



VCU EM Education News

December 2025

VCU EM Residency Holiday Celebration

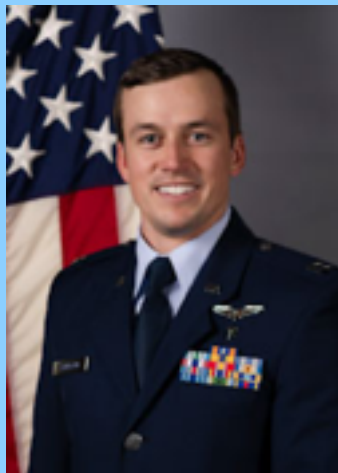


VCU EM annual celebration of the holiday season on December 17th. *Happy Holidays!*

First Members of the VCU EM Residency Class of 2029



Allen Archer
Quillen East Tennessee State



Robert Wineland
NOVA Southeastern

VCU EM matched 2 Air Force officers in the 9th match of VCU EM's program with the Air Force.

Welcome to the VCU EM Family!



VCU Residents Heading to Fellowship!



Eric Donley
EMS
VCU Health



Brian Kesselring
EMS
Carolinas Medical Ctr



Abby Stanley
EMS
VCU Health



Women in EM Holiday Gatherings



Left, the VCU women in EM celebrated the holiday season at the home of **Jess Gertz** (Faculty, EM Residency '17, US Fellowship '18). Below attending the Maymont Garden Glow.



EM Resident Retreat 2025!



VCU Residency Reunion 2025



An ED Residency Reunion was held October 11th at the home of **Shannon Walsh** (Faculty, EM Res'13). Shannon and **Mike Jones** (Faculty, EM US Fellow '23) planned and hosted the event which was attended by Chair **Harinder Dhindsa** and **Tim Evans** founding PD.

Save the Date! Residency Reunion 2026 - October 17th

VCU ED Reunion



The VCU Emergency Department held a reunion of former and current nurses, staff, and providers on October 11th. What an amazing group!

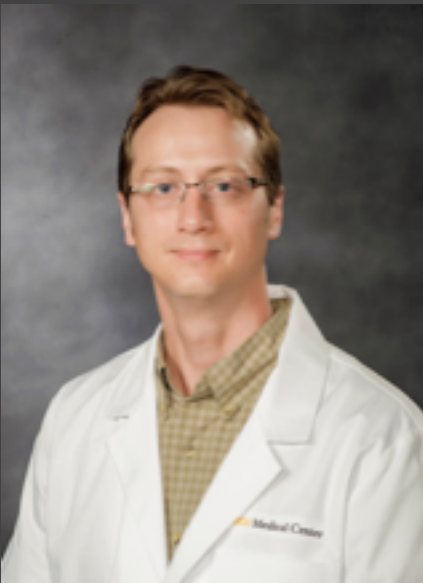
VCU EM Happenings



Top Left, **Boykin Eshleman** (EM2) presents at Society of Clinical Ultrasound Fellowships. Top Right, **Rashida Woods** (Faculty) and **Lety Flores** (Faculty, EMIM Res '19) present at the VCU SOM Academic and Clinical Skills Symposium. Right, **Joel Moll** (Faculty) with lead judges led the national finals of CPC and closes out 15 years as CPC judge for CORD, the last two as chair of the CPC competition.



Cumpston named Editor of Flagship Toxicology Journal



Kirk Cumpston (Faculty) has earned another prestigious accomplishment with his recent appointment as Editor-in-Chief of the Clinical Toxicology, the flagship journal of Medical Toxicology effective January 1, 2026. As Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Cumpston will oversee the journal's editorial strategy, uphold the highest standards of scientific rigor, and work closely with the editorial board, authors, and reviewers, to advance the journal's mission. Congrats Kirk!

Welcome 2025 Fellows!



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Incoming Fellows 2026



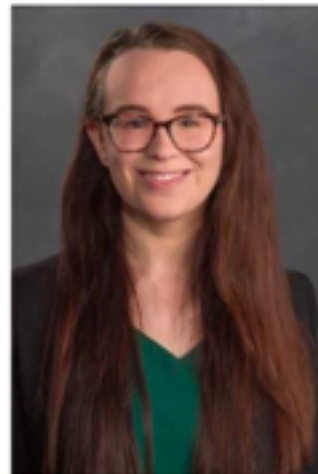
Eric Donley, MD
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Abby Stanley, DO
VCU Health
EMS



MaKayla Beecham, MD
Ohio State University
Medical Education



Rachel Bailey, MD
VCU Health Peds
Pediatric EM



Kelsey Cookson, MD, MPH.
St Josephs Univ Med Ctr Peds
Pediatric EM



Sara Robicheaux MD, MPH
LSU Health Shreveport
Toxicology



Krysten Sessoms, MD, MPH
East Carolina University Health
Ultrasound

The Emergency Medicine fellowship programs added 7 fellows (residency training listed above) who will start their programs in July 2026.

Congrats to our fellowship programs and welcome to the VCU EM family!

VCU EM Family Additions



Above Left, **Carrie Maupin** (Faculty, Med Ed '25) and husband Johnathon welcomed James Deane Maupin. Above 2nd Middle, **Ambika Anand** (Faculty, Med Ed '24) and husband Vignesh add baby Anjali to the family. Above Right, **Kolten Fischer** (EM Res '23) and wife Liz welcome Adler Reed Fischer.



Alumni celebration at an undisclosed location! **Allen Noakes** (EM Res '23) center light blue shirt celebrates his birthday at an undisclosed location with US Air Force along with **Robert Adams** (EM Res '23) to his left and Air Force colleagues. Happy Birthday and thank you for your service!

Upcoming VCU EM Grand Rounds



Laura Hopson, MD

Professor, Associate Chair Education
Department of Emergency Medicine
University of Michigan School of Medicine

President, CORD

January 14, 2026 10am



Janice Blamchard, MD PhD

Professor, Emergency Medicine
Chief Section on Health Policy
Professor of Health Policy and
Management
George Washington School of Medicine

February 11, 2026 10am



Jeff Kline, MD

Professor with Tenure
Associate Chair for Research
Brooks Bock Endowed Professor
Department of Emergency Medicine
Wayne State University SOM

March 11, 2026 10am

Grand Rounds Live or Virtual



Location

Ben Johnson Auditorium, MCV Campus of VCU
305 N 12th Street, Richmond, Virginia

Join the meeting now



Tim Layng, DO

Assistant Professor Emergency Medicine
Director, EM Informatics
Medical Director, Medical Scribes
University of Virginia SOM

VCU EM Residency Class of 2019

March 18, 2026 10am

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Introducing the Dr. Frank Zwemer, M.D. Resident Education Fund in Emergency Medicine - Internal Medicine

The fund will honor Dr. Zwemer's enduring legacy of mentorship, kindness, and vision, ensuring that his impact will live on in every resident who becomes part of the EMIM family.

Please contact Carolyn Center in Medical Philanthropy at cecenter@vcu.edu or 804-398-1156 for more information

Grand Rounds Speakers at VCU and in RVA



Above Left, December Grand Rounds speaker **Justin Myers** (UNC Faculty, VCU EM Res '08) tours the ED. Above Right, October Grand Rounds speaker **Cythnia Price** (U Conn Faculty) is out and about with faculty and fellows to experience RVA before her talk.



*Happy Holidays from your VCU
Emergency Medicine Family*

Please Support VCU EM Resident Education!

You can donate to support VCU EM residents through the MCV Foundation. We have established an ongoing fund to support the residents and residency for things that VCUHS does not fund. Please consider supporting the future of emergency medicine!

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