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UC College of Medicine Newsletter

## A Message from Dean Andrew T. Filak, Jr., MD

Dear Alumni:

As the world faces the current coronavirus pandemic, the College of Medicine continues to function, although in ways much different than we ever anticipated. Our students have moved to remote learning, and we have halted our clinical rotations to preserve PPE. We unfortunately had to cancel our Match Day festivities, although our M4 students privately celebrated a wonderfully successful match. Honors Day too has fallen victim to the coronavirus, but we will hold a virtual ceremony to honor our graduates at 10 a.m., Saturday, May 23, 2020. I hope you can [join us for the live-stream or watch the recording](#) to celebrate their graduation.

Our faculty, staff and students have shown remarkable resilience, flexibility and compassion during this crisis. They have stepped up to the challenge in extraordinary ways to help their patients, the community and each other, as I know all of our alumni also have. Thank you for your efforts during this unprecedented time. I hope you and your families are well.

Sincerely,



*Andrew T. Filak, Jr.*

Andrew T. Filak, Jr. MD  
Senior Vice President for Health Affairs  
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## College of Medicine receives eight-year accreditation

The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) has granted the College of Medicine's educational program leading to the MD degree an eight-year term of accreditation.

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## College of Medicine 2020 Distinguished Alumni

Reunion 2020, scheduled for April 2-4, was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While we are not able to be together at this time to celebrate these classes, we would like to share the news of the outstanding individuals selected as the College of Medicine's 2020 Distinguished Alumni!

Congratulations to: (left to right)

- Lane Donnelly, MD '90
- Cornelius Hopper, MD '60
- Warren Webster, MD '70

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## Match Day 2020 very different from the past, but still 'memorable'

The COVID-19 pandemic caused the cancellation of the College of Medicine's traditional high-energy Match Day celebration, but it could not dampen student excitement of matching to residency programs around the country.

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## College of Medicine hosts inaugural scholarship luncheon

The College of Medicine hosted the first annual College of Medicine Scholarship Luncheon. This inaugural event was inspired by the generosity of our donors and benefactors who so graciously give year after year to support the students who are being shaped into the leaders of tomorrow here, in Cincinnati.

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## Give a white coat to a College of Medicine student

*"I committed to sponsorship of a student for the white coat ceremony to celebrate new beginnings in this profession with such historic roots. I remember how pivotal the day was for me when I received my white coat and how it set the frame for my commitment to this honorable vocation. I felt the sponsorship would be a symbolic way to stand and welcome my new colleagues as they start their journey."*

Heather Dlugosz, MD

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## UC medical students assist seniors amidst COVID-19

New student-driven program allows volunteers to pick up groceries and prescriptions for seniors.

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## Share your story with us!

We are working to build a "Class Notes" section in our e-newsletter and would love to hear from you. You've all had a chance to travel life's path in different ways, with stories to tell, milestones to share, and professional accomplishments to be proud of. The College of Medicine Class Notes are the perfect vehicle to let all your classmates know what's new with you.

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## Also of note....

- [Worldwide media look to UC experts on coronavirus](#)
- [UC researcher creates app to turn iPad into picture frame, connecting senior citizens with families](#)
- [UC grad's company offers new COVID-19 test](#)



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Help UC students and UC Health clinicians by supporting our COVID-19 emergency efforts.

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