

## National Initiative VIII Teams Announced

Twenty-seven AIAMC-member institutions representing 34 teams have been selected to participate in the AIAMC’s National Initiative VIII on *JEDI: Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion*. These hospitals and health systems span the United States from Washington State to Florida (see sidebar). 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. Seventy hospitals and health systems and more than 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. Selections were based upon demonstrated commitment to better understanding and improving JEDI in clinical learning environments. These teams will collaborate in developing and implementing a JEDI plan that will positively impact both individual performance and institutional culture. Participants will attend four learning sessions as well as monthly networking teleconferences and educational webinars during the 18-month



Initiative. The Committee on the Integration of Academics and Quality (CIAQ) is led by NI VIII Co-Chairs **David Kountz, MD, MBA, FACP**, Vice President, Academic Affairs and Co-Chief Academic Officer at **Hackensack Meridian Health** and **Virginia “Ginny” Mohl, MD, PhD**, DIO and Medical Director of Education at **Billings Clinic**. CIAQ has approved the summer pre-work of teams and is busy planning the first meeting, which will be held virtually on October 15th. “It is time for leaders in healthcare to take an active stand for justice, equity, diversity and inclusion”, states Kimberly Pierce Burke, AIAMC Executive Director. “Inclusion is at the foundation of effective interdisciplinary care and -- with diversity -- core to excellence. The AIAMC looks forward to taking a leadership role in this critically important work.”

- AdventHealth Orlando
- Ascension St. Vincent/ Good Samaritan Hospitals
- Ascension Providence Rochester
- Atrium Health Carolinas MC
- Aurora Health Care
- Baptist Health South Florida
- Bassett Medical Center
- Baystate Health
- Billings Clinic
- Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- ChristianaCare
- Cleveland Clinic Akron General
- Community Health Network
- Guthrie Robert Packer Hospital
- Hackensack Meridian Health - Ocean Medical Center
- HonorHealth
- Kaiser Permanente Napa-Solano FM Residency Program
- Lahey Hospital and Med Center
- Main Line Health
- Monmouth Medical Center
- Ochsner Health
- OhioHealth
- Our Lady of the Lake
- St. Luke’s University Health Network Anderson & Bethlehem
- TriHealth
- UnityPoint Health Des Moines
- Virginia Mason Medical Center



## Mark Your Calendar: 2022 Annual Meeting

Plans are underway for our 2022 Annual Meeting, to be held **March 24th—26th** at the Loews New Orleans Hotel in New Orleans, LA. 2022 Annual Meeting Chairman **Becky Fleig, TriHealth**, and Vice Chair **W. John Yost, MD, UnityPoint Health—Des Moines**, are leading an energized group of AIAMC member volunteers in planning a conference that will be IN-PERSON and provide exceptional content in an atmosphere of networking and dialogue you won’t find at any other national meeting. Our conference theme **Transformations** is sure to bring lively and timely discussions. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend!

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# AIAMC Job Opening

The AIAMC seeks an Administrative Coordinator to perform various administrative duties which are integral to the day-to-day operation of the organization. The position is designed for telecommuting; thus, the Administrative Coordinator will work from his/her home office. This 0.6 FTE (3 days per week) position allows for autonomy, requires self-motivation, and provides tremendous work-life balance. Duties include:

- Administrative assistance to the Executive Director
- Support the activities of the National Initiatives
- Plan and execute on-site meetings

The ideal candidate will have three years' experience in an academic health care setting, preferably in medical education; the ability to accomplish tasks in an autonomous manner; and exhibit poise and professionalism in all interactions with internal and external stakeholders.

To learn more about this exciting opportunity, please visit <https://aiamc.org/job-board/75>. Interested applicants must submit a cover letter, resume, and references to AIAMC Executive Director Kimberly Pierce Burke no later than August 15<sup>th</sup>.



# Call For Proposals: 2022 Annual Meeting

The *Call for Proposals* for breakout sessions and *Call for Abstracts* for posters will be emailed to all AIAMC members and posted to the *What's New* section on the home page of our website [www.aiamc.org](http://www.aiamc.org) in early August. The 2022 Annual Meeting will be held March 24<sup>th</sup>—26<sup>th</sup> at the Loews New Orleans Hotel.

**Proposals and abstracts are due September 15, 2022.** Submitters will be notified of the committee's selections in October. All accepted presenters are required to register for the conference. **In accordance with AIAMC policy, all registration fees and travel expenses will be the responsibility of the presenter's home institution.** Submitting a proposal and/or abstract is a commitment that, if accepted, all presenters will attend the 2022 Annual Meeting and conduct the session(s) at the time(s) assigned. We encourage you to submit a proposal and/or abstract and look forward to connecting with you at the 2022 Annual Meeting!



Loews New Orleans Hotel

# NEW Webinar Added to 2021 Schedule

The AIAMC is partnering with our colleagues from the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM) and the Assembly of Osteopathic Graduate Medical Educators (AOGME) to bring an exceptional webinar to our respective members. *The Value and Impact of Osteopathic Recognition* will be presented live via Zoom on **Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm Eastern Time** and will last 50 minutes. Presenters will include a program director, academic affairs senior leader, and residents from The Cleveland Clinic. This webinar is free, but pre-registration is required. You may register here:

[https://aacom.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_klOWY-32S2y5s0O4FvwEnA](https://aacom.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_klOWY-32S2y5s0O4FvwEnA)

And, don't forget our regularly-scheduled webinars on the first Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm Eastern Time! To learn more and to register, visit

<https://aiamc.org/event/33>





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## Thank you to our vendor partners!

*If you would like to be a vendor partner with AIAMC, contact Kimberly Pierce Burke, Executive Director, by e-mailing [kimberly@aiamc.org](mailto:kimberly@aiamc.org) or by calling 312.836.3712.*

# Call for 2022 Vendor Partners

2022 Partner Packets will be released in early August. We rely on vendor support and need your help: think about the vendors you use that help your medical education enterprise be more successful.....might these companies be a good fit for the AIAMC Partners Program? 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. Their support is critical to our ongoing ability to develop and present substantive programs with knowledgeable faculty in central and appealing locations. **AIAMC members who refer a new vendor to us that results in a partner contract will receive a FREE 2022 Annual Meeting registration: a savings of \$850!** Contact Kimberly Pierce Burke at [kimberly@aiamc.org](mailto:kimberly@aiamc.org) for more information.

## AIAMC Mission Statement

*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.*

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