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NEWS



SLP Class of 2022 Gives Clinic Rooms a Makeover

The Boston Children's Health Physicians Division of Speech-Language Pathology Clinic at NYMC has a brand-new look after members of the SLP Class of 2022 redecorated each room with a unique design. The graduates completed the project as a parting gift to provide a welcoming and fun environment for the young clients in

the clinic. [Read the full article and view the photos.](#)

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Intellectual Curiosity Leads Rachel Thommen, SOM Class of 2024, to NYMC

Rachel Thommen, SOM Class of 2024, became fascinated with medicine and its healing effects as a child. She encountered her first cadavers as a high school student and traveled as far as Portugal to shadow physicians and surgeons in her effort to immerse herself in medicine. [Read the full Q&A with Ms. Thommen.](#)



DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT



The Office of Information Technology Keeps NYMC Connected

The [Office of Information Technology](#) (IT) serves as the heart of all technology related services at NYMC, from technical support to ensuring the security of the College's internet-based data. The office also manages audio and visual services on campus, facilitating seamless support when

members of the NYMC campus community need it. **James Curran**, director of IT and services, [provided a closer look at the office's daily responsibilities.](#)

ACCOLADES

Chandra Shekhar Bakshi, Ph.D., associate professor of pathology, microbiology and immunology, presented, “An In-Depth Study on How and Why Aim2-inflammasome Responses Differ in Macrophages Infected with *Francisella tularensis* and *Francisella novicida*” at the American Society for Microbiology Microbe 2022 Conference in Washington, D.C., June 9-13.



Esther L. Sabban, Ph.D., professor of biochemistry and molecular biology, was an invited speaker on the panel on “Novel Pharmacotherapies for Post-traumatic Stress Disorder” at the 2022 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Clinical Psychopharmacology, on May 31, in Scottsdale, Arizona. She presented a talk on “Potential of Intranasal Neuropeptide Y for Prevention and Treatment of PTSD and Associated Neuropsychiatric Disorders.”

TIP OF THE WEEK

As the summer barbeque season gets underway, Dana Mordue, Ph.D., associate professor of pathology, microbiology and immunology, vice chancellor of accreditation and student support, and secretary of the Faculty Senate, reminds everyone that raw and undercooked meat and poultry can cause food poisoning. Most raw poultry contain *Camphylobacter*, *Salmonella* and other bacterium, while raw or undercooked meat may contain *Salmonella*, *Escherichia coli* or *Yersinia*. Thoroughly cook poultry and meat as bacteria is killed by cooking. Since you can't tell if meat is properly cooked by looking at its color or juices, it's best to look at the internal temperature. If you are serving potato salad or similar sides at your outdoor picnic, be sure you keep them on ice to prevent bacterial growth that can occur if they sit out at warmer temperatures.



DID YOU KNOW



June is Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. Test your knowledge on [NYMC's Instagram](#).

EVENTS ON THE NYMC CALENDAR

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday, June 29	6:45 a.m.	Department of Anesthesiology Grand Rounds
Monday, July 4	All Day	NYMC Closed: Independence Day
Sunday, July 24	8:30 a.m.	Department of Pathology, Microbiology and Immunology Seminar

Add an event to the NYMC calendar here.

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

HIGHLIGHTS



SOM Class of 2026 White Coat Ceremony

Friday, July 29, 2022

11:30 a.m.

In-person by invitation only

[Online viewing is available here.](#)



SOM Seeks MMI Interviewers

The School of Medicine Office of Admissions is seeking [interviewers](#) for the Multiple Mini-Interview (MMI) 2022-23 interview season.

IN THE NEWS

NYMC Leadership News

Most pharmacies in the US can't give your infant or toddler a COVID shot. Here's why.

USA Today (login required) - 6/23/2022

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

Opinion: The Reproductive Technology Advances No One Asked For

The Scientist - 6/22/2022

Alan Kadish, M.D., president

John Loike, Ph.D., interim director of the Master of Science Degree and the Graduate Certificate program in Bioethics, SHSP

Faculty News

Transdermal Med May Directly Target Hostility in Schizophrenia

Medscape (login required) - 6/22/2022

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

Why At-Home Lyme Disease Tests Aren't Worth It, According to Experts

SELF - 6/17/2022

Raymond J. Dattwyler, M.D., professor of pathology, microbiology and immunology

Evidence Grows for Value of Pharmacogenomics

Pharmacy Practice News - 6/21/2022

Zvi G. Loewy, Ph.D., adjunct professor of pathology, microbiology and immunology

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