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# InTouch

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Week of May 23, 2022



## NEWS

### Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Celebrates the Unveiling of the Phillip Capozzi, M.D., Library

It was a grand occasion on May 20 for the NYMC and TU community, when the Health Sciences Library was officially renamed the Phillip Capozzi, M.D., Library, after **Philip D. Capozzi, M.D. '96**, center. Dr. Capozzi's legacy gift to NYMC will enable the library to continue its tradition of being a dedicated communal learning space. [Read the full article and view the photo gallery and video.](#)



### NYMC Set for 163rd Commencement Ceremonies

The Class of 2022 is getting ready to don their caps and gowns at the 163rd commencement exercises under the tent on the Valhalla campus. The pomp and circumstance of the GSBMS and SHSP will take place on Tuesday, May 24, at 1:00 p.m., and the SOM commencement exercises will take place on Thursday, May 26 at

1:00 p.m. [View the commencement website for additional information and to view the ceremonies online.](#)

### Center for Disaster Medicine Hosts Lifesaving Trainings for Students and Staff

The Center for Disaster Medicine hosted trainings on May 10 and 12 for more than 70 staff members, students and College public safety officers. The trainings covered Stop the Bleed, which shows how to properly apply tourniquets and gauzes to severe wounds, and the administration of naloxone, a drug used to help reverse opioid overdoses. [Read the full article.](#)



### NYMC and TU Host 19th COVID-19 Symposium



Leadership from NYMC and TU hosted the 19th COVID-19 Symposium, which featured presentations by New York and New Jersey public health officials and NYMC faculty, covering topics including the importance of public health not only within the scope of the pandemic, but as society moves forward in providing a more equitable, healthy environment for all communities. [Watch the symposium here.](#)

## ACCOLADES

**Padmini Murthy, M.D., M.P.H., M.S., M.Phil., CHES**, professor of public health and global health director, was recognized with a citation from Jenifer Rajkumar, New York State Assembly Member, 38th District, on the occasion of the Global Hindu Summit. She was honored for being a leader in medicine; advancing spiritual, mental and physical wellbeing; serving as an advisor and trustee of the World Yoga Community; and serving as a role model to all women in medicine.



**Katharine Yamulla, M.A., CHSE**, center, senior director of competency-based assessment and clinical skills education and director of the Clinical Skills and Simulation Center (CSSC), was honored by the Children's Dream Foundation (CDF) at their 30th anniversary celebration on May 13, at the Shenorock Shore Club in Rye, New York. Ms. Yamulla received the Educational Service Award for developing an innovative clinical skills curriculum at NYMC that champions humanistic patient

care and promotes positive pediatric outcomes in the Hudson Valley. The CDF provides grants to health care organizations to ensure that the most advanced pediatric medical care, especially emergency services, is available to all children in the Hudson Valley. Ms. Yamulla has worked very closely with the CDF for more than five years and has aided NYMC in being grant recipients of more than \$75,000 in simulation equipment. In 2021, the CDF provided funding to the CSSC to purchase an infant lumbar simulator, an adolescent lumbar puncture and epidural system with a simulated IV bag, and a pediatric ultrasound central line and regional anesthesia training model. Ms. Yamulla was joined by CDF board members, **Erik Larsen, M.D.**, and **Ida Doctor**.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

**Taylor Gerber, M.P.H.**  
**Candidate, Completes**  
**Highly Competitive**  
**Emergency Management**  
**Fellowship**

**Taylor Gerber**, an M.P.H. student in health policy and management and the advanced certificate in emergency management program set to graduate on May 24, successfully completed an internship with the NYC Department of Education (DOE) Department of Emergency Management through the John D. Solomon Fellowship for Public Service—the first student fellowship with the City devoted specifically to emergency management. Ms. Gerber was one of only ten graduate students in the NYC area selected to



complete a nine-month fellowship in an agency of a NYC government or a nonprofit organization. During her time at the DOE, Ms. Gerber worked hands-on with members of the DOE emergency management team to help ensure NYC schools had proper emergency plans in place and were up to code for accessibility. [Ms. Gerber shared an in-depth look at her time in the DOE.](#)

## FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



### Aviva C. Berkowitz, M.D., Focuses on Humanism in Oncology

Like many physicians **Aviva C. Berkowitz, M.D.**, clinical assistant professor of radiation medicine, knew she wanted to become one from a young age. However, Dr. Berkowitz had a unique perspective to what life as a medical student and physician entailed, as four of her older siblings earned their M.D.s. Now focused on

radiation medicine, Dr. Berkowitz, who joined the faculty in July 2021, takes great pride in being someone that patients with cancer can lean on. [Read the full article on Dr. Berkowitz.](#)

## TIP OF THE WEEK

From the Capozzi Library: Get direct access to articles in minutes. The Phillip Capozzi, M.D., Library has moved some journal subscriptions to on-demand access. This service provides direct delivery of journal articles to your email. Learn more on the library blog, [FYI](#).

## EVENTS ON THE NYMC CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT
<b>Monday, May 23</b>	9:00 a.m.	GSBMS/SHSP Rehearsal
	11:30 a.m.	SOM Rehearsal
<b>Tuesday, May 24</b>	10:00 a.m.	SHSP Public Health Awards Ceremony
	10:00 a.m.	SHSP DPT Recognition Ceremony
	10:00 a.m.	SHSP SLP Hooding and Awards Ceremony
	10:00 a.m.	GSBMS Hooding and Awards Ceremony
	11:30 a.m.	SHSP/GSBMS Assemble for Commencement
<b>Wednesday, May 25</b>	1:00 p.m.	SHSP/GSBMS Commencement Ceremony
	6:45 a.m.	Department of Anesthesiology Grand Rounds
	8:30 a.m.	Department of Surgery Grand Rounds
<b>Thursday, May 26</b>	9:00 am.	SOM Awards Ceremony
	11:30 a.m.	SOM Assemble for Commencement
	1:00 p.m.	SOM Commencement Ceremony
<b>Monday, May 30</b>	All Day	NYMC Closed: Memorial Day

Add an event to the NYMC calendar [here](#).

[Visit nymc.edu/calendar](https://www.nymc.edu/calendar) to view all events.

## HIGHLIGHTS



### **Class of 2022 Commencement**

**Tuesday, May 24 - Thursday, May 26**

Share your photos and videos on social media using the hashtag #NYMCgrad



### **NYMC 2022 Golf Outing**

**Monday, June 27, 2022**

Saint Andrew's Gold Club

10 Old Jackson Ave, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706

- 11:00 a.m. - Registration/practice
- 1:00 p.m. - Shotgun Start

Awards and reception to follow.

## **IN THE NEWS**

### **NYMC Leadership News**

#### **Possible case of monkeypox suspected in New York City**

News 12 Westchester - 5/19/2022

Robert W. Amler, M.D., M.B.A., dean of the School of Health Sciences and Practice and vice president of government affairs

#### **6 subtle signs of an early miscarriage and how to care for yourself at home**

Insider - 5/13/2022

Karen M. Murray, M.D. '99, associate dean for SOM admissions and associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology

#### **Health officials investigating possible case of monkeypox in Manhattan**

Spectrum News NY1 - 5/19/2022

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### **Faculty News**

#### **From NICU to baby doctor**

The Journal News - 5/17/2022

Edmund F. LaGamma, M.D. '76, professor of pediatrics, division of newborn medicine and professor of biochemistry and molecular biology

#### **Mitoxantrone and Clofarabine Reinduction for Pediatric Patients With Leukemia**

Hematology Advisor - 5/16/2022

Jessica C. Hochberg, M.D., associate professor of pediatrics

#### **NYMC's Clinical Laboratory Sciences (CLS) Master's Program Receives Full Accreditation**

River Journal - 5/17/2022

Carol Carbonaro Ph.D., SM, MLSCM (ASCP), CLS program director and clinical associate professor of pathology  
Lindsey Singer, M.S. candidate in CLS, Class of 2022

#### **Baby Steps**

The Purist - May 2022

Lea D. Lis, M.D., clinical assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences

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