

Department of Emergency Medicine Quarterly Update

July-August-September 2024

Message from the Chair: Barry J. Knapp, M.D.

A special thanks to all that helped to make the EVMS Emergency Medicine @ ODU Resident/Fellow reunion on 9/30/2024 in Las Vegas a reality! A great time was had by all. It was wonderful to see our former graduates! I look forward to planning another alumni event in the not-too-distant future. Thank you to Ashley and Lisa for helping make the reunion a reality! (See pictures at the end of the newsletter).

A big welcome aboard to J.D. Landon (right) as he settles into his new role as a core faculty member! J.D. completed his residency followed by an U.S. Fellowship with EVMS EM. He is an outstanding educator and has a strong interest in resuscitation and research. JD is also a podcast star! You can check him out on [Emergency Physicians Monthly Podcast EPM TALK](#).

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New Academic Department Faculty Appointments

Anjeza Cipi, MD, was promoted as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University to the rank of Associate Professor.

Anjeza Cipi, MD, was nominated and approved by the EVMS @ ODU Board of Directors, Board of Visitors, and Dean to receive the **Francis L. Counselman, MD, FACEP Professorship**. Congrats Anya!

Rebecca Johnson, MD, received her initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.



Christina Gates, DO, received her initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Jaquelin W. Sugameli, DO, received her initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Anupam Gupta, DO, received his initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Ashley J. Kaufman, DO, received her initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Ashley M. Nelsen, MD, received her initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Daniel M. Duk, MD, received his initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Rodrigo Reyna, MD, received his initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Taylor R. Caddell, DO, received his initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Gabrielle A. Gauthier, MPA, PA-C, received her initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Nathan J. Branson, MPA, PA-C, received his initial appointment as a faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine in the Macon & Joan Brock Virginia Health Sciences Eastern Virginia Medical School at Old Dominion University at the rank of Instructor.

Special Achievements

Carol McCammon, MD, Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, was elected as the 2024 physician of the year by the John Krueger Foundation. The annual event will take place on October 8, 2024.

Congratulations to Ultrasound Fellows **Kaitlynn Butler, MD** and **Ahmed Abd El Aziz, MD**. They both passed their SPI (US Physics) exam!

Barry Knapp, MD Chidester Endowed Professor of Emergency Medicine, was appointed as the Chair of ABEM's Disaster Medicine Task Force.

Barry Knapp, MD, Chidester Endowed Professor of Emergency Medicine, was appointed as Vice-Chair for the ABEM Research Committee.

Barry Knapp, MD, was appointed to the ABEM Academic Affairs Committee and Credentialing Committee.

Publications

Joseph Lang, MD, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, Dylan Woolum, MD, **Nella Hendley, MD**, Instructor of Emergency Medicine, **Don Byars, MD**, Professor of Emergency Medicine, [A "Can't Miss" case of knee pain](#), Visual Journal of Emergency Medicine, Volume 36,2024,102025, ISSN 2405-4690

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Scholarly Activities and Speaking Engagements

From July 10-13, 2024 **Barry Knapp, MD**, **Charles Graffeo, MD** and **Martin Klinkhammer, MD** attended the American Board of Emergency Medicine Item-Writer's meeting.

From July 13-17, 2024, **Barry Knapp, MD** attended the American Board of Emergency Medicine Board of Director's meeting.

On July 18, 2024, **Bruce Lo, MD**, Professor of Emergency Medicine, gave a talk for the EVMS Community Advisory Board titled: Sentara Stroke Program.

On July 26, 2024 **Charles Graffeo, MD**, Professor of Emergency Medicine, sat on the panel for the New GME Faculty Orientation.

On July 30, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD**, Instructor of Emergency Medicine, gave a lecture to the IM residency.

On August 8, 2024 **Barry Knapp, MD**, gave second year medical students in the Heart, Lung, Kidney Course "Advanced Cardiac Lecture".

On August 9, 2024, **Katherine Schaffer, MD**, EVMS EM PGY-3 and **Megan Duggins, MD**, EVMS EM PGY-1, volunteered at the Blue Heart Clinic.

On August 10, 2024, **Katherine Schaffer, MD**, and **Ashley Gugino, MD**, EVMS EM PGY-2 volunteered at Street Health.

On August 14, 2024, **Barry Knapp, MD**, gave EVMS first year medical students "Introduction to Ultrasound" lecture.

Shirley Jones, DO, Instructor of Emergency Medicine, taught a lecture titled "Critical Care and Pulmonary Emboli: Approach to the Unstable" in Trinidad at two hospitals, Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex on September 3, 2024 and San Fernando General Hospital on September 4, 2024.

Coral Byrns, DO, EVMS EM PGY-2 taught a lecture at San Fernando General Hospital on September 4, 2024 titled "Pediatric Asthma".

Megyn Christensen, DO, EVMS EM PGY-2 taught a lecture at San Fernando General Hospital on September 5, 2024 titled "Procedural Sedation".

Shirley Jones, DO taught a lecture called "ECG and Syncope" at San Fernando General Hospital on September 5, 2024.

On September 5, 2025 **Anjeza Cipi, MD** volunteered at HOPES Sports Medicine Clinic.

On September 5, 2024 **Matt Jones, MD**, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, **Kaitlynn Butler, MD**, and **Anjeza Cipi, MD** held an advanced echo course for the EVMS MFM Fellowship.

On September 9, 2024 **S. Konnar Ansell, MD**, EVMS EM PGY-1 volunteered at Street Health.

On September 9-13, 2024 **Barry Knapp, MD**, **Charles Graffeo, MD** and **Martin Klinkhammer, MD**, were examiners for the American Board of Emergency Medical Oral Certifying exam in Chicago, Illinois.

On September 10, 2024 **Kean Feyzeau, MD**, and **Matt Jones, MD**, taught a transesophageal echocardiography course at the Society for Clinical Ultrasound Fellowships (SCUF) conference in September in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

On September 11, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD**, gave a lecture covering subjective and objective methods of evaluating right ventricular systolic and diastolic function. Topics included; TAPSE, S', Fractional Area change, subjective function, RIMP, and RV diastolic function to M4 students.

On September 12, 2024 **Bruce Lo, MD**, taught as faculty for the American Academy of Emergency Medicine: ED Operations Certificate Course, Session: Queuing Theory and Theory of Constraints

Kean Feyzeau, MD gave a lecture Aortic Stenosis and Portal Hypertension: Clinical Correlations, to the M1 students on September 13, 2024

On September 17, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD** participated in an invited panel for the American Medical Student Association titled "Becoming a Top Residency Candidate: Insights and Tips".

On September 20, 2024 **Bruce Lo, MD** gave a talk for the American Academy of Emergency Medicine Written Board Review Course: Psychosocial Disorders.

On September 22, 2024 the ultrasound fellowship held an oyster roast!

On September 23, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD** gave a Right Upper Quadrant Ultrasound Lecture and Scanning session to M3 Surgery clerkship.

On September 23, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD** gave the lecture EFAST: Is that Fluid or am I seeing things to M1 students.

On September 25, 2024 **Donald Byars, MD**, Professor of Emergency Medicine presented “A Career in Emergency Medicine” to M1/M2 EVMS students.

On September 25, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD** gave a cardiac ultrasound lecture and scanning session for the M3 Internal Medicine Clerkship.

On September 25, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD** held a 2-hour advanced discussion regarding echocardiographic assessment of cardiovascular pressures CVP/RAP, RVSP, PASP, PADP, mean PAP, PCWP/PAOP, calculating stroke volume and cardiac output with M4 students.

On September 26, 2024 **Gavin Rogers, MD** gave a lecture to M2 students titled: “Flank Pain; looking for things that will kill your patient.”

On September 27, 2024 **Kean Feyzeau, MD** taught the M1 students DVT Ultrasound and Clinical Correlation.

J.D. Landon, MD, Instructor of Emergency Medicine completed Resuscitative Transesophageal Echocardiography course ([rTEE course](#)) at the annual American College of Emergency Physicians conference in Las Vegas.

On September 28, 2024 **Anjeza Cipi, MD** completed the second part of CORD Residency Administration Fellowship.

On September 29, 2024 **Anjeza Cipi, MD** completed Resuscitative Transesophageal Echocardiography course ([rTEE course](#)) at the annual American College of Emergency Physicians conference in Las Vegas.

On September 28, 2024 **Anjeza Cipi, MD, Donald Byars, MD, and JD Landon, MD** participated in the ACEP Residency Fair.

On September 29, 2024 **Shirley Jones, DO, Gavin Rogers, MD, and Barry Knapp, MD** participated in the ACEP Fellowship Fair.

Nicholas Huth, DO, EVMS EM PGY-3 and **Greg Weingart, MD**, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, gave an oral presentation titled: “Outcomes from an Emergency Department Observation Program for Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries” at the annual American College of Emergency Physicians conference in Las Vegas.

Nicholas Huth, DO and **Benjamin Blackwood, MD**, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, gave a poster presentation titled: “Relative Productivity: A Data Driven Equitable Productivity Model” at the annual American College of Emergency Physicians conference in Las Vegas.

J.D. Landon, MD published podcast episode 82 on the Emergency Physicians Monthly Podcast EP TALK titled [“Enhancing CPR- The Role of Doppler Ultrasound in Cardiac Arrest.”](#)

J.D. Landon, MD published podcast episode 83 on the Emergency Physicians Monthly Podcast EP TALK titled [“ Early IM Epinephrine: A Game Changer in Cardiac Arrest Treatment.”](#)

On September 30 and October 1, 2024 **Matt Jones, MD, Kean Feyzeau, MD and Abd El Aziz, MD** held a two-day ultrasound training course for the Nightingale Flight Crew.

Accepted Abstracts and Presentations

Carol McCammon, MD, Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine and **Eleanor Erwin, MD**, Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, had an oral abstract presentation accepted to the Virginia Public Health Association conference in September 2024 titled “Sentara Opioid Bridge to Recovery (SOBR) program: Essential partnerships that connect emergency departments with medical assisted therapy clinics to improve access to opioid use disorder treatment.”

Upcoming Events

- **Journal Club:** October 28, 2024 at 6:30pm at the SmartMouth Brewery!

Reunion Highlights!





