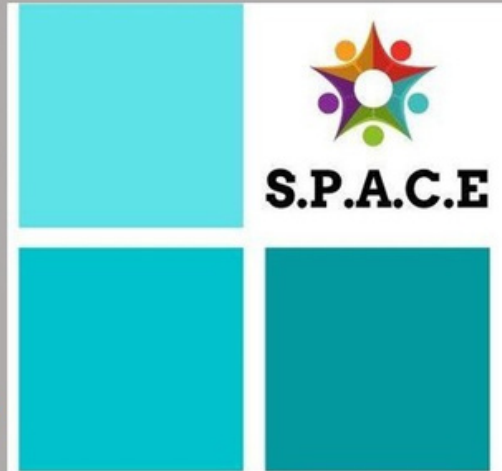




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Creating S.P.A.C.E

Staff Professionals Across the Continuum of Education

THANK YOU FROM SPACE!

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Happy New Year, SPACE! In year two of SPACE, we are so excited about what we have in store for this year! Coming off a very successful Staff Track Virtual Conference event, we are more motivated and inspired to bring you more in 2025! Our SPACE national and regional leaders are working hard to create opportunities for our members in the upcoming year! We have heard your feedback and plan to deliver more opportunities to engage, network, and grow with you!

I also want to thank our AWESOME Staff Track planning committee, led by Yasmain Rice-Greene! We appreciate your dedication and leadership in creating a tremendous virtual conference experience. We hope to see everyone back in 2025!

We are excited for upcoming events and future of SPACE! Check out the stories below and let us know how you would like to be involved! As always, thank you for your invaluable support and for being an integral part of this vibrant community.

Tyrese Hinkins-Jones, EdS, MEd

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STAFF TRACK 2024 POSTER WINNERS

YASMAIN RICE-GREEN

Congratulations to our poster winners from Staff Track 2024! SPACE will host a learning session on **Wednesday, April 23rd at 9:00 am EST.** for the winners to present their posters. Please see the topics below:

An Inclusive Approach to Professional Development: Supporting both Faculty and Staff as members of the Fine Family Academy of Educators

Author:

Rebecca Brocus, MS, Professional Development Specialist, Eastern Virginia Medical School

Beyond Numbers: Utilizing Qualitative Methods in Medical Education

Author

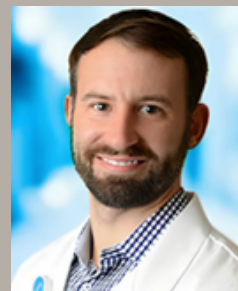
Ashley B. Metelus, M.Ed, Assistant Director, Evaluation, USF Health Morsani College of Medicine

Outsider Looking In: The Critical Importance of the Non-clinician Educator within Regional Campus Leadership Teams

Authors:

- Devon Bremer EdD, Director of Clinical Education Administration, Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine at Geisinger College of Health Sciences
- Mark F. Olaf, DO, Regional Associate Dean-Central Campus; Vice Chair of Emergency Medicine, Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine at Geisinger College of Health Sciences

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SPACE OPEN POSITIONS

OPEN POSITION

National: Marketing and Communications Chair

Responsible for marketing and communications support for SPACE, including website, newsletter, social media, work with membership on recruitment, promote "staff track" at conferences and other events.

If interested, please submit your application here: **[SPACE National Position Application](#)**

Please contact Tyrese Hinkins-Jones at thinkin@emory.edu for more information.

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WORK ON 2025 SPACE PRIORITIES UNDERWAY

DEB BIRNBAUM

Following a year of collecting feedback, SPACE national leadership has been working on a series of priorities for 2025. Here's an update.

1. Host Staff Track 2025 virtual conference: SPACE is committed to hosting an annual virtual conference that's available to as many staff professionals as are interested. Led by a team of talented volunteers, work is well underway for this year's virtual staff conference that will be held in September 2025. The date, theme and call for proposals will be shared in the near future.
2. With AAMC and Group on Educational Affairs colleagues, explore offering "staff tracks" at AAMC regional conferences. This year, we're sharing staff-relevant sessions at 2025 regional conferences on the SPACE website. Click [HERE](#) to review.
 - Each region recruits a staff track planning committee. The SPACE regional representative serves as point person to regional conference
3. Hold 2 professional development sessions:
 - A webinar with presentations by Staff Track 2024 poster winners
 - A webinar on how to talk with your boss about professional development, get budget, demonstrate value of attending conferences, etc. (a topic of great interest, despite budget pressures)
4. Create an award and/or scholarship to recognize staff who present at regional conferences and/or AAMC Learn Serve Lead
5. Promote and build membership
6. Continue to publish SPACE e-newsletter

Please contact Deb Birnbaum for any questions at debbirn@iu.edu

SURVEY FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL STAFF NOW OPEN

BRIAN HERMAN

Medical school professional staff at AAMC institutions can now complete a nine-question survey regarding your work experience as a medical school staff member using the QR code below or this link:

https://stanfordmedicine.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_86V22n08sF9pK0m

We hope to use the data collected via this survey to develop improved strategies for infrastructure support, to discover the intrinsic rewards for staff who stay in the medical education field, and to better understand effective support for professional development and scholarship.

This survey is voluntary. Additional information about participation may be found in the research information sheet that can be found at [HERE](#). Our protocol director, Daniel Bernstein, and staff lead, Brian Herman, are available to answer any additional questions about participation at danbestanford.edu and bherman8@stanford.edu.



STAFF LEARNING AVAILABLE AT REGIONAL CONFERENCES

SPACE

It's medical education conference season! From now through mid-May, the AAMC regions will host annual conferences. The following are some sessions that might be of interest to different staff professionals attending the Central, Northeast and Southern conferences. The Western region schedule wasn't available as of this publication.



Click [HERE](#) to see all the staff sessions by region.

S.P.A.C.E. Virtual Community



Connect with your colleagues from around the country to exchange best practices, learn from other's experiences and innovate together!

Join AAMC's Virtual Community, it's simple! If you don't already have an account, you can quickly register and join our online community. Our group is working on a schedule of regular posts to help engage you in discussion- come join us! If you've already connected with us on that platform, consider encouraging colleagues in your networks to join as well.

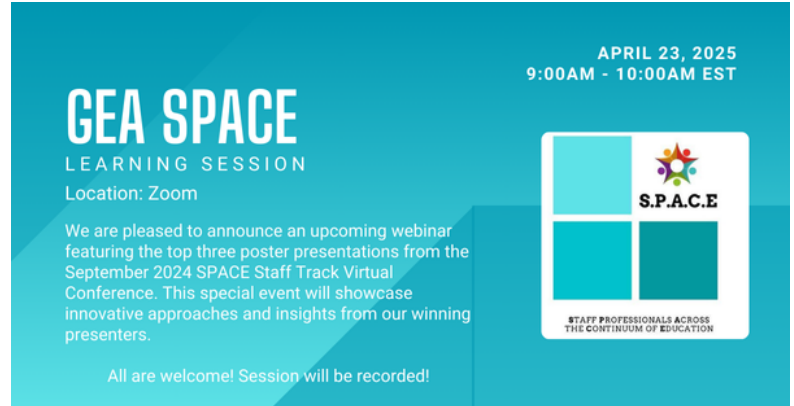
Click [HERE](#) to learn more about all the AAMC communities and how to get started.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

GEA/GSA/OSR Collaborative Regional Conference Dates:

<u>Central</u> Detroit, MI April 9-11	<u>Southern</u> Miami, FL April 28-30
<u>Northeastern</u> New Brunswick, NJ April 9-11	<u>Western</u> Portland, OR May 2-5

Lunch and Learn: Poster Winner Session



APRIL 23, 2025
9:00AM - 10:00AM EST

GEA SPACE

LEARNING SESSION
Location: Zoom

We are pleased to announce an upcoming webinar featuring the top three poster presentations from the September 2024 SPACE Staff Track Virtual Conference. This special event will showcase innovative approaches and insights from our winning presenters.

All are welcome! Session will be recorded!

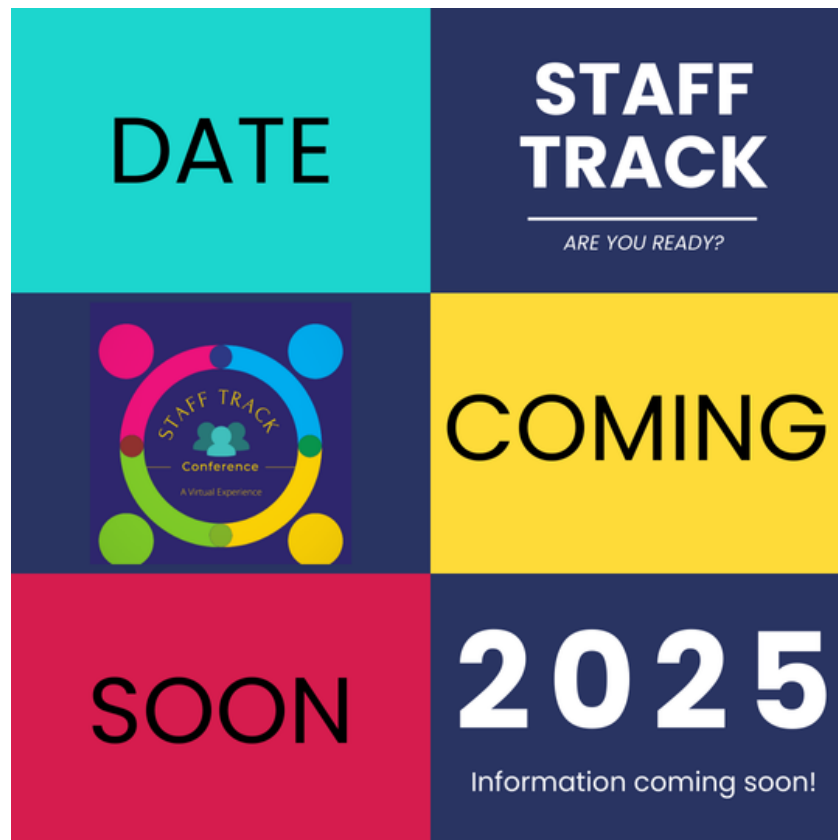
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