



Faculty Development, Engagement & Wellbeing Newsletter Winter 2025

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Belated Happy New Year everyone! Welcome to our quarterly newsletter- lots to celebrate in this new year at BWH!

Kristin, Tara, and the Faculty Development Team

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Faculty Development Website

Brigham and Women's Hospital
 Faculty Development
 Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative and Pain Medicine

Faculty Development Program
 Our primary goal is to actively support the academic development of individuals in the Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative, and Pain Medicine at BWH, and thereby to promote their professional fulfillment and general wellbeing.

Our department, by the numbers: 141 18 101 33

A message from the Vice Chair and Associate Vice Chair for Faculty Development:
 The BWH Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative and Pain Medicine consists of a happy well-ranging and diverse set of talented clinicians, educators, and researchers. We want to share some of the credit we have for the numerous accomplishments of the folks who work in our department. We celebrate the many...

The Faculty Development team is incredibly excited to announce our new website is now live. On it you can find:

- Faculty Directory
- Faculty Development and Wellbeing Resources
- Wellbeing initiatives
- Information on promotions, career conferences, education opportunities, and more
- All of our archived newsletters
- Highlights of recent promotions, accomplishments and new faculty
- Grand Rounds calendar and information
- And More

Please feel free to take a look and take advantage of the resources we have compiled!

Please also send us your feedback! We are always improving and would love an opportunity to make it even better.

You can visit the website by using the URL below.

The URL: <https://anesfacdev.brighamandwomens.org/>

POCUS Group



POCUS Faculty Development Group

We would like to start with a huge Congrats to those who have successfully become credentialed in POCUS! Please help us congratulate and celebrate them!

Dr. Cameron Bosinski
Dr. Megan Hunt
Dr. Karyn Barrett

Are you interested in getting POCUS credentialed?
Have you been selected as the POCUS champion for your division?
Are you interested in POCUS related research and need to know what resources are available?
Do you just really like looking at blurry black and white pictures? (me too!)

Then join the POCUS faculty development group! The group will plan to meet quarterly and please contact Adam Greenberg for more information or to sign up! The 'BWH Anes POCUS' Teams Channel to make POCUS training, credentialing and clinical information readily accessible to everyone in the department.

[Click Here](#) for the Link to the POCUS Teams Channel. We would like to particularly draw your attention to the gastric ultrasound resources page. You will find information about how to perform a gastric ultrasound as well as how to order a gastric ultrasound if you know that your patient for tomorrow will need a full stomach assessment. We plan to hold a Wednesday morning session to go through hands-on gastric ultrasound with any interested faculty members at the end on June 2025.

The MGB Tuition assistance program that will reimburse faculty and trainees for purchasing the ASA POCUS certification course: Tuition Assistance.

That's all for now, but we will be in touch soon! Please email with any questions/ comments or concerns.

Best, Louisa, Josh and Elizabeth

Welcome to New Faculty

The Faculty Development team would like to welcome and spotlight some of the new faculty joining us.



Dr. Kenny Chen
Faculty Start Date: 12/01/2024

Residency Training Program:
Brigham and Women's Hospital, Anesthesiology

Fellowship Training Program:
Brigham and Women's Hospital, Pain Medicine

Fun Fact: "I'd always wanted an anatomically correct sleeve tattoo depicting strands of high-def myofibers. It'll remain a dream because 1) ill-defined muscle groups, and 2) consistent with the general population,

I too, have a very "high pain tolerance". As a professional Swiftie, I know most of her lyrics... all too well. "



Dr. Shakthi Venkatachal
Faculty Start Date: 1/5/2025

Residency Training Program:
JSS Medical College and Hospital, Mysore, India,
Anesthesiology

Fellowship Training Program:
Brigham and Women's Hospital, Obstetric Anesthesia

Brigham and Women's Hospital, Perioperative
Medicine and Ambulatory Anesthesia

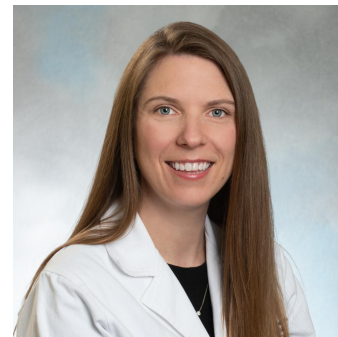
Fun Fact: "I'm a huge Game of Thrones fan, and I've rewatched the entire series a few times. If there's ever a trivia night about the Seven Kingdoms, I'm your go-to!"

More new faculty features coming your way soon!

Faculty Promotions

We have been working to develop a robust system to facilitate the sometimes difficult and long path to promotion. We have a lot of amazing people in our department and want to help them be officially recognized with advancement through the system. Please join us in congratulating everyone promoted for their hard work and dedication!

Dr. Tara Carey
Promoted to Assistant Professor



Questions about what the academic promotion tracks are, what is typical for a given level, and want to ask questions about when you might be ready for your own promotion? Please reach out to Kristin (klschreiber@bwh.harvard.edu) or indicate it on your career conference form.

Ask Kim About Promotions

Questions about logistics of the promotions process? Please contact Kim Katz for answers regarding the first steps, required paperwork and letters. She is on L1 in office L142 at the end of the Anesthesia hallway and is happy to give you an overview of the process. Stop by or email Kim at KKATZ1@PARTNERS.ORG.

New Faculty Development Program



The New Faculty Development Program is entering its 6th year!

The New Faculty Group is comprised of faculty in their first two years in our department and meets monthly. The purpose of this group and the program is threefold:

- (1) to provide an opportunity to gather with other new faculty to discuss challenges associated with transitioning to this new role or new institution,
- (2) to reflect on career aspirations and start to make long-term plans for academic career, and
- (3) to learn about opportunities within the Department for career development (in education, research, administration, etc.).

The content of the program is developed each year based on the interests of the group, but often includes discussions with various leaders from the Department.

This group recently held a celebration at FuGaKyu and had an excellent time!

Faculty Parental Wellness Program

Are you an expectant or new parent? The **Faculty Parental Wellness Program** is designed to improve the personal wellbeing and professional productivity of expectant and new parents who are faculty at MGH, BWH, BWFH, and MEE. We welcome all family types and invite participants to join the program early in the expectant phase (pregnancy or adoption) through the first year of your child's life. We support individuals who meet the following criteria:

1. Faculty at MGH, BWH/BWFH, and MEE
2. Expectant parents or new parents with a child < 6 months

We welcome faculty of all genders and gender identities. You do not have to be a first-time parent - we welcome all!

If you would like to participate in the program as an expectant or new parent (child <6 months of age), please indicate your interest by completing [this form](#). We encourage you to join early in your pregnancy to take full advantage of the program!

Sign Up

Other Links to Faculty Development Resources

[Brigham and Women's Faculty Development & Wellbeing](#)

[CV and Promotions Guide](#)

[HMS Office of Faculty Development: OFA Faculty Development](#)

[Faculty of Medicine Handbook](#)

[Visit our Wellbeing & Support resources on our Intranet](#)

[BWH Wellbeing: Faculty Well-being Resources](#)



Upcoming Events

January Grand Rounds (tentative schedule)

1/1/25: 7AM-9AM **HOLIDAY- NO GRAND ROUNDS**

1/8/25: 7AM Dr. Giovanni Landoni- Mechanical Circulatory Support

1/8/25: 8AM Faculty & CRNA Meeting

1/15/25: 7AM Dr. Heather Lander- Achieving Age-Friendly Perioperative Care: The Intersection of Innovation, Optimization, and Equity

1/15/25: 8AM Dr. Daniela Lazea - M&M

1/22/25: 7AM Dr. Ken Shelton - Critical Care in 2025. From Silos to Synergy: Advancing Critical Care Through Collaborative Care, Education, and Innovation

1/22/25: 8AM Dr. Sohyung Lee - Long Acting Injectables

1/29/25: 7AM Drs. David Kubiak, Robert Tucker, Michael Klompas, Meghan Baker, Marc Pimentel-Prevention of Surgical Site Infection - Updated MGB SSI Prevention Guidelines

February Grand Rounds

2/5/25: 7AM Dr. Alice Coombs- Bridging the Gap: Improving Patient

Postoperative Outcomes-What Matters most !

2/5/25: 8AM- Division Meeting

2/12/25: 7AM-9AM Drs. Sebastian Seifert, Dave Berman, Caitlin Sutton, Aireza Shamshirsaz- Maternal-Fetal Surgery

2/19/25: 7AM Dr. Erica Wittwer- Methadone Use in Cardiac Surgery: Improving Care for ERAS patients

2/19/25: 8AM- Dr. Daniela Lazea- M&M

2/26/25: 7AM- Dr. Elisa Walsh- Preventing Mechanical Complications of Central Lines

2/26/25: 8AM- Dr. Tara Shree Ramaswamy- Critical thinking when it is "Critical" Strategies to improve acute management across a continuum of care

March Grand Rounds

3/5/25: 7AM Dr. Manoj Lalu- Safeguarding Anesthesia Research Integrity and Quality Against the Threat of Predatory Journals

3/5/25:8AM- Faculty & CRNA Meeting

3/12/25: 7AM Drs. David Hepner & Annmarie Thompson-Updated ACC/AHA Guidelines 2024

3/12/25: 8AM Dr. Alexander Goodell- The Future is Simulated: Artificial Intelligence and Anesthesia

3/19/25: 7AM-9AM Resident Session

3/26/25: 7AM Dr. Caoimhe Duffy-Proactive Patient Safety in Anesthesia

3/26/25: 8AM Dr. Daniela Lazea- M&M

April Grand Rounds

4/2/25: 7AM Dr. Vesela Kovacheva- 'AI tools coming to your OR'

4/2/25:8AM- Division Meeting

4/9/25: 7AM Dr. Thierr Girard- 'Pain during cesarean delivery'

4/9/25: 8AM Dr. Michael Furdyna and OB- Highlight of Divisional MPOG research

4/16/25: 7AM Drs. Kristin Schreiber and Sam Meints- Protocolization Vs. Personalization

4/16/25: 8AM Dr. Daniela Lazea- M&M

4/23/25: 7AM-9AM Fellow Session

4/30/25: 7AM-9AM Dr. Chris Connolly, Dr. Morana Lasic, Crico Attorney- Medical Malpractice

Workshops

Zoom Presentation: Crafting Your Faculty of Medicine CV

1/27/2025 3:30pm to 5:30pm

Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

Zoom Presentation: Getting Promoted from Instructor to Assistant Professor

2/10/2025 3:30pm to 5:00pm

Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

Zoom Presentation: Getting Promoted from Assistant to Associate Professor

2/24/2025 3:30pm to 5:00pm

Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

Zoom Presentation: Getting Promoted from Associate to Full Professor

3/10/2025 3:30pm to 5:00pm

Location: Zoom Video Conferencing

Recorded Zoom Presentations: Getting Promoted from X to X Professor can be found here: [Promotion and CV Video Library | Harvard Medical School](#)

Upcoming Brigham Social Club Wellness Events

Are you a social butterfly with lots of fun event ideas? Are you excited to get to know your classmates and colleagues outside of the operating room? If so, The Brigham Social Club is the place for YOU! The Brigham Social Club is a group of Brigham Anesthesia members committed to building community and supporting wellbeing. The BSC is open to all members of the department. We host monthly events, such as Apple Picking, Lunar New Year Lunch, Trivia Night, and the annual Ski Trip. Commitment is minimal-- just 4 virtual meetings per year! Email Cathleen McKeating to sign up.

Sincerely, Cathleen McKeating

Upcoming Schedule

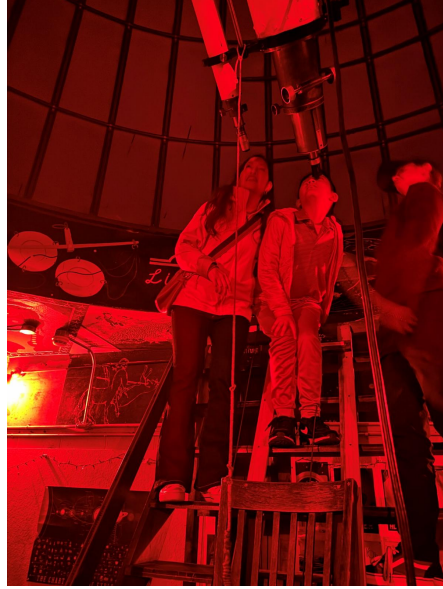
- Lunar New Year Lunch and Asian Cook-Off! Tuesday 1/28 from 11am – 2pm
- Loon Mountain Ski & Snowboard Trip, Saturday 3/29

Other Wellbeing Resources:

- [Visit our Wellbeing & Support resources on our Intranet](#)
- [BWH Wellbeing: Faculty Well-being Resources](#)

Pictures from the recent Brigham Social Club Events: Tea and Telescopes with Dr. Art Formanek





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