Scholarly Activities Newsletter

Publications, Projects, and Updates

• Please join us for our brown bag research and scholarly activities interest group meetings. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM on Zoom. Join members of the Research Committee for an informal chat about ideas for projects and collaborations. Whether you are just getting your feet wet or are passionate about research, all are welcome! Please check the Zoom link sent by Nerissa Leonardo each month for the meeting invitation.

• Dr. Bernice Ruo and Dr. Namita Sachdev presented, “Learning Climate: Encouraging a Growth Mindset in Trainees,” at the Regional Society of General Internal Medicine meeting in January 2023. Also at this meeting, Dr. Ruo presented two posters, “Persistent Migraine Aura without Headache” (with Manjari Daniel and Danielle Urman) and “Vasculitis in a Patient with Chronic Hepatitis” (with Danielle Urman and Vandan Patel).

• Dr. Bernice Ruo, Dr. Lawrence Ma, Dr. Joseph Diaz, Dr. Jennifer Deconde, and Dr. Melissa Wong presented a research abstract poster, “COVID Pandemic Effects on Chronic Disease Management of Patients with Type 2 Diabetes at an Academic Internal Medicine Practice,” at the Regional Society of General Internal Medicine meeting in January 2023.

• Dr. Stacy Charat and colleagues had a poster, “Interdisciplinary Outpatient Team Approach for Methadone to Buprenorphine/Naloxone Conversion in a Patient with Chronic Pain,” accepted to the American Academy of Pain national conference.


• Dr. Megha Shankar, Dr. Stacy Charat, and colleagues presented the following at the Regional Society of General Internal Medicine
Upcoming Meetings

The American College of Physicians Annual Meeting will be April 27–29, 2023 in San Diego, California. https://acponline.org

The 2023 Society for General Internal Medicine Annual Meeting will take place in Aurora, Colorado on May 10-13, 2023. https://connect.sgim.org/annualmeeting/home


• Dr. Melinda Chen and colleagues had a abstract, “A Mixed Methods Pilot Study of a Virtual Therapeutic Writing Intervention for AYAs with Cancer,” accepted to the American Psychosocial Oncology Society conference in March 2023.

• Dr. Crystal Cené and colleagues had an article, “Relationship of Social Connectedness With Decreasing Physical Activity During the COVID-19 Pandemic Among Older Women Participating in the Women’s Health Initiative Study,” published in the Journals of Gerontology. Series A, Biological Sciences and Medical Sciences in December 2022.

• Dr. Amy Sitapati is the principal investigator for the STRENGTH project to provide adult immunizations to employee health. She was also appointed to the AMIA Biomedical and Health Informatics Academics Leaders Community. She and colleagues published the article, “Population-Based Evaluation of Post-Acute COVID-19 Chronic Sequelae in Patients Who Tested Positive for SARS-CoV-2,” in Open Forum Infectious Diseases in 2022. Dr. Sitapati and colleagues also published, “Deep Dive into the Long Haul: Analysis of Symptom Clusters and Risk Factors for Post-Acute Sequelae of COVID-19 to Inform Clinical Care,” in the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health in December 2022. Additionally, Dr. Sitapati gave the following presentations: “Applied Population Health and Vital Records Informatics” (Rutgers Grand Rounds, December 2022), “Researcher Workbench for All of Us” (American Association of Critical-Care Nurses meeting, January 2023), and “ASCVD Best Practices Learning Collaborative Addressing Health Equity in Healthcare” (AMGA meeting in February 2023).
Making Connections

- **Dr. Ian Jenkins** from the UCSD Division of Hospital Medicine is working on a project on telemetry safety and utilization and would be delighted to have a partner interested in patient and family interactions, safety event review, and in improving harm communication. If interested in related research or in sharing lessons or optimizing these processes, please contact Dr. Jenkins at ihjenkins@ucsd.edu.

- Please contact any of the Research Committee members at the email address(es) below if you would like to chat about research or scholarly activities. We are here to help! If you have updates on your scholarly activities that you would like to share, please email Dr. Melinda Chen.

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