

*The Department of Pediatrics Faculty Affairs Board and the  
Awards and Visibility Committee present*

# **Mission-Based Faculty Development Seminars**

## **Focus on Leadership**

**Thursday, August 18, 12:00 – 1:00 pm**

**Networking session 1:00 – 1:30 pm**

**Lunch provided**

Please join our panelists – **Nia Heard-Garris, Kiona Allen, Sameer Patel, and Kelly Michelson** – as they share their passion and pathway to excellence to help you chart your own career trajectory. Please see the next page to learn about the accomplishments that earned them a Department of Pediatrics Excellence Award in Leadership.

*We hope you will consider an in-person experience to maximize this networking opportunity with like-minded colleagues. A light lunch will be provided.*

### **Three ways to participate:**

- 1. In-person** in Lurie Conference Room 11-150.
- 2. Live-stream via Media Site.**  
<https://luriechildrens.mediasite.com/Mediasite/Channel/pediatrics>
- 3. Archived** recording for those who cannot attend. Q&A can be sent to [pediatrics@luriechildrens.org](mailto:pediatrics@luriechildrens.org) and a response will be provided by a panelist

Please RSVP to [pediatrics@luriechildrens.org](mailto:pediatrics@luriechildrens.org) if you will be attending in person so that we can provide sufficient lunches.

**Questions for our panelists?** Share them ahead of time so we can make this an excellent experience for everyone.

## MEET OUR PANELISTS

[Nia Heard-Garris, MD, MSc](#) (Asst Prof, Advanced General Pediatrics and Primary Care) has brought considerable national recognition to Lurie when she was catapulted into the national spotlight, given her research on racism and her position as Chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Minority Health, Equity, and Inclusion. Closer to home, she participated in an advocacy video for residency applicants, and lead workshops on racism within our institution. As a former Public Voices Fellow, she has published numerous op-eds about advocacy in the Chicago Tribune as well as national outlets. She was awarded a career development award through the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, a prestigious research grant to study the impact of adversities and trauma on Chicago's youth and to deliver a teen-centered intervention to reduce their stress.



[Kiona Allen, MD](#) (Assoc Prof, Cardiology) Is Medical Director of the Single Ventricle (SV) Center of Excellence, where she led the creation of a comprehensive program to manage fragile infant SV patients. Under her leadership, the team has been able to combine in-person clinic with telemedicine visits and remote patient monitoring via a novel digital platform. She also expanded the SV program for older children by helping to create the national Fontan Outcomes Network (FON) which is tasked with building a national registry and quality improvement collaborative to track outcomes for patients as they move into adulthood and beyond. As Associate Director of the NICU-Cardiac Neurodevelopmental Program, she helped build the Child & Adolescent NCNP Clinic and its partnership with Cardiac Neurodevelopmental Outcomes Collaborative. In January 2020 she stepped into the role of Interim Medical Director of the

Regenstein Cardiac Care Unit.

[Sameer Patel, MD, MPH](#) (Assoc Prof, Infectious Diseases) serves as the Director of Antimicrobial Stewardship, where he is the major driver for quality improvement and change in the implementation of information technology to steward antibiotic and diagnostic use. He administers and conducts a series of monthly lectures on antibiotic and diagnostic usage, serves as a faculty mentor, contributes to the Lurie Children's Quality Improvement Writers Course, and belongs to a wide range of important committees across the organization. At the national level, he is one of 15 committee members to advise the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Epicenters Program on pediatric research priorities in healthcare-associated infections and antimicrobial stewardship. He was one of 30 mid-career adult and pediatric ID specialists to participate in the Infectious Diseases Society of America Leadership Institute.



[Kelly Michelson, MD, MPH](#) (Prof, Critical Care) formed the Chicago Bioethics Coalition (CBC) to address the myriad of ethical issues raised during the Covid-19 pandemic. The CBC includes 50+ bioethics experts from over a dozen Chicago-area institutions. Their collaborative efforts have led to publications in high impact journals such as JAMA network, Op-Eds, and media outreach. Dr. Michelson has participated in many local and national forums, invited talks, and media engagements in print, radio, and television. These pandemic-related activities are in addition to her established responsibilities, such as Director of the Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities, and Chief Ethics Officer for the newly formed Northwestern Institute for Augmented Intelligence in Medicine. She recently completed the Academic Leadership

Program, facilitated by the Big Ten Academic Alliance, to learn about university administration. She was one of four faculty across Northwestern University – and the only FSM faculty -- to participate in this program.

# Mission-Based Faculty Development offerings

## Seminar Calendar

Date	Mission	Link to prior seminar
May 2021	Education	<a href="https://luriechildrens.mediasite.com/Mediasite/Play/8cb81dae49f24af8a964ba1083bf40c41d">https://luriechildrens.mediasite.com/Mediasite/Play/8cb81dae49f24af8a964ba1083bf40c41d</a>
September 2021	Scholarship	<a href="https://luriechildrens.mediasite.com/Mediasite/Play/1b89fce86dda4a7e9119cf312a0dec991d?catalog=8a6de4ce02e74e6ab8553faa9bd0cfd021">https://luriechildrens.mediasite.com/Mediasite/Play/1b89fce86dda4a7e9119cf312a0dec991d?catalog=8a6de4ce02e74e6ab8553faa9bd0cfd021</a>
June 2022	Outreach	<a href="https://northwestern.zoom.us/rec/share/3Lhegf6gkeLVE4GOTbadvgzvTBnl-Cez5hcQnFQEvjQ1MMLFV2nC3ufSqWHRkaWL.NIU3zZt8peGq9JbZ">https://northwestern.zoom.us/rec/share/3Lhegf6gkeLVE4GOTbadvgzvTBnl-Cez5hcQnFQEvjQ1MMLFV2nC3ufSqWHRkaWL.NIU3zZt8peGq9JbZ</a>
August 2022	Leadership	To come
November 2022	Clinical Care	To come

The Department of Pediatrics is proud to host these faculty development seminars.

All of the panelists have been winners of the Department “Excellence Awards”  
in their respective areas.

We are happy to tap into their expertise and share information and tips  
on how to succeed in *your* mission-based career.

All the sessions will be archived on the  
Department of Pediatrics website for on-demand viewing at  
<https://www.pediatrics.northwestern.edu/faculty-development/career-skills.html>

**Questions?** Contact [pediatrics@luriechildrens.org](mailto:pediatrics@luriechildrens.org)