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**The primary mission of the AAMC's Group on Institutional Planning (GIP) is to advance the discipline of planning in academic medicine by enhancing the skills and knowledge of professional planners; to promote the value of planning; and to connect people, resources, and ideas.**

## GIP News and Business

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### GIP Subcommittee Updates

The GIP Strategic Planning and Management Subcommittee continues to focus on monthly hot topic discussions. On the January call, Gerona McGrath, MBA, MEd (Education Specialist and Project Manager at Memorial University of Newfoundland) presented on the [Inclusion of Different Voices in the Planning Process](#). More information on the subcommittee's hot topics can be [found here](#). Additionally, there is a subgroup within the subcommittee that is working on streamlining and redesigning the [Strategic Planning Resources webpage](#).

The GIP Facilities Planning & Space Management Subcommittee members continue to facilitate hot topic discussions on the monthly subcommittee calls. On the February subcommittee call, Suzann Staal, M.Arch (Director, Planning & Facilities, University of Colorado School of Medicine) presented [Addressing Space for on Clinical Efforts](#). On the March call, Niki Smith, MMHC (Associate Vice President, Space Management, Vanderbilt University Medical Center) presented on [How to Manage Freezers and Specimen Storage](#). Both presentations were followed by robust discussions. More information on these monthly discussions can be [found here](#).

The Data-Driven Academic Medical Centers (DDAMC) Work Group is a collaborative and cross cutting work group comprised of members from the GBA, GIP, and GIR. The monthly calls provide a forum for discussion around improving data-driven decision making across the academic medicine community by sharing knowledge. Recent presentations and topics discussed include: [Oasis](#), [Faculty Information Systems](#), and [Faculty Tracking Systems](#).

**Questions or interested in joining a [GIP subcommittee or work group](#)? Contact [Shawn Rosen-Holtzman](#)**

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## **Molly Devine Promoted to Senior Specialist**

Molly Devine, MPA, has been promoted to Constituent Engagement Senior Specialist in the AAMC's Constituent Engagement Unit (CEU). In this role, she will continue to support the Group on Institutional Planning (GIP), Group on Faculty Practice (GFP), and Chief Medical Officers' Group (CMOG). She has worked with these groups since 2020 and has helped to increase engagement with these important constituencies. Molly is a valued member of the CEU and has worked with ten other Affinity Groups during her tenure at the AAMC. In addition, Molly has a gig as the "Project Coordinator: Maternal Mental Health," part of [Action Plan 7](#), in which she leads the action plan's maternal mental health work. We are grateful for all of the contributions Molly brings to the CEU and to the AAMC. Please join us in congratulating her on this well-deserved promotion!

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## **GBA / GIP 2023 Joint Spring Meeting**

It was great to see so many of you at our spring meeting in San Juan. Please find additional photos from the conference below. We look forward to seeing you in 2024 in Boston!



*Left to right: Past GIP Chairs, Angie Souza (UAHS) & Brian Smith (UCSF,) and current Chair, Pamela Edwards (Rutgers) at Museo Casa Blanca in Old San Juan.*



*Left to right: Drea Hall (Northwestern) and Arnetha Whitmore (UCSF) facilitating a hot topic discussion on “How Space is Managed.”*



*Kevin Bell (UAB) presenting on “Two Schools' Experience with Policies for Research Space Utilization - Past, Present, and Future” along with colleagues from UAB and Emory.*



*Left to Right: Jack Ko and Vivian Wei during their presentation on “Think Beyond Possible - The RPA Journey at Case Western Reserve University.”*



*Left to Right: Kelley McHale and Suzann Staal during their presentation on “Evolution of the CU Anschutz Hub Model - Innovative Shared Workspace Prototypes.”*



## Save the Date

GBA / GIP 2024 Joint Spring Meeting  
Boston Park Plaza, Boston, MA  
April 17 - April 19, 2024



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## AAMC News

### **AAMCNews: The end of the COVID-19 public health emergency could further strain emergency departments**

Millions could lose Medicaid coverage and turn to emergency departments for care. States are working to avoid disruptions. [Read More](#)

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### **AAMC open letter reaffirms commitment to diversity in medical education**

AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, and Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer David A. Acosta, MD, sent an open letter to the association's member medical schools, teaching hospitals and health systems, and academic societies. "We want to underscore that the AAMC is here to support your efforts to lead in the name of diversity, equity, inclusion, and racial justice. Your commitment and dedication to this work is important, recognized, and lauded." [Read More](#)

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### **LCME responds to House Committee on Education and the Workforce**

The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) has responded to a recent inquiry from the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Education and the Workforce. In addition to responding to the questions from the committee, the letter provides background information regarding the role of the LCME and its accreditation standards

with respect to medical education in the United States. [Read More](#)

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### **AAMC statement on President Biden's intent to nominate Monica Bertagnolli, MD, as director of the NIH**

AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, and Chief Scientific Officer Ross McKinney Jr., MD, issued a statement following President Biden's announcement of his intent to nominate Monica Bertagnolli, MD, as the next director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). "In her current role as director of the National Cancer Institute at the NIH, and as a surgeon previously at the Dana-Farber Brigham Cancer Center and professor of surgery at Harvard Medical School, Dr. Bertagnolli has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to improving people's health by advancing medical science." [Read More](#)

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### **AAMC names recipients of Mental and Behavioral Health Training Awards**

The AAMC has named the recipients of its Mental and Behavioral Health Training Awards. Four AAMC-member institutions — Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Georgetown University Medical Center, Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine, and University of California, Davis, School of Medicine — were recognized for programs that prioritize team-oriented training in integrated behavioral health (IBH) to increase access to mental and behavioral health care in an innovative way and that prepare and train providers and trainees with the skills and competencies needed to work in IBH care models. The AAMC looks forward to collaborating with these programs to learn more and to share strategies for improving mental and behavioral health access. [Read More](#)

## **Learning Opportunities**

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### **Register for final AAMC integrated behavioral health webinar**

The AAMC is wrapping up a [series of webinars](#) to highlight the role of academic medicine in promoting and advancing integrated behavioral health (IBH). The final webinar, "Past Reflections and Future Opportunities: Lessons Learned and Current Challenges in Implementing IBH at Academic Medical Centers," will be held on June 13 at 4 p.m. ET. Panelists from three institutions with IBH programs will discuss why and how they created their programs and will review lessons learned and challenges during implementation, followed by an interactive discussion with panelists. This series will be particularly valuable to health care providers, clinical and health system leaders, medical educators, and all others interested in IBH. [Register Now](#)

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### **Recording available: Senate HELP Committee roundtable at Morehouse School of Medicine**

On May 12, David J. Skorton, MD, AAMC president and CEO, participated in a Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee roundtable with Sen. Bernie

Sanders (I-Vt.) at Morehouse School of Medicine to discuss how to increase the number of Black Americans in the medical field and improve health outcomes for Black Americans. Additional participants were Valerie Montgomery Rice, MD, president and CEO of Morehouse School of Medicine; Jeannette South-Paul, MD, executive vice president and provost at Meharry Medical College; Hugh Mighty, MD, senior vice president for health affairs at Howard University; and David Carlisle, MD, PhD, MPH, president and CEO of Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, as well as medical students and a resident. [View the Recording](#)

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## Save the date for Learn Serve Lead 2023: The AAMC Annual Meeting



Learn Serve Lead 2023: The AAMC Annual Meeting will take place Nov. 3-7 in Seattle, bringing together colleagues, educators, students, resident physicians, researchers, clinicians, administrators, and health system leaders to discuss the most pressing issues facing health care, biomedical research, and medical education. The meeting will feature an inspiring lineup of notable speakers, scholars, and artists, including Matthew Desmond, PhD, author and Maurice P. During Professor of Sociology at Princeton University. Desmond is a contributing writer for *The New York Times Magazine*, has received a MacArthur “Genius” Fellowship, and has been listed among the *Politico 50* for work that identifies deep issues and presents thoughtful, ambitious solutions. More speakers to be announced. Registration will open in June.

## Publications & Resources

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### **NAM publishes resources for hospitals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions**

Climate change is increasingly affecting people's health, which has direct consequences for the health care system. The U.S. health sector is responsible for generating approximately 8.5% of U.S. carbon emissions and 25% of global health sector emissions,

more than any other national health sector. The National Academy of Medicine (NAM) Action Collaborative on Decarbonizing the U.S. Health Sector, of which AAMC President and CEO David J. Skorton, MD, [is a member](#), has released a list of nine key actions that hospitals and health systems can take to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. [Read More](#)

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### **April Policy and Regulatory Roundup**

The [Policy and Regulatory Roundup](#) features a brief overview of our latest work from the previous month and includes staff contact information if you have questions or comments. For more policy and regulatory updates please [visit this page](#).

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### **Medical School Admissions: Focusing on Producing a Physician Workforce that Addresses the Needs of the United States**

*In this Invited Commentary, the authors call for transforming the medical student selection process in order to build the U.S. physician workforce that the country needs. They suggest ways to develop a more diverse pool of applicants; align admission criteria with competencies expected of medical school graduates; and leverage innovations in technology to improve the selection processes.*

Charles G. Prober, MD, and Sanjay V. Desai, MD

[Read More](#)

## **Recommended Reading & Listening**

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### **The Healthy Project Podcast explores the transformation of communities through policy, equity, and local solutions**

Philip Alberti, PhD, founding director of the [AAMC Center for Health Justice](#), joined a recent episode of The Healthy Project Podcast for a conversation on health justice, its impact on various communities, the significance of policy versus politics, and the power of local solutions. [Listen Now](#)

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### **New AAMC journal policies on use of AI in scholarship submissions**

The recent advances in artificial intelligence (AI) technology, such as ChatGPT, have touched all aspects of academic medicine, including health professions education scholarship. To provide guidance to authors, the AAMC's two peer-reviewed journals, *Academic Medicine* and *MedEdPORTAL*, have each developed a policy for reporting and disclosing the use of AI tools in journal submissions. An [editorial](#) published in *Academic Medicine* examines the journal's approach to thinking about the use of AI tools in developing submissions, and a [new policy](#) has been added to the journal's instructions for authors. A [new policy](#) has also been added to the submission instructions for *MedEdPORTAL*. Questions about approaches to the use of AI tools for submissions to both journals can be directed to Mary Beth DeVilbiss ([mbdevilbiss@aamc.org](mailto:mbdevilbiss@aamc.org)), AAMC director of journals.



# Welcome New Members

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**(May 2023)**

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