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**Congratulations to the
Diagnostic Radiology
residency program on a
successful ACGME Site Visit!**



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Jessica Martin, MD, MSHA
Senior Vice President of Medical Education
Designated Institutional Official

Congratulations

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY

We are proud to announce that the **DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY** residency program recently underwent a **successful ACGME site visit** on August 2, 2024. **Dr. Samuel Serna**, Program Director, **Debra Gomez**, Program Coordinator, faculty and residents worked diligently with the Graduate Medical Education office to prepare for the site visit. *As a sponsoring institution, we couldn't be prouder of this achievement, which is a testament to the exceptional quality of education and training provided by our institution.* We are excited to continue supporting and nurturing the growth of our residents and programs. The collaboration between the Diagnostic Radiology Residency Program and the Graduate Medical Education office was exceptional.

"Teamwork Makes the Dream Work!"



Great Job!



EMERGENCY MEDICINE



The **EMERGENCY MEDICINE** residency program participated in the **DHR Health Brush Country Medicine and Survival Conference!** This conference was designed to educate and enlighten the medical community, first responders, and the general public about potential injuries a person could face while hunting, fishing, or enjoying the outdoors in South Texas and to treat the medical emergency immediately while they reach a medical facility.

In this engaging demonstration, **Associated Program Director, Dr. Akala**, and resident **Dr. Hakim, PGY-1**, creatively reenact a potential arrow injury to the head. *This hands-on approach not only enhances our residents' learning experience but also emphasizes the importance of practical skills in emergency medicine.*

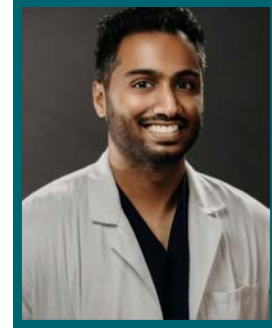
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GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

The **FAMILY MEDICINE** residency program is excited to announce the addition of its *new Precepting Room* conveniently located within the GME/FM Clinic! *The precepting room is utilized to enhance the learning experience for our residents and provide a collaborative space for mentorship and training.* We believe this addition will significantly enrich our educational environment and support our commitment to excellence in Family Medicine.



FAMILY MEDICINE



Congratulations go out to **Dr. Gogu, FM Core Faculty**, who was announced the **65th president of the Texas American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians**. This prestigious role is a testament to Dr. Gogu's dedication, leadership, and commitment to advancing the field of osteopathic family medicine. *We are proud to have such an esteemed professional representing our family medicine program and advocating for the future of healthcare in Texas.*

On August 28, 2024, the **GENERAL SURGERY** residency program proudly collaborated with **Driscoll Children's Hospital Rio Grande Valley (DCH RGV)** to enhance the educational experience of our general surgery residents. The residents participated in a valuable didactic session titled **"Communicating with HEART,"** designed to establish compassionate communication patients & caregivers, along with discovering effective ways to manage difficult interactions.

GENERAL SURGERY

We are grateful to Dr. Ana Almeda, Chief Medical Officer at Driscoll Children's Hospital RGV for their partnership and look forward to future opportunities to work together in advancing the education of the DHR Health residents.



The session was led by **esteemed leaders from the Driscoll Health System**, including Director, **Dr. Jon Roberts**, Chief Medical Officer, **Dr. Ana Almeda** and Director of Sports Medicine, **Dr. Scott Kleppe**. Their expertise and insights provided our residents with practical tools and strategies to enhance their communication techniques, ensuring they can deliver care with empathy and understanding.

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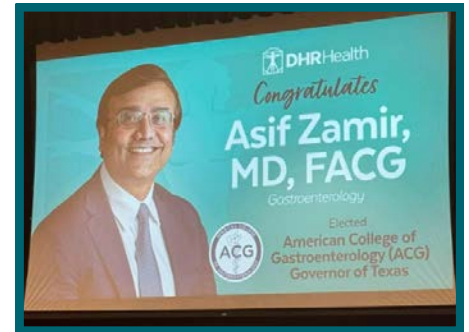
GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

Congratulations!



The **INTERNAL MEDICINE** residency program is proud to announce that **Dr. Bakie, PGY-3 Chief Resident**, has **matched** into the **Neuro Critical Care Fellowship at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine**. This is a significant achievement, reflecting your dedication and commitment to the field. *We wish you continued success in your future endeavors!*

INTERNAL MEDICINE



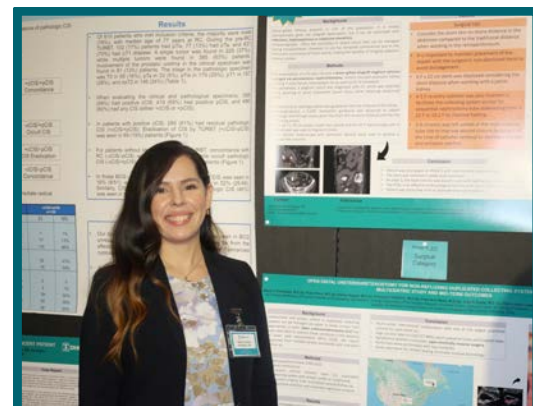
Congratulations to **Dr. Asif Zamir**, a distinguished member of the Internal Medicine faculty, who has been elected as the **American College of Gastroenterology (ACG) Governor of Texas**. This prestigious appointment is a testament to Dr. Zamir's dedication, expertise, and leadership in the field of Gastroenterology.



The **UROLOGY** residency program is proud to announce that **Dr. Maria Veronica Rodriguez Padron, PGY-5**, has been accepted for publication in the **Journal of Pediatric Urology** for her paper titled **"Open Distal Ureteroureterostomy for Non-Refluxing Duplicated Collecting System in Children: Multicentric Study and Mid-term Outcomes."** We are so incredibly proud of her continued devotion and success in scholarly research.

Bravo! 🎉

Dr. Manuel De Jesus, PGY-3, has had an exceptional month, attending two prominent conferences. He participated in the **2024 Collaborative Urology Research Symposium (CUREs) at Houston Methodist**, where leaders and researchers in Urology gathered to share their latest advancements. Dr. De Jesus also attended the **2024 SUFU conference in Chicago**, a key event for residents focusing on **Female Pelvic Medicine & Urogenital Reconstruction**. This two-day course provided invaluable education and highlighted the evolving opportunities within the specialty. We extend our gratitude to the GME department for their support, which allows our residents to continue growing, learning, and connecting within their field.



FELLOWSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

The **BARIATRIC FELLOWSHIP** faculty is pleased to announce that as of August 1, 2024, **Dr. Maya Paige**, has joined the *Bariatric Fellowship Team*. Dr. Paige graduated from *Baylor University with a Bachelor of Science in Biology*. She attended *Georgetown University School of Medicine* and completed her medical degree there. Dr. Paige then completed her *surgery residency* at *MedStar Health Georgetown/Washington Hospital Center*.

Dr. Paige is DHR Health's first fellow in the Bariatric Fellowship Program. We know she is going to do an amazing job.

The *DHR Health Bariatric and Metabolic Institute* is a comprehensive program aimed to provide patients with *world-class care and personalized attention aimed towards weight loss*. The institute offers proven and effective surgical techniques for treating obesity and its related complications using a team approach dedicated to providing the best pre-operative and post-operative care for every patient.

Welcome

The **SURGICAL CRITICAL CARE FELLOWSHIP** is excited to announce that on August 1st, 2024, **Dr. Gabriel Toma** joined the *Surgical Critical Care fellowship* team, becoming the *second fellow in our program's history*. As we dive into the new academic year, *Dr. Toma has already made a remarkable impression, quickly integrating into our team and proving to be an invaluable asset*. We look forward to a year filled with growth and success with him on board.



BARIATRICS



SURGICAL CRITICAL CARE



INSTITUTION HIGHLIGHTS

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

18th Annual “Fishing for Hope” Tournament

We are thrilled to announce that the DHR Health community raised an impressive **\$450,000** at the **18th Annual DHR Health Fishing for Hope Tournament**, all in support of the Hope Family Health Center (HFHC). **A special shoutout goes to our GME team, who played a vital role in this effort by raising a remarkable \$2,020!** We extend our heartfelt gratitude to **program coordinators Debra Gomez** and **Liza Garcia** for their leadership and dedication in organizing this fundraiser within the GME office.

HFHC provides **free health services** in an open and accepting atmosphere to Rio Grande Valley community members who are without access to health care or medical insurance. Our GME residency programs have greatly valued the opportunity to send residents to the Hope clinic, where they have witnessed firsthand the growth and impact of serving our underserved community.

FISHING FOR HOPE



Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped make this fundraiser a resounding success for HFHC.

Together, we are making a difference!

Thank You

Faculty Highlight!

Big News for Urology!
Dr. Olgin reeled in **1st Place** at the Fishing for Hope tournament this past weekend and brought the trophy home! Urology’s got bragging rights—let’s give a big cheer for our champion angler!



Family Medicine Program Director, **Dr. Naomi D’Acolatse**, and her dedicated team showcase their teamwork and catch of the day!

INSTITUTION HIGHLIGHTS

GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION

Upcoming GME Grand Rounds



Graduate Medical Education Grand Rounds

GME Grand Rounds Wednesday's Noon
Main Hospital, Resident Conference Room, 2nd Floor

September 2024



QI/PS

E/M Documentation Best Practices

Joy Wells

DHR Corporate Compliance

September 4, 2024



Research

Breaking Barriers: Advancing Health Equity

Guillermo Duran Jr., MD

Lead Clinical Research Coordinator

DHR Health Center of Excellence for Research in Liver Diseases

September 11, 2024



Substance Use Disorder

Opioid Pharmacology

Rene Verduzco Pharm, BCPS

Clinical Assistant Professor in Pharmacy Practice, Texas A&M

Rangel School of Pharmacy Program Director, DHR Health

PGY1 Track A Residency Program

September 18, 2024



QI/PS

Medical Ethics

Vanesa Vale Saenz

Vice President

DHR Health Behavioral Health Services

September 25, 2024



GME Announcement Board

Upcoming Events



NEW UPDATE

Please scan the new QR code to request updates to your residency program webpages!

We encourage you to utilize this new feature to ensure that your program information remains current and accurate.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to Monica Gonzalez, GME Institutional Coordinator (956-551-1661).



SIMSATURDAY POCUS

GME Lecture Hall
1000 E. Dove Ave McAllen, TX

OCTOBER 19, 2024
9:00AM-12:00PM

Please RSVP to Monica
m.gonzalez04@dhr-rgv.com

BEER AROUND THE WORLD

OCTOBER 18, 2024

INCLUDES:
 OFFICIAL MUG | TEN (10) ADULT DRINKS
 UNLIMITED TASTINGS | 10 TOP RESTAURANTS
ENTRANCE TO FIESTA DE PALMAS INCLUDED WITH TICKET PURCHASE*
 TABLE SEATING FOR 10
 BUSINESS NAME ON TABLE
 MCALLEN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER LAWN
 PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT

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Family Health Center