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NEWS



Steven Lansman, M.D., Ph.D., is Named Interim Chair of the Department of Surgery

Steven Lansman, M.D., Ph.D., professor of surgery, has been appointed interim chair of the Department of Surgery at NYMC as well as interim director of the Department of Surgery at WMC where he is also director of cardiothoracic surgery. A national search will be conducted for the chair position, which was vacated by Rifat Latifi, M.D., FACS, FICS, who was appointed Minister of Health for the Republic of Kosovo. [Read the full article on Dr. Lansman.](#)

IN THE COMMUNITY

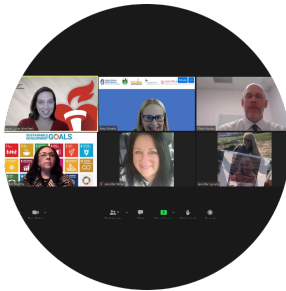


M.P.H. Candidate Bruno S. Villazhiñay Matute Reaches Out to Local Hispanic Communities

Bruno Villazhiñay Matute, a Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) student in health policy and management and administrator of biomedical research administration at NYMC, is using his Applied Practice Experience (APE) in the SHSP to help educate the Westchester community, especially the Hispanic population in the county, about the COVID-19 vaccines and emergency

preparedness. [Read the full article on Mr. Villazhiñay Matute.](#)

ACCOLADES



Amy Ansehl, M.S.N., D.N.P., FNP-BC, top center, associate dean for student experience and associate professor of public health, and **Padmini Murthy, M.D., M.P.H., M.S., M.Phil., CHES**, bottom left, professor of public health and global health director, presented a webinar, [“Taking Care of Your Mental Wellbeing.”](#) on November 16, sponsored by the American Heart Association. Focusing on entering the holidays and winter months armed with the tools to take care of mental health, the presentation represented the School of Health Sciences and Practice as the designated school for the United Nations Academic Impact Sustainable Development Goal 3 Hub for good health and well-being for all.

Shammah Al Memari, a M.P.H. candidate in health policy and management, was a participant at the COP26 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, Scotland, which took place from October 31 to November 13.



Shoshana Marmon, M.D., Ph.D., clinical assistant professor of dermatology, was honored as an [American Academy of Dermatology Patient Care Hero](#) for providing safe, accessible care to patients during the COVID-19 pandemic. Early in the pandemic lockdown in New York City, [Dr. Marmon and her colleagues launched text message-based virtual visits at their safety-net hospitals](#) so patients without a computer, email address or broadband service were able to stay connected to their dermatologists. The approach was so effective that the entire hospital system is now using this technique to help patients participate in telemedicine.

DID YOU KNOW?

Robert M. Califf, M.D., was recently nominated by President Joe Biden to serve as commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration. Dr. Califf gave the

commencement address to the Class of 2017 at NYMC's 158th Commencement exercises.



TIP OF THE WEEK



From the Department of Speech-Language Pathology (SLP): Speaking for prolonged periods of time or speaking louder than usual can damage your vocal cords or cause you to lose your voice. To take care of your vocal cords, take vocal breaks, drink water and monitor your voice's volume throughout the day. [Read more SLP tips from Sierra Zoll, SLP Class of 2022, and Barbara J. Leader, M.A., CCC-SLP, assistant professor of speech-language pathology.](#)

EVENTS ON THE NYMC CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday, November 24	8:00 a.m.	Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds
	3:00 p.m.	NYMC Closes at 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 25	All Day	NYMC Closed: Thanksgiving
Friday, November 26	All Day	NYMC Closed: Day After Thanksgiving
Monday, November 29	12:00 p.m.	SOM/GSBMS Deans' Seminar Series
	12:00 p.m.	Undergraduate Medical Education Town Hall
	6:00 p.m.	SOM Introduction to SAAVE
Tuesday, November 30	12:15 p.m.	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Grand Rounds

Add an event here to the NYMC calendar.

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HIGHLIGHTS

[28th Annual Faculty Author Celebration](#)

Wednesday, December 15, 2021
4:00 p.m. • [Zoom](#)



Recognizing faculty authors who published in 2020. [View the complete bibliography here.](#)



COVID-19 Vaccine for Children Ages 5-11, as well as Seasonal Flu Vaccine, Now Available at the NYMC Family Health Center

Faculty and staff can contact the Family Health Center at (914) 828-0435 to make an appointment, although walk-ins are welcome. Students can contact Health Services at (914) 594-4234 to schedule an appointment.



NYMC Free Community Food Pantry

The [NYMC Free Community Food Pantry](#), located outside of the Alumni House at 20 Sunshine Cottage Road, is stocked with non-perishable food items and other items donated by the NYMC community.



Yoga Class for Faculty and Staff

Virtual yoga class led by certified yoga instructor Mary Butler-Fink.

Mondays | 5:30 p.m. | [Zoom](#)
Meeting ID: 489 054 8060; Password: YOGA
One tap mobile +19292056099 (for dial in)

IN THE NEWS

New York Medical College Leadership News

[Local Summit Hosts Experts to Navigate COVID and the Vaccines](#)

Patch - 11/11/2021

Robert W. Amler, M.D., M.B.A., dean of the School of Health Sciences and Practice and vice president of government affairs
Sherlita Amler, M.D., M.S., clinical associate professor of pediatrics, adjunct professor of public health and senior fellow in the Center for Disaster Medicine

[The DEI-Savvy Executive's Guide to the Company Holiday Party \(If We Can Still Call It the Holiday Party\)](#)

Senior Executive - 11/9/2021

Jennifer Riekert, M.B.A., vice president of communications and strategic initiatives

[New York Medical College Honors Popack at Founder's Dinner](#)

ColLive - 11/14/2021

Edward C. Halperin, M.D., M.A., chancellor and chief executive officer
Joseph Popack, member of the Board of Trustees
Vilma E. Bordonaro, M.B.A., chief of staff
Michael Crupain, M.D. '06, M.P.H.
Brij M. Singh Ahluwalia, M.D., professor and former chair of the Department of Neurology
Chitti R. Moorthy, M.D., professor and former chair of the Department of Radiation Medicine
Bess J. Chazhur, M.S., chief development officer and executive director of alumni relations

Faculty News

[Valhalla vaccination site opens its doors](#)
News 12 - 11/19/2021

[Managing Agitation in Schizophrenia and Bipolar Disorder](#)

Michael H. Gewitz, M.D., professor of pediatrics and vice chair of the Department of Pediatrics

[Consolidation, prior authorization drive improper Medicare payments to historic low](#)

Modern Healthcare (login required) - 11/18/2021

Adam E. Block, Ph.D., assistant professor of public health in the Division of Health Policy and Management

Medpage Today (Login Required) - 11/15/2021

Leslie L. Citrome, M.D., M.P.H., clinical professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences

[Brooklyn Dermatologist Bridges Digital Divide to Help Patients at Safety-Net Hospital](#)

News Wise - 11/16/2021

Shoshana Marmon, M.D., Ph.D., clinical assistant professor of dermatology

Student News

[Watch! See why future pediatrician Gavi credits Touro for ensuring he is ready for his career in medicine.](#)

The Yeshiva World - 11/16/2021

Gavi Berman, SOM Class of 2024

Affiliate News

[Four WMCHHealth Hospitals Earn Awards for Stroke Care Excellence](#)

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WMCHHealth Network: Westchester Medical Center, Good Samaritan Hospital and MidHudsonRegional Hospital

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