

ALLIANCE update

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National Initiative IX Call for Applications

The AIAMC is accepting applications for participation in our National Initiative (NI) IX: *Addressing the Social and Moral Determinants of Health*. Completed [applications](#) are due no later than FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023, and must be emailed in Word format. All applicants will be notified of selection in late June, followed by pre-work this summer and our first meeting in October. Prior to submitting an application, please read the Call for Applications in its entirety here: <https://aiamc.org/news/national-initiative-ix-addressing-the-social-and-moral-determinants-of-health-call-for-applications>

Why Social AND Moral Determinants of Health? While the social determinants of health are widely recognized, we believe that — as caregivers or those training caregivers — it is our moral obligation to take action. The moral determinants of health are about investing in actual human well-being, not just in the “repairs shops” such as medical centers and emergency services, as noted by Donald Berwick, MD, MPP, President Emeritus, Institute for Healthcare. As Dr. Berwick shared with us at the close of our March Nashville meetings, *“While most leaders in the US healthcare system acknowledge the importance of social and moral determinants of health, few organizations to date have moved beyond recognition into serious action at scale. I am delighted that the AIAMC has chosen to address these critical issues, for the benefit of the people we all serve. I will be here to wholeheartedly support your work along the way, and I look forward to celebrating your accomplishments at a two-year milestone ahead. We know that this is the beginning of a long-term effort...indeed, it will take decades. But we need pioneers to lead us, with courage, boldness, and passion. Thank you, AIAMC, for being such a pace-setter!”* NI-IX focuses on doing the “right thing” within your scope of influence to address human well-being. Is that climate change? The Criminal Justice system? Immigration? Hunger and homelessness? Voting? Action in any of these areas invests in human well-being and through our collective efforts in NI IX, momentum and impact. Please join us by making a difference by creating an expanded identity for physicians to include system citizenship as part of professionalism!



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.

Newsweek Names Best Workplaces for Women

Sixty hospitals and health systems, including nine AIAMC members, were recently named as the greatest workplaces for women. Congratulations to [Advocate Aurora Health](#), [Baylor Scott & White](#), [HealthPartners](#), [HonorHealth](#), [Miami Valley Hospital](#), [NYU Langone](#), [OhioHealth](#), [TriHealth](#), and [WellSpan Health](#).....and to the women employed by these exemplar institutions!



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March Meetings Were Memorable

The AIAMC 2023 Annual Meeting and National Initiative VIII Meeting Four were held March 23rd—25th at the Loews Vanderbilt Hotel in Nashville. 115 AIAMC members and friends gathered and enjoyed excellent plenary sessions, meaningful breakout workshops, and exceptional networking. NI VIII teams presented capstone presentations in their cohort groups, and all teams were recognized at the awards dinner held March 24th. We hope you enjoy these photos of some of those honored:



2023 Innovation Award Winners
Aurora Health Care



2023 Weinberg Award Winner
David Kountz, MD, MBA, MACP



Heather Sankey, MD, AIAMC President,
with Outgoing Board Director Hania Janek, PhD



AIAMC Board of Directors



Kimberly Pierce Burke, AIAMC Executive Director,
and 2023 Annual Meeting Vice Chair Gillian Abshire



NI VIII Co-Chairs Drs. Ginny Mohl and David Kountz
With Members of CIAQ (Committee on the
Integration of Academics and Quality)

Written Comments on the
Evaluation Forms:

I really enjoy the AIAMC conference set up. It has the right amount of sessions and then threading in the National Initiative work, the incredible work of these institutions and programs, is extremely valuable.

(I) thoroughly enjoyed all sessions attended. The plenary sessions were exceptional!

I feel like many of the projects featured at this conference will lead to meaningful changes in communities.

Everyone was very welcoming, and I learned a lot from other programs about JEDI.

Welcome New Member

The Alliance warmly welcomes **Miami Valley Hospital** to our membership. Located in Dayton, Ohio, Miami Valley is a part of Premier Health. They sponsor nine ACGME-accredited residency programs representing 347 residents and are affiliated with the Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine. WELCOME!

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partners!***

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

Register Now for June Program

The AIAMC and AACOM (American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine) will co-sponsor a virtual half-day program on Tuesday, June 13th from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm EDT entitled *Articulating the Value of Community-Based Education and Healthcare*. Leah Gasset, Partner, ECG Management Consultants, will be the featured speaker, and breakout groups will ensure quality networking time. A key takeaway of the webinar will be to develop an “elevator pitch”/value proposition that succinctly and accurately reflects the value of community-based education. There is no charge to attend, but pre-registration is required. To learn more and to register, please visit [AACOM-AIAMC Webinar | AIAMC](#) or go to our homepage and click on Events.



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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