated.

There are nearly 2,500 breakthrough cases were reported in Michigan for the week ending Aug. 17, up from 1,900 the week before.

The number of infections among the fully vaccinated has doubled in the past four weeks, mirroring the jump in overall new cases spurred by the more virulent delta variant of the coronavirus.

But public health and hospital officials say those infections do not mean the vaccines are not working. They note that the infection rate remains far lower among people who are already fully vaccinated and that very few of these people end up in the hospital or dying.

Even so, the recent rise in breakthrough cases has flummoxed some who have gotten vaccinated. There are early indications that vaccines' efficacy **has waned** as the more virulent delta variant gains a toehold. Researchers are still trying to determine how much can be attributed to delta, versus a reduction in long-term effectiveness of individual vaccines. That uncertainty is part of the reason for the greater urgency to provide booster shots.

I humbly request all medical staff to encourage your patients and families to get the vaccine immediately and to maintain all the precautions, including mask wearing, to fight this pandemic with COVID-19, moreover with the delta variant.

Until next time, stay safe and healthy!

Sincerely,
Sunilkumar Rao, DO, MHA, FACC, FACP



**Medical Society Foundation
September 21, 2021 6:00 p.m.**

**Board of Directors
September 28, 2021 6:00 p.m.**

Via Zoom

**Practice Managers
October 14, 2021 8:00 a.m.**

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I have spent the last 36 years working in the operating room as a cardiovascular perfusionist at McLaren Flint. In 2015 the decision was made to branch out and learn QuickBooks Online accounting software, achieving the level of QuickBooks Online Certified Pro Adviser. In 2019 I initiated an LLC and began obtaining accounts to manage. In September 2019 GCMS hired me to manage the finance and bookkeeping.

It is hard to believe I have just completed my first year as Executive Director of the Genesee County Medical Society. What began as a hobby job in finance guided me into the Executive Director position.

It has been an extremely challenging but rewarding year as Executive Director. I have met so many members and staff eager to help me succeed. The GCMS President, Dr Sunil Rao has been very supportive and a tremendous resource, and a pleasure to work with.

I am very fortunate and blessed to have been offered the Executive Director position of GCMS. My first year is now behind me. It is my hope that through the combined efforts of the board members and myself, the GCMS is in an improved position within the community and stronger within itself.

It is an honor and privilege to serve as the Executive Director for the Genesee County Medical Society. My relationships in medicine over the past 36 years have been a tremendous benefit in this position. Thank you GCMS for providing me a wonderful opportunity.



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LUNG SCREENING

Important Updates to Lung Cancer Screening Recommendation & Coverage

On March 9, 2021, the USPSTF (U.S. Preventive Services Task Force) updated its recommendation on lung cancer screening:

- USPSTF lowers age to 50 and smoking pack years to 20.
- Private insurance and Medicaid expansion plans must reflect this change in plan years that begin one year after the new recommendation was published.
- Check with insurer to verify coverage for your patient before ordering CTLS, as some patients may not be covered until 2022.

New Lung Cancer Screening Eligibility



2021 USPSTF Recommendation for Annual CTLS
(The expanded population may not be covered until 2022 depending on their insurer)

50 - 80 years old	Currently smoking or quit smoking in the last 15 years	Have a smoking history of at least 20 pack years
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Private Insurance Coverage for Annual CTLS Based on 2013 USPSTF Recommendation

55 - 80 years old <small>(Covered by most commercial insurance providers)</small>	Currently smoking or quit smoking in the last 15 years	Have a smoking history of at least 30 pack years
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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Coverage Eligibility Criteria
(To be documented in a written order for lung cancer screening)

55 - 77 years old <small>NOTE: Age requirement differs from USPSTF recommendation</small>	Currently smoking or quit smoking in the last 15 years	Smoked 30 pack years or more	Asymptomatic for Lung Cancer
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Pack Year = # of Years Smoked x # of Packs Per Day

Example: 10 years smoking x 2 packs/day = 20 pack years	Example: 20 years smoking x ½ pack/day = 10 pack years
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Call 810.262.9309 to Schedule a Lung Screening for Your Patients.

Source: American Cancer Society, Cancer Facts and Figures 2021

Lung Cancer is the leading cause of ALL CANCER DEATHS nationally.

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- Early diagnoses can be achieved up to **85% of the time** in screen-detected lung cancers.
- Among those early-stage cancers, the cure rate approaches **80%**.
- Only **17% of lung cancer cases** are found at localized stage. The five-year survival rate for lung cancer patients diagnosed with localized disease is more than **59%**. Imagine the possibilities if more patients were diagnosed at this stage.
- New Lung Cancer screening permanent CPT Code is **71271** (replaced G0297).



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<p>0-17 YEARS OLD:</p> <p>Evaluation and non-pharmacologic, evidence-based intervention (e.g., cognitive-behavioral therapy, behavioral therapy, skills training) for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adaptation to new onset chronic illness • Adherence to treatment regimens • Chronic or recurrent pain • Conversion disorder • Failure to thrive, obesity, feeding disorders • Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder • Maladjustment, depression, anxiety secondary to chronic illness • Maladjustment, depression, anxiety exacerbating chronic illness • Physical problems or complaints without a clear medical explanation • Sleep disorders • Social /emotional problems affecting a medical condition or recovery • Somatic symptoms and complaints • Elimination disorders (enuresis, encopresis) 	<p>Pediatric Psychology at Advanced Neuropsychology and Pediatric Psychology Services</p> <p>Rebecca Ellens, PsyD Natalie El-Alam, PsyD 1125 S. Linden RD, Suite 200 Flint, MI 48532 Phone: 810-262-2320 Fax: 810-239-1281</p>





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September 8, 2021

Governor Whitmer Applauds School Districts and Local Health Departments Implementing Smart Mask Policies

More than 60% of Michigan students covered by a mask requirement, ensuring safe, in-person learning

LANSING, Mich.—Governor Gretchen Whitmer issued the following statement after more Michigan public school districts, including Mount Pleasant Public Schools just recently, and local health departments continue to implement smart mask policies, bringing the total number of school districts in Michigan opting for face coverings to 229, protecting more than 757,904 students, or 60.5% of students in Michigan.

“After 19 months of COVID, the science is clear: vaccines and masks keep kids safe and help them continue learning in person.

“On vaccines, the message is simple: every eligible Michigander 12 and older should get their safe, effective, and FDA-approved, vaccine to protect themselves, their loved ones, and their community.

“On masks, both the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and the CDC have provided strong guidance to encourage school districts and local health departments to make the choice to put in place smart mask policies for students, teachers, and staff in schools regardless of vaccination status because it will allow everyone to stay safe while continuing to learn and grow in-person. I agree with our top health experts.

“As of today, 229 districts totaling over 60.5% of Michigan students, are covered by smart mask policies implemented by their school district or local county health department. That number continues to increase, and we expect to see that trend continue.

“In other states, school and local authorities have been pressured, threatened, or outright banned from taking action to protect their students, teachers, and staff. Instead, in Michigan, we are working closely with local health departments and supporting school districts to make sure schools are prepared to protect students this academic year. With 60.5% of our students and counting protected by smart mask policies, Michigan’s local leaders are taking COVID seriously and their actions are helping to control the spread of the virus while allowing kids to continue learning in class.

“Districts and local public health leaders should keep working together to implement mask guidelines and create buy-in at the community level, which leads to better outcomes and better adherence to policies that keep kids, teachers, staff, and parents safe.

“Together, we can protect ourselves from COVID and ensure kids keep learning in-person.”



Keep Genesee County Safe!

- 1. Require Masks in your Practice**
- 2. Practice Social Distancing in your Office**
- 3. Educate your Patients on Vaccinations**



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4. GCMS convenes monthly meetings with Practice Managers in an effort to head off problems for physician practices and to find solutions to those that are identified.
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6. GCMS is disproportionality influential on behalf of its member physicians and their patients.
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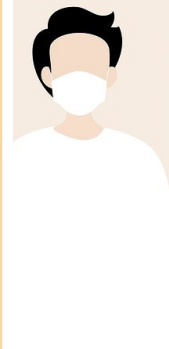
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Israel, the Biblical Holy Land

They say, “Everything happens for a reason” and how true! After having read about Israel during my school days and taught about the Bible and Gospel in the missionary schools attended, I always had a fascination for the Holy Land. Had to wait for more than half a century to visit one of the most important destinations on my travels. Better now since Jawahar is with me to share the experience and so are my thirteen other friends who will keep me great company for the fortnight.

We arrived this evening in Tel Aviv. It has been one of the top places to see on my bucket list. As one of the nations in the confluence of religions where Christians, Jews and Muslims live, it is also the most strategic area in the political arena. Situated on the Mediterranean coast, Tel Aviv is a relatively young town. It is the second largest city in the country and boasts as one of the largest per capita economies in the region. After a long flight here, we spent the evening just walking along the streets near the hotel, taking in all the activity of the weekend in the bustling city.



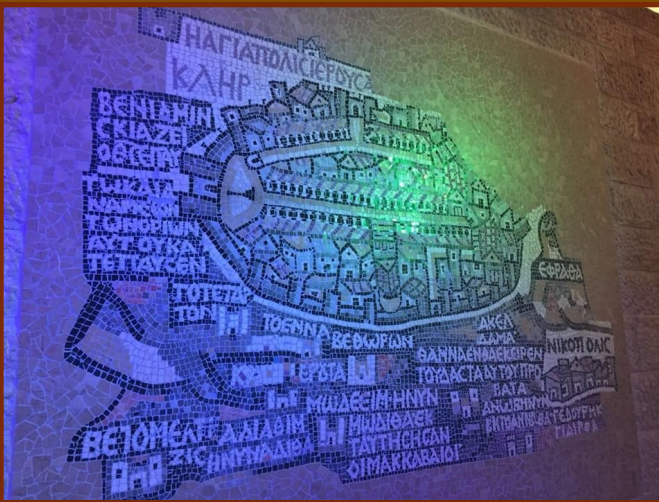
Like in all metropolitan cities, the vendors in the market streets were busy selling all kinds of food and clothing items as well as toys and souvenirs. Shoppers were busy haggling with them to get the best for their hard earned shekels. The others were entertained by singers at major intersections. Too tired, we hit the sack pretty early to get ready for the next day's sight seeing.

Next on our itinerary was Jerusalem. Our first day helped cover many interesting sights. As one of the oldest cities in the world, the city is claimed as capital by both Israel and Palestine. It is situated between the Mediterranean and Dead Seas. Over the years, the city was attacked and captured several times. Walls were built and re-built around the old city which is an important UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is divided into four quarters, the Christian, Jewish, Armenian and Muslim quarters.

Inside David's tomb



The room where the last supper was had



The mosaic map of Jerusalem

First on the itinerary was the Garden Tomb where Jesus was believed to have been buried. From there, we proceeded to the old city of Jerusalem. We walked through the gates and the streets where Jesus had passed carrying the crucifix. The Temple Mount, the Western Wall, Dome of the Rock and the Church of the Sepulcher are the most important sites here.

Although an entire day was spent sightseeing, there is so much more to see in this historical city which has been a constant place of conflict. I would strongly encourage all to visit the Holy Land if your time and wallet permit you to. However, there is so much walking and climbing stairs to do that it is not for those with weak knees since we logged in more than three miles and climbed over thirty floors.

The following day's visits will stand out in my memory forever. First stop was at the Museum of the Dead Sea Scrolls where copies of the scrolls and other related archaeological finds are on display. Next was Yad Vashem, located on Mount Herzl. It is also known as the Mount of Remembrance and is a memorial dedicated to the Jews who have fought the Nazis and suffered genocide. Spread over forty acres, the Children's Memorial, Holocaust History Museum, Remembrance Hall and Museum of Holocaust Art are the important structures. The Museum, shaped as a triangular prism, stands tall in the landscape. It is visited by over one million people annually.



The Holocaust Remembrance Museum

A model of victims of the Holocaust



The structure showing the darkness against light recited opposite this one

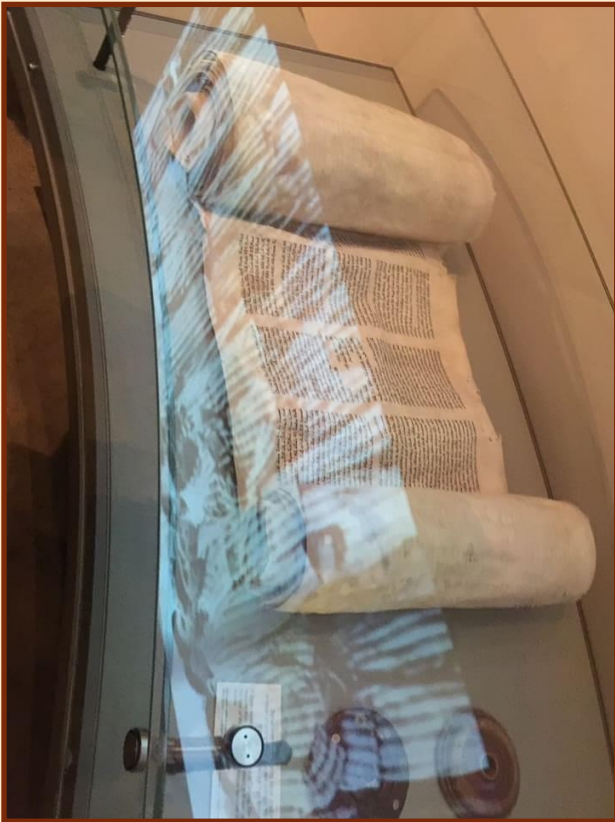
The extraordinary inner floor plan of the Hall of Remembrance



Light of Optimism

There are over two thousand exhibits of pictures, memorabilia and videos narrating the atrocities faced by the victims of the anti-Semitism. Although I was very eager to see the place, it left an indelible mark on my mind. I can never forget the heavy heart with which I left the memorial. It is a must see for all visitors to Israel.

The facsimile of the Dead



The Museum of the Dead Sea Scrolls



Jerusalem

Our next important visit was to the famous Masada. The UNESCO World Heritage Site is situated on a plateau in the Judaean Desert, overlooking the Dead Sea. A cable car ride takes us to the historical site. Once a battle ground for the Romans and the Jews, the three rock terraces are now in ruins. Notable among them are King Herod's palace and other quarters. The on site Masada Museum displays archeological finds of the ancient times. It was a surreal feeling to walk along the ruins and reminiscing about the Masada movie starring, Peter O'Toole.



The cistern where the water was kept



The toilet



The bathroom



The Dead Sea viewed from atop

We, then, proceeded on to the famous Dead Sea. Due to the very high salt content in the water, it is easy to float on the surface. The mineral mud found in the beach is known for its cosmetic and therapeutic benefits. It is a major attraction where people from all over come to cover their body with the mud and float on the sea. Many of us experienced the feel. There was something in the water that kept our skin soft and glowing. I wonder if it was our imagination or it was really true!!!



Lakshmi Tummala



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In your Trust, "Grantor directs Trustee to distribute ___% of all assets then held in Trust or later added to this Trust to the Medical Society Foundation, to be held in an endowed fund and used in the discretion of its then existing board of directors in furtherance of the purposes of the Foundation."

In your Will, "I give, devise and bequeath ___% of my Estate to the Medical Society Foundation, to be held in an endowed fund and used in the discretion of its then existing Board of Directors in furtherance of the purposes of the Foundation."

While this is not a subject that is comfortable to broach, it is an opportunity to support the Foundation which supports the Medical Society's charitable activities on behalf of the membership. Please give. You can give via a trust or will. You can give from your IRA. You can give appreciated stock, and you can give cash. Please support the organization which does so much on behalf of the medical community and the patients we serve.



Don't Forget!
Donations are tax deductible!

Please contact GCMS at 733-9923 or email executivedirector@gcms.org



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Genesee County Medical Society Bulletin

(ONLINE MAGAZINE)

Your ad will be featured in the Genesee County Medical Society monthly bulletin that is provided to 1,500+ viewers. The Bulletin can also be found on the GCMS website, and is also published through Calameo virtual magazine. ([HTTPS://En.Calameo.com/](https://en.calameo.com/))

1/4-page ad \$100/month

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Fall 4 Fitness Challenge



1,000 Minutes in One Month! OCTOBER 1-31, 2021

CHALLENGE GOAL:

A one-month physical activity challenge that encourages employees to represent their organizations by being physically active. It is open to all area businesses, organizations, and community groups interested in bringing wellness to the workplace and competing with other organizations.

CHALLENGE PRIZES:

ORGANIZATIONS with the highest levels of participation and average minutes of physical activity will receive:

- Trophies and Bragging Rights
- Additional Raffle Chances for Cash Prizes

INDIVIDUALS who reach the challenge goal of 1,000 minutes of physical activity during October will be eligible for prizes including:

- Cash Prizes
- Wearable Fitness Devices
- Gift Certificates

Registration your team today at www.surveymonkey.com/r/Fall4Fitness2021



GET STARTED:

Participating in the Fall 4 Fitness Challenge is as easy as 1-2-3.

- 1 Log on to **commit2fit.com**.
- 2 **Earn points for being active!** Begin tracking your activity – just 35 minutes each day – and you are automatically entered into the challenge. Remember: All activity counts!
- 3 Participate in **free fitness classes, work together daily** with your team members, and **track all your physical activity** to be eligible to win both organizational and individual incentives.

Visit www.commit2fit.com





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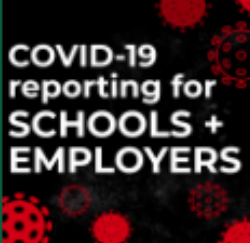
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For Reporting



COVID-19 reporting for SCHOOLS + EMPLOYERS

EMPLOYERS + SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS:

Do you need to report a laboratory-confirmed positive COVID-19 case?

Click the button to email the Communicable Disease team at GCHD-CD@gchd.us or call (810) 257-1017

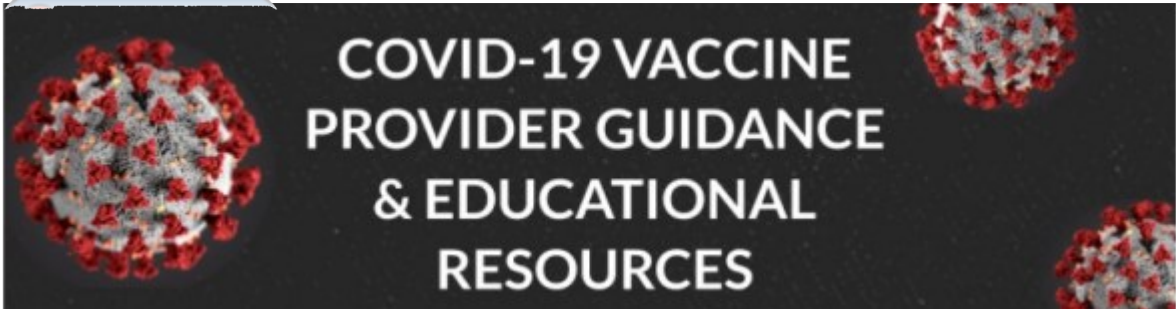
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For State of Michigan Covid-19 Information





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COVID-19 VACCINE

The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrates how diseases without vaccines can devastate economic and public health. Vaccines have reduced and, in some cases, eliminated many diseases. In the U.S., there is currently no approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19. MDHHS is working with the CDC and Michigan stakeholders to prepare and plan for when the vaccine is available. The initial draft of our state's plan is now available and will be updated often in the coming months. Visit regularly for the most recent information on the COVID-19 vaccine and Michigan's preparations.

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Medical Society Foundation

Consider a donation to the Medical Society Foundation for all of your holiday sentiments while supporting important health related causes.

The Medical Society Foundation has been coordinating physician giving in Genesee County since 1987. This holiday season, why not use the Foundation to make sure your gifts to family, friends and colleagues help to improve the health and well-being of our community.

By giving to the Medical Society Foundation, you receive a great year-end tax benefit at the same time you tell others how much their health- really means to you.

The Medical Society Foundation funds have been used to support the charitable activities of the Genesee County Medical Society.

Contributions can also be made in memory of an individual or to honor someone.

For questions or information on how your gift can help support the charitable activities of your Medical Society Foundation contact **GCMS at 733-9923** or email executivedirector@gcms.org

Medical Society Foundation Mission Statement: The Medical Society Foundation is organized and does operate for the purpose of supporting continuing medical education and health-related charitable activities that further the cause of medicine.

Mail your donations to:

Medical Society Foundation
4438 Oak Bridge Drive, Suite B
Flint, MI 48532-5400

Symposium: Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare -Dr. Zia Uddin

Friday, October 8, 2021, Troy Marriott, Troy, MI.

Please note that there is **no registration fee** for this virtual meeting via Zoom.

It is with great pleasure we inform you that we have accomplished several healthcare projects and these are offered gratis to hospitals, medical schools, etc.

Symposium Agenda:

- Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare
- Artificial Intelligence Applications in Radiology
- Artificial Intelligence as an Emerging Technology in the Current Care of Neurological Disorders
- Artificial Intelligence System for Breast Cancer Screening
- Validating Artificial Intelligence for Pathology Practice
- Artificial and Real Intelligence in Healthcare
- emPOWERing Data and Artificial Intelligence Tools to Protect Community-Based at Risk Populations
- Innovating the Safety Net: Implementation of a Large-Scale Teleretinal Diabetic Retinopathy Screening Program in Los Angeles County
- Critical Illness Monitoring and Treatment Enhanced by Artificial Intelligence and Predictive Analytics
- 3D Imaging Technology for Breast Cancer Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment
- Artificial Intelligence in Breast Cancer Diagnosis
- Ethical and Legal challenges of Artificial Intelligence
- Artificial Intelligence Algorithm-Diagnosis of Sleep Disorders
- Arterys Cardio DL: Software Analyzing Cardiovascular Images from Magnetic Resonance Scanners

Moderators: Gregory Auner, PhD and Kenneth Tucker, MD

Please e-mail zia.uddin@telemededu.org the following information to process your registration for the Symposium:

- Name and Address of institution
- Name of Medical Director of the Residency Program
- Name, Phone Number and Email Address of Contact Person at the Institution

***Once the registration information as been received, you will receive a Zoom link for the Symposium**

GHS Intensive Crisis Stabilization Services for Children and Young Adults



The GHS Children's Intensive Crisis Stabilization Team (ICSS) provides mobile crisis stabilization services, 7 days a week between 8:00am and 7:00pm to all children, youth, and young adults (ages 0-21) who reside in Genesee County. Calls during other hours are helped by our Crisis Line mental health professionals.

Reasons to call GHS:

- If you feel your child/youth is in a crisis
- The child/youth may hurt themselves or others
- The child is experiencing overwhelming confusion, anger, or emotional unresponsiveness

If you aren't sure if ICSS is needed, give us a call and we can help to explore options.

What happens when the GHS Intensive Crisis Team is called?

The team will provide an on-site intervention with the identified child or youth, and their support system. The team's main focus will be to help assess the crisis, utilize de-escalation techniques, help the child/youth and their family or support system to help with what is needed and to help determine next steps and long-term care.

Other services include:

- Crisis and Safety Planning
- Referrals to needed services
- Education on resources, diagnosis and services
- Collaboration and problem solving

* Psychiatric consults, as needed (does not include medication review for prescription)

** Intensive Crisis Stabilization services cannot be provided to individuals who are currently residing in inpatient settings: Jail/detention centers or residential settings (i.e. child caring institutions, crisis residential, etc.).

GHS Intensive Crisis Stabilization Services for Children

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State and County Medical Society MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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- I am in my first year of practice post-residency.
- I am in my second year of practice post-residency.
- I am in my third year of practice post-residency.
- I have moved into Michigan; this is my first year practicing in the state.
- I work 20 hours or less per week.
- I am currently in active military duty.
- I am in full, active practice.
- I am a resident/fellow.

Male Female

First (legal) Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Last Name: _____ MD DO

Nickname or Preferred Form of Legal Name: _____ Maiden Name (if applicable) _____

Job Title: _____

W Phone _____ W Fax _____ H Phone _____ H Fax _____

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Office Address Preferred Mail Preferred Bill Preferred Mail and Bill

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*Please base my county medical society membership on the county of my (if addresses are in different counties): Office Address Home Address

*Birth Date: ____/____/____ Birth Country _____ MI Medical License #: _____ ME #: _____

Medical School _____ Graduation Year: _____ ECFMG # (if applicable) _____

Residency Program _____ Program Completion Year _____

Fellowship Program _____ Program Completion Year _____

Hospital Affiliation _____

• Primary Specialty _____ Board Certified: Yes No

• Secondary Specialty _____ Board Certified: Yes No

Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Spouse's First Name: _____ Spouse's Last Name: _____

Is your spouse a physician?: Yes No If yes, are they a member of MSMS?: Yes No

Within the last five years, have you been convicted of a felony crime?: Yes No If "yes," please provide full information: _____

