Alumni Announcements

Happy spring! We hope everyone is staying safe amid the pandemic. We appreciate your commitment to the field of Emergency Medicine and service on the frontline. The UTSW/Parkland EM Alumni Committee would like to stay updated on news. Please send us any updates, shout outs, exciting news, or exciting opportunities and we will be happy to share!

We hope to stay connected to the former alumni and current faculty members of UTSW/Parkland Emergency Medicine Program. One of the goals is to allocate funds for current and future residency events and towards growing the UTSW residency. Please contact us if you have any questions on how you can contribute!

Thank you for the continued support in making us successful!

Welcome class of 2023!

We are excited for the new interns to join our residency family come July 1st!
What's up at work?

Congratulations to new leadership additions!

Program Director, Dustin Williams, M.D.

Assistant Program Director, Robert Barnes, M.D.

Assistant Program Director, Melissa Smith, M.D.

Chief Residents 2020-2021

Dalbir Bahga (bottom right), David Busse (top right), Zach Hansen (bottom left), Shelly Saha (middle), Ty Stannard (top left)

COVID takes teamwork
Below: Attendings, residents, and nurses pose with their PPE. Thank you to all our frontline healthcare workers.
Above: PGY-2, Dan Good, presents a case at CORD. He will also be serving as resident member of the AEM Journal editorial board.

Below: PGY-1s, Taylor Guinn (right) and Genette Bergman (left) practice ultrasound. Taylor was recently featured on the UTSW website where she reflected on Match Day and provided inspiration for those not experiencing a community Match Day this year due to COVID.

Above: Garret Blumberg, current ultrasound fellow and previous chief resident, teaches the interns to place ultrasound-guided PIVs.

Above: Jake Orchard, PGY-3, and Sravna Paladugu, PGY-1, practice donning and doffing PPE.

Journal Club: Always more fun with a photo booth. Featured left to right: Dr. Williams, Beau Curet, Shelby Stribling, and Dusty Taliaferro.
Meet the Residents of the Month

Above: Bernard Do, PGY-2, presents an article at Journal Club.

Above: Residents enjoy a local bar after the In-training examination.

Above: Salim Rezaie, founder of rebelem, featured as our grand rounds speaker.

PGY-2s enjoying a day off with paintball!

**Journal club is held the evening before grand rounds at a local restaurant. 2 hours of CME on us! Contact vannessa.pantoja@UTsouthwestern.edu if you are interested in attending. We would love to have you!**

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My journey to Parkland was a bit convoluted, making some stops along the way as an EMT and firefighter, then a paramedic for a total of 12 years. At the same time, I had gone to physical therapy school and worked as a sports and orthopedic PT for a total of 8 years. While I loved both of these careers, working as a paramedic was highly satisfying and more intriguing to me, which prompted my decision to go to medical school to become an Emergency Medicine physician, and ultimately become an EMS physician.

When it came time to select an Emergency Medicine residency, UT-Southwestern and Parkland Hospital made the top of my list for a number of reasons. First and foremost, it was absolutely the amazing EMS experience and prestigious EMS faculty that drew me to this program. I worked hard to get an away rotation and remember hassling Dr. Van Dermark repeatedly about getting me into the clerkship (thank you, sir!).

While visiting Parkland for that month, it was chaos and I loved it. I saw superstar residents doing incredible work confidently and efficiently and I was in awe. I saw a diverse faculty group who loved to teach, as well as a large and challenging patient population with a wide variety of pathology treated with compassion and humility. But what caught my attention the most was how this residency, despite its massive size, seemed like a close-knit family who thoroughly enjoyed their work and each other. At my interview, I all but begged Dr. Velez and Dr. Roppolo to let me in (thank you, ma'am!).

I was thrilled to match at UTSW and train at Parkland Hospital. Of course, residency was challenging, but I had an amazing residency class and made some close friends for life. All of the things that drew me to UTSW initially proved true throughout my three years. After residency, I stayed on for a year of EMS fellowship training, and after that, chose to stay on as faculty at UTSW. Now, serving as faculty where I once was begging to visit as a student, I am humbled and honored daily with my role in teaching the future generations of Emergency Medicine physicians, as well as other residents and medical students. To make the dream job even sweeter, I have the privilege of serving as the Associate Chief for the Division of EMS, the Deputy Medical Director for Dallas Fire-Rescue and the UTSW/Parkland BioTel EMS System (the 5th largest EMS system in the US!), and as a tactical physician for the Dallas Police SWAT Team.

When not working, I enjoy spending time with my wife, Diana, and my four children, Lucas (13), Elayna (11), Chloe (5), and Emma (2). I love watching them grow and learn. I enjoy working in the yard and in our gardens, and love traveling with the family for beaches and snowboarding every year. If the sun is shining, we’re probably outside somewhere.
We appreciate your support so we can continue these DallasEM traditions. Look for the next issue to see what your contributions have helped us to achieve!

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We would like to hear from you! If you have any exciting news that you’d like to share in the next newsletter, please contact Ty Stannard (PGY-2) at tyler.stannard@phhs.org along with any questions or concerns!

Shout outs/Resident Corner

Congrats to Jesse Hernandez, PGY-2, and his family on welcoming their baby boy Ace.

Congrats to Ty Stannard, PGY-2, and his family on welcoming their baby girl Scout.