

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

Resident and Fellow of the Month: May 2021



Sara Zalcgendler, MD

Resident (PGY2), Internal Medicine
Mount Sinai Morningside and West

Service to their patients and/or families: "Sara has been working tirelessly throughout the pandemic and maintained her bright, positive nature. She's spent her vacation time volunteering for the hospital's palliative care service to help alleviate both attendings and her peers of the burden of relentless Goals of Care discussions with families of COVID patients. In addition to supporting her colleagues, she's been of service to patients and their families. She is genuinely empathic and caring, and doubtlessly has comforted families through difficult decisions. Even while sacrificing her personal time, she's maintained an exemplary attitude, always being an uplifting presence to those around her. Many times throughout the year, I've felt exhausted or deflated, and simply talking to Sara for 5 minutes has renewed my energy. Our residency program, colleagues and patients are lucky to have Sara on their team."



Solomon Bienstock, MD

Fellow (PGY4), Cardiovascular Disease
Mount Sinai Hospital

Educational efforts or scholarly performance: "As a mentor, he inspires and pushes us to be the best physician and clinical researcher that we can be. Yet, he is considerate to our time and our wellbeing. He has taken a personal interest in the medical residents, helping us with our own cardiology fellowship applications, reading over our personal statements and applications. He has also volunteered his time in the education of medical students. He has led small group sessions and didactics on heart failure, clinical arrhythmias, and acute coronary syndromes as part of the medical school's Cardiovascular Course. He has also shown dedication to the education of the larger Harlem community via the Mount Sinai Lloyd Sherman Scholars, a program for high school-aged students underrepresented in medicine that offers classroom and laboratory training. In addition to directly mentoring and educating residents and medical students, he established a peer mentorship group, Residents of Sinai for Cardiology, that provides guidance and opportunities for residents interested in Cardiology. Now in its third year, this group boosts more than 40 medicine residents, connecting each resident with a cardiology faculty member and extends its mentorship to the medical school."

Resident and Fellow Peer Nominees for May

Miryam Alkayyali, MBCh

MSBI Neurology

Nikki Burish, MD

MSH Gender Affirmation Surgery

Matthew Carr, MD

MSH Neurological Surgery

Vivian Chan, MD

MSMW Psychiatry

Yu-Rei Chang, MD

MSMW Diagnostic Radiology

Eleni Drivas, MD

MSMW Surgery

Adiac Espinosa Hernandez, MD

MSH Pulmonary and Critical Care

Brianna Evans, MD

MSH Pediatrics

Naveen Galla, MD

MSMW Diagnostic Radiology

Michael Hadley, MD

MSH Cardiovascular Disease

Brian Huang, MD

MSBI Psychiatry

Rishi Kalra, DO

MSMW Diagnostic Radiology

Brian Kim, MD

MSH Vascular Neurology

Elizabeth Kolod, MD

MSH Preventive Medicine

Grace Kong, MD

MSH Pediatric Cardiology

Joshua Lampert, MD

MSH Cardiovascular Disease

Aurora Leibold, MD

MSMW Obstetrics and Gynecology

Yuying Luo, MD

MSH Gastroenterology

Jocelyn Mendes, MD

MSMW Internal Medicine

Kate Pawloski, MD

MSH Preventive Medicine/Surgery

Jacqueline Rozov, MD

MSMW Obstetrics and Gynecology

Jihan Ryu, MD

MSMW Psychiatry

Emily Schorr, MD

MSH Neurology

Michelle Shah, DO

MSBI Internal Medicine

Parul Shanker, MD

MSBI Psychiatry

Evan Shapiro, MD

MSH Emergency Ultrasound

Ethan Sobol, MD

MSH Ophthalmology

Erick Sun, MD

MSH Thoracic Surgery-Integ

Hiroki Ueyama, MD

MSBI Internal Medicine

Bella Wolf, MD

NYEEMS Ophthalmology