

ALLIANCE *update*

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Connecting education to exceptional patient care

2022 Innovation Award Winner Named

The AIAMC Board of Directors recently announced **OhioHealth** as the winner of the 2022 AIAMC Innovation Award. They will be recognized with this esteemed honor at our awards dinner in New Orleans on Friday, March 25th.



Resident Escape Room to Promote Quality and Patient Safety Concepts

was submitted by **Sara Sukalich, MD, MEd**, Senior Director, Medical Education and DIO. Contributing authors were **Gary Duncan, MD; Ryan K Brinn, MD; Zach Baird, DO; Joel Shaw, MD; and Brad D Gable, MD, MS, FACEP**. Escape rooms have been widely used in nursing, pharmacy, and to a lesser degree resident education. The use of escape rooms to deliver patient safety and quality improvement education has been less widely reported. As a new generation becomes the primary population of medical residents, growth of hands-on experiential learning, like escape rooms, will be needed to match learner needs. In groups of three to four, learners from all OhioHealth residency and fellowship programs completed nine puzzle escape rooms over a 15-minute period. Upon completion, a 15-minute group debrief clarified learning points from each puzzle. Following the debrief, learners responded to a standard Return on Investment in Learning questionnaire. A total of 307 of OhioHealth's 409 residents and fellows completed the escape room education (75.1%). Learners' self-reported confidence increased (agree/strongly agree) in their ability to: describe key aspects of quality improvement (94%), explain important aspects of patient safety (96.5%), and demonstrate the event reporting process for patient safety events (96.2%). The total cost of materials for the escape room was just \$94.75. Congratulations!



The AIAMC Innovation Award is presented on an annual basis to our institutional member who best exemplifies creative and innovative approaches to medical education and research. in the following categories:

- The development and/or implementation of innovative medical education programs for residents, physicians and other staff and may include curriculum development and implementation, assessment methodologies, and/or outcomes related to medical education initiatives.
- Innovation significant themes such as provider well-being, quality improvement, population health, health disparities and/or cultural competency initiatives involving residents, physicians and other staff and related outcomes.
- The development and/or application of scientific discoveries. Areas of research may include education, health care improvement, biomedical research and/or translational research.

2022 Annual Meeting

Our 2022 Annual Meeting will be held March 24th—26th at the Loews New Orleans Hotel. We know that COVID continues to be top-of-mind for many, and we are in close contact with hotel and city leadership and believe we CAN and WILL



provide an in-person gathering that is safe and enjoyable for all. To learn more about New Orleans' current guidelines, please visit <https://ready.nola.gov/incident/coronavirus/safe-reopening/>. As healthcare leaders, we believe the current guidelines are entirely manageable. And, while we often refer to the size of our Annual Meeting as being terrific for meaningful networking, it is also becoming apparent that smaller meetings will be the first to return to in-person gatherings. We look forward to seeing many of you in New Orleans!

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National Initiative News

The AIAMC and The Proximity Project are offering a unique year-long training program for healthcare professionals looking to deepen their JEDI work and build enduring ties with marginalized communities. The *Distinction in Diversity* program will bring together healthcare professionals from independent academic medical centers across the country for ten two-hour-long monthly virtual training sessions bookended with in-person learning and community-building experiences.

This program is not an isolated, intellectual exercise— leaders connect closely with patients, caregivers, and community leaders whose truth and insights inform participants’ reflections and actions. *Distinction in Diversity* is for doers, learners, and healthcare professionals seeking to challenge themselves to make a greater impact on justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion.

Distinction in Diversity builds upon the AIAMC’s eighteen-month National Initiative VIII *JEDI: Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion* and The Proximity Project’s eight-week training program for healthcare leaders. For more information and to register, please visit <https://theproximitypro.com/aiamc-distinction/>

All 26 AIAMC-member teams will gather in New Orleans March 25th and 26th for National Initiative VIII Meeting Two. *Meso Environment Approach: Implementing a JEDI Project* will feature speakers from AACOM, AAMC, ACGME, AHA and AMA. Participants will spend valuable time networking in their assigned cohorts, and teams will be provided dedicated time to meet and refine next steps.

The AIAMC National Initiative (NI) is the only national and multi-institutional collaborative of its kind in which residents lead multidisciplinary teams in quality improvement projects aligned to their institution’s strategic goals. Sixty-nine hospitals and health systems and nearly 1,400 individuals have participated in the AIAMC National Initiatives since 2007 driving change that has resulted in meaningful and sustainable outcomes improving the quality and safety of patient care.

Register Now for 2022 Webinar Series

Register now to attend the AIAMC’s 2022 webinar series by visiting <https://aiamc.org/event/39>. In support of AIAMC members in medical education, the AIAMC is excited to announce a year-long leadership development webinar series that advances “Connecting education to exceptional patient care.” Pivotal for all leaders of GME-related programs today, the webinar series is comprised of three longitudinal-themed tracks focused on:

- Lessons Learned from Unexpected Disruptions
- Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI)
- Leadership Core Competencies

Overall, the series will enable GME leaders to understand COVID’s enduring changes in GME delivery; to identify the features of resilient teams; to purposefully design health system aligned GME activities related to justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion; and advance one’s effectiveness as a leader of teams. While each track is designed to be stand-alone, these three themes are foundational components of leading GME in today’s dynamic health care environment.



DID YOU KNOW?.....

We are also bringing back AIAMConnect, the popular program launched when the pandemic first hit. You will determine the content and be enriched by an hour of sharing and networking in a safe space that only the AIAMC can provide.

- *AIAMConnect: No Charge, but Pre-Registration Required*
- *Webinars: \$100 member/\$150 non-member if register for individual sessions. If register for all 9 webinars, special bundled rate of \$750 for members/\$1,000 non-members*



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To learn more about all our 2022 vendor partners, please visit
<https://aiamc.org/partners>

Partnership Program



The AIAMC Partners Program is designed to cultivate a meaningful relationship between our members and the companies that sponsor AIAMC educational outreach programs. Partner support is critical to our ongoing ability to develop and present substantive programs with knowledgeable faculty in central and appealing locations.

***Thank you
to our vendor
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If you would like to be a vendor partner with AIAMC, contact Kimberly Pierce Burke, Executive Director, by e-mailing kimberly@aiamc.org.

2022 Vendor Partners Announced

The AIAMC Partners Program is designed to cultivate a meaningful relationship between our members and the companies who so generously sponsor our educational outreach programs. You will have the opportunity to meet key representatives from these companies at our Annual Meeting March 24th thru 26th in New Orleans. If you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting, additional information will be available throughout the year via our *Alliance Update* newsletter and website. The Alliance recognizes and appreciates the importance of developing and maintaining positive relationships with these organizations. Their support is critical to our ongoing ability to develop and present substantive programs with knowledgeable faculty in central and appealing locations.

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To serve as a learning organization of independent academic medical centers through the application of innovative education and scholarship that drives exceptional patient care.

AIAMC Vision Statement

To be the leader in achieving exceptional health and well-being outcomes for the communities we serve through medical education and scholarship.

