



A Message from Dean Filak

Dear College of Medicine Alumni,

The College of Medicine takes great pride in the exceptional medical education it offers its students. One of the most frequent comments we hear from alumni is their appreciation for how well prepared they felt for clinical care following graduation. While that's always satisfying to hear, we know we must continually work to improve our medical education experience. To accomplish that, we are now actively working on a significant revitalization of our medical curriculum.

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UC Health Welcomes New CEO and President Cory Shaw

UC Health welcomed Cory Shaw as the organization's new president and chief executive officer on Jan. 9. Shaw comes from Nebraska Medicine, where he most recently served as executive vice president, chief operating officer with accountability for all health care operations of the \$2.2 billion academic health system with three clinical campuses, more than 60 ambulatory clinic locations, and an 800-plus-member medical group affiliated with University of Nebraska College of Medicine.

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Buffalo Bills Player Damar Hamlin Treated at UCMC

Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin collapsed moments after making a tackle early in a Jan. 2 game against the Cincinnati Bengals at Paycor Stadium. His care team at the UC Medical Center included **William Knight IV, MD, '03**, professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine, and **Timothy Pritts, MD, PhD, '01**, professor in the Department of Surgery.

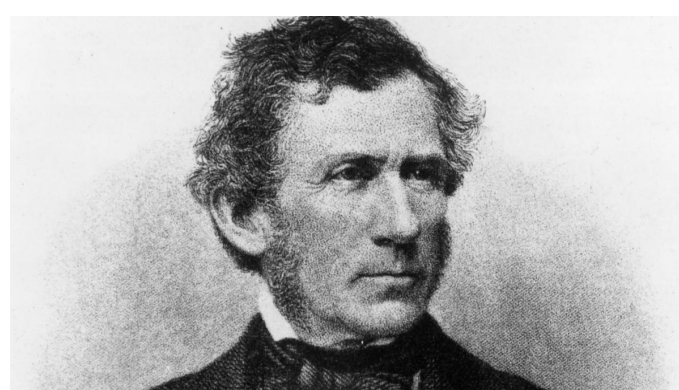
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Do You Know Outstanding Alumni?

The UC College of Medicine and the UC Alumni Association annually recognize distinguished alumni for their exceptional leadership and accomplishments. Nominations for the 2023 distinguished alumni awards are currently being accepted for **MD graduates from class years ending in 3 and 8** who are celebrating Reunion.

[NOMINATE](#)



2022 Drake Medalists

University of Cincinnati College of Medicine faculty members Melanie T. Cushion, PhD; senior associate dean for research, Michael K. Farrell, MD, professor in the Department of Pediatrics' and Bruce F. Giffin, PhD, associate dean for medical education, have been named 2022 recipients of Daniel Drake Medals.

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Learn About DEI Efforts at the College

Join Dr. Lou Edje and Dr. Michael Thomas to discover how the UC College of Medicine is prioritizing diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. Learn about the focus on health equity and institutional leadership opportunities and hear how alumni can support this important work. Submit your questions for our speakers in the registration form.

College of Medicine DEI Town Hall
Wednesday, Feb. 22
12:15 - 1 p.m.
Zoom Virtual Event

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Around the College

College News & Research Highlights

- Congratulations to our newest Bachelor's, Master's and Doctoral alumni! The college awarded **110 degrees in August** and **39 degrees in December**.
- The Office of Graduate Education produced three videos to support recruitment efforts: "[Why Cincinnati](#)," "[Dr. Brittany Allison and Supporting Our Minority Students](#)," and "[Graduate Student Research and Support at the College of Medicine](#)."
- The College of Medicine and UC Physicians have launched the "[Indispensable](#)" campaign to heighten awareness of the impact of the college.
- Doximity [ranks the Emergency Medicine and Medicine/Pediatrics residency programs third in the country](#) for clinical experience for their specialties.
- Physics World [recognizes the University of Cincinnati and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center's FAST-01 study](#) as one of its Top 10 Breakthroughs of the Year for 2022.
- New research out of UC shows that [a course of hepatitis B vaccine provides some protection for people with HIV](#).

Alumni

- **Dr. Michelle Krause '96** to [lead the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Health System & Hospital](#).
- Congratulations to **Dr. Chris Bolling '87** on his retirement from Pediatric Associates, PSC.
- **Dr. Frank Ross '85** was promoted to Clinical Professor in the Department of Surgery at NYU Grossman School of Medicine.
- **Dr. Sean Lyden '93** [assumes the role of Chief Medical Consultant for VESTECK, Inc. and joins the VESTECK Scientific Advisory Board](#).
- **Dr. Eric Vansonnenberg '73** participated in the Annual Medical Student Radiology Symposium this fall alongside current UC students and fellow UC alumni.
- **Dr. Timothy Peterson, MD '04** is the [new Chief Medical Officer for Henry Ford Allegiance Medical Group](#).
- **David Shapiro, MD '82** is the new board chair for the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Healthcare Board of Directors.
- **Bruce Smoller, MD '83** received the [College of American Pathologists Lifetime Achievement Award](#).
- **Greg Sazima, MD '87** has been awarded the Gold Prize in the Mind/Body/Spirit category of the Foreword/Indies 2021 Book Awards for his 2021 book, "[Practice Mindfulness: A Physician's No-Nonsense Guide to Meditation for Beginners](#)."

Faculty

- Assistant Professor Eva Mistry, MBBS, MSCI leads a [study examining stroke treatment for people with disabilities](#).
- Associate Professor Sarah Pickle, MD talks about a [new UC fellowship that aims to help future doctors become experts in transgender and LGBTQ+ medicine](#).

In Memoriam

- **Jack Gluckman, MD**, former chair of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery and a Daniel Drake medalist, [died Sept. 7](#).
- **Sid Khosla, MD**, Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, [died Dec. 13](#).
- **Jonathan D. Rosenthal, MD '65** passed away on Nov. 17. The College extends sympathies to his family and alumni in the class of 1965.
- **Steven Seifert, MD '76** [passed away last summer](#). Frederick Kaskel, MD '75 shares, "We became close friends from the start and shared many wonderful experiences together, including my introducing him to Sandy whom he married. What I dearly miss at this time of year is the intimate and touching seasonal letter that Steve sent to his vast array of friends all over the world to let everyone know how his loved ones were doing. His optimistic wishes for the new year were seminal to his essence as a unique human being, mentor, friend and visionary in his field of Toxicology."



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Your Medicine Alumni Connection

BRI COGGINS '10, '20

Enjoys Bearcats football and basketball, all things chocolate, and spends time with her husband and 2 daughters.



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A forward-thinking series on health & wellness by the UC Alumni Association.

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