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Give Back to Our Current Residents: The LSU IM Residency Alumni Fund

As part of the educational process, our residents pursue scholarly endeavors and are encouraged to participate at local, regional, and national conferences. These scholarly pursuits set the foundation for our residents to match in highly competitive fellowships around the country and secure prestigious positions in primary care and hospitalist medicine.

The LSU Internal Medicine Residency Alumni Fund was created in 2015 with the goal of raising money to assist LSU Internal Medicine residents to attend educational conferences and present their scholarly activity. As it is now, most residents have to pay out of pocket to attend these conferences. Our residency program is seeking financial assistance to expand the educational mission, further the program's outstanding reputation as a leader in medical training, and assist in the financial burden this may cause residents while they are in training. We are asking for your help in the form of a tax-deductible donation to help augment our residency program's efforts. Your generous donation will go toward resident registration fees and travel costs so that they can participate at regional and national conferences. We also hope to use these funds to send our incoming chief residents to the Association of Program Directors of Internal Medicine (APDIM) annual Chief Residents Meeting, a two-day educational event. This forum introduces chief residents to the challenges of academic medicine and provides training to further their development as future leaders.

No amount is too small and every dollar you give will be put solely toward providing a first-class education for our future internists and subspecialists. Your donations are crucial to our continued growth.

On the next few pages, you'll see several of our residents who need your support to attend conferences around the country to present their scholarly activity. The statements of why they would like to attend come straight from the residents themselves!

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Our residents are going places!

WITH YOUR HELP!

Sepehr Sadeghi, DO

Internal Medicine - PGY 2

Conferences Attending:

American College of
Cardiology
Chicago, IL
March 29-31

American College of
Physicians
New Orleans, LA
April 3-5

Why I'd Like to Attend:

I will be attending both conferences to present case reports, as well as a potentially IRB-approved project and a quality improvement (QI) project.

Financial support would be greatly appreciated to facilitate my participation in presenting my scholarly work. Without funding, covering the registration and travel expenses for these conferences may not be feasible.



Gurtaj Mahil, DO

Internal Medicine - PGY 1

Conference Attending:

American College of Physicians
New Orleans, LA / April 3-5

Why I'd Like to Attend:

I will be submitting abstracts to this meeting and hope to have the opportunity to present them.

Future Plans:

Either Academic General Internal Medicine or
Fellowship in Critical Care

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Calvin Rome, MD

Internal Medicine - PGY 2

Conference Attending:

American College of Cardiology
Chicago, IL / March 29-31

Why I'd Like to Attend:

I'm planning to apply for cardiology fellowship, so attendance would be helpful to build my resume. [I am] in the process of submitting a couple of abstracts and hoping to present at the conference.



Hannah Zulli, MD

Internal Medicine - PGY 2

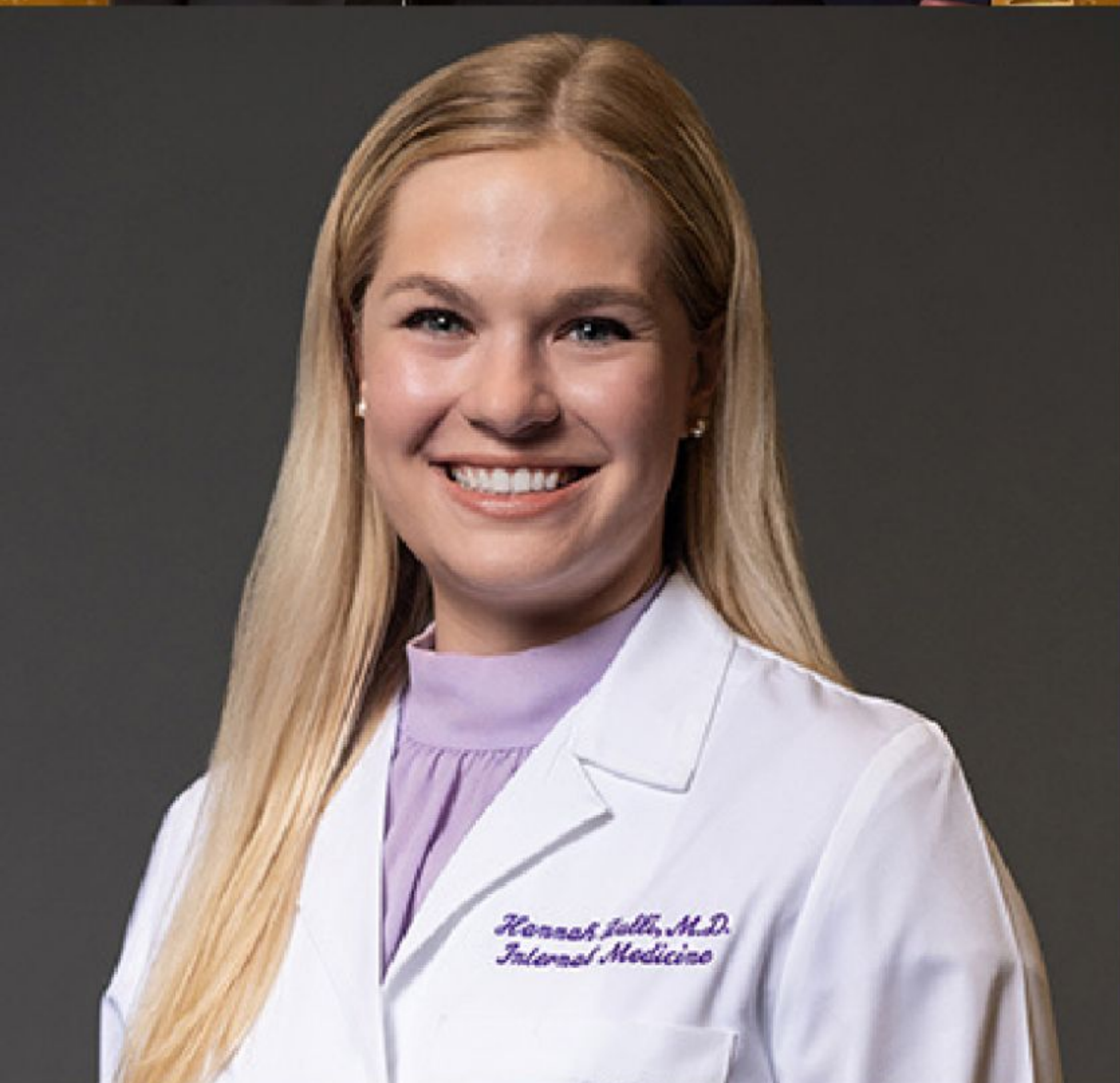
Conference Attending:

CHEST

Boston, MA / October 6-9

Why I'd Like to Attend:

I am a second year interested in applying for a pulmonary critical care fellowship. I was accepted to present a poster at Chest Conference. My poster is titled "P.O. to Pleural Potassium: A Case of an Esophagopleural Fistula." This is a case report about a patient who developed a sudden onset, large volume pleural effusion that rapidly re-accumulated after thoracentesis and required a chest tube. The suspicion for an esophagopleural fistula was raised when the patient swallowed an orange potassium supplement, and it immediately showed up in his chest tube!



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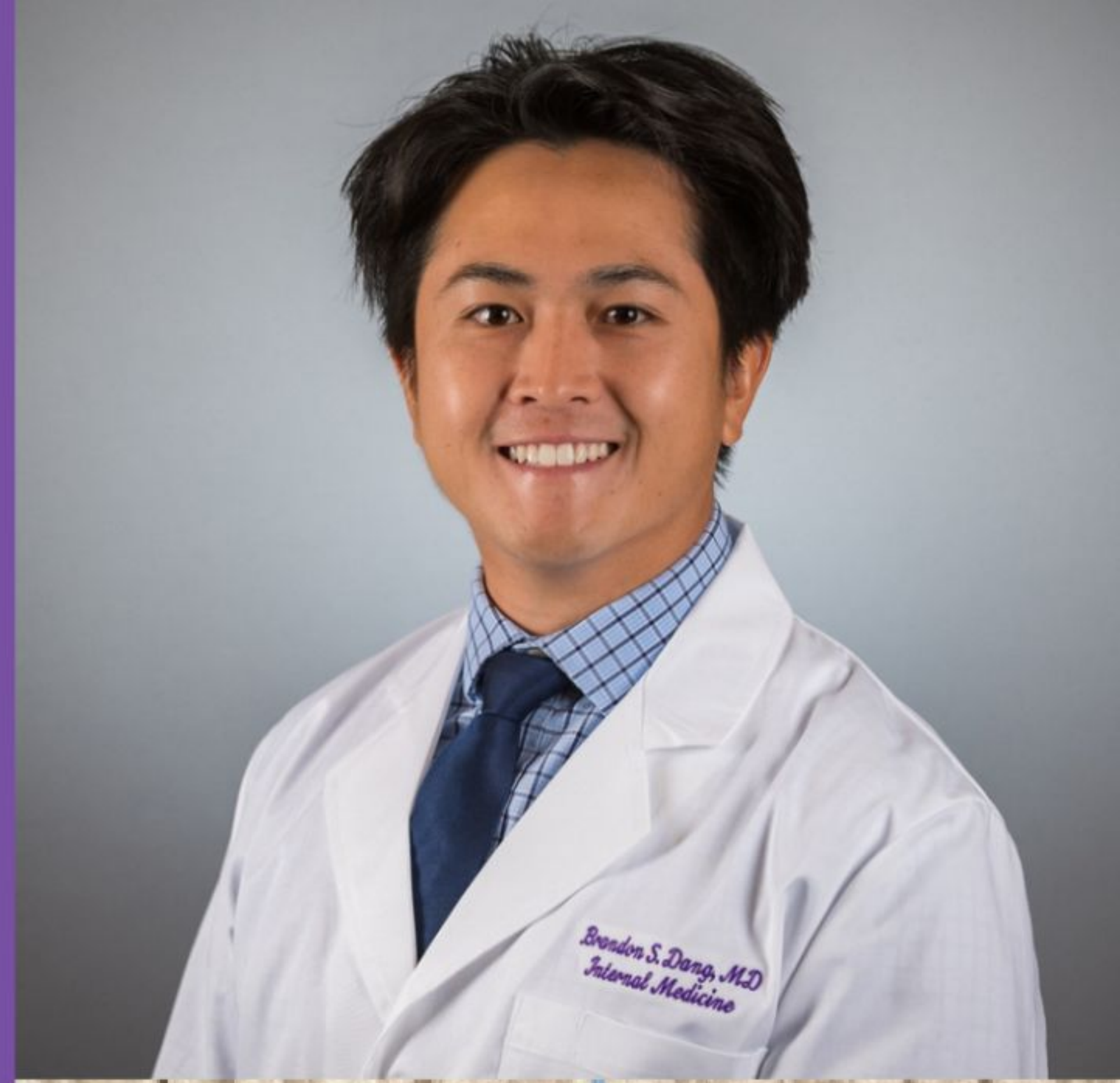
Brandon Dang, MD

Internal Medicine - PGY 1

Conference Attending:
American College of Cardiology
Chicago, IL / March 29-31

Why I'd Like to Attend:

As an aspiring cardiologist, I hope to attend this conference to gain experience and more exposure to this field, as well as networking opportunities. I will also be submitting a case, and if accepted will hope to attend this conference to present it. This is a case titled "Pacemaker syndrome - a Dyssynchronous future". It is an interesting case regarding leadless pacemakers which have been seen increasingly over the past 5-10 years as compared to the traditional pacemaker. However, with its recent upcoming production and administration, there are new complications that may arise from this new technology. I hope to share this case with many others to incite further discussion and potential outcomes for future management.



Jessica Blanchard, MD

Internal Medicine - PGY 1

Conference Attending:
American College of Physicians
New Orleans, LA / April 3-5

Why I'd Like to Attend:

I'm interested in enhancing my clinical knowledge, networking with other ACP members from around the country. I am especially interested in meeting other Residents & Physicians who are passionate about Primary Care. ACP Conference would be a great way to learn about innovations, clinical updates and network with other physicians.

I attended the LACP meeting last year as a student and thoroughly enjoyed it. I attended the virtual ACP last year and the lectures were fantastic. I would love to attend in person this year, and by chance the meeting is in New Orleans.

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Catherine Loehr, MD

Internal Medicine - PGY 2

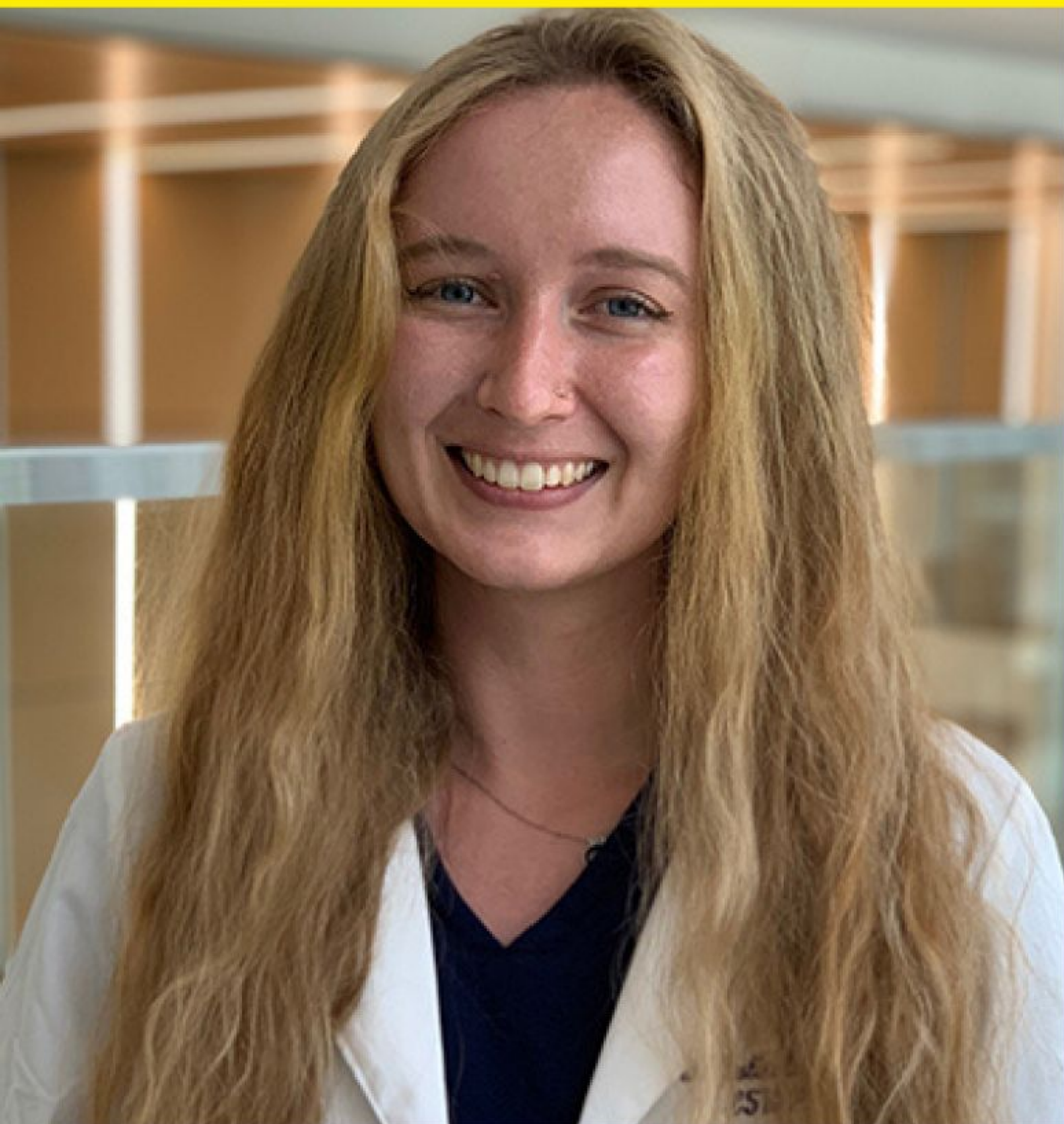
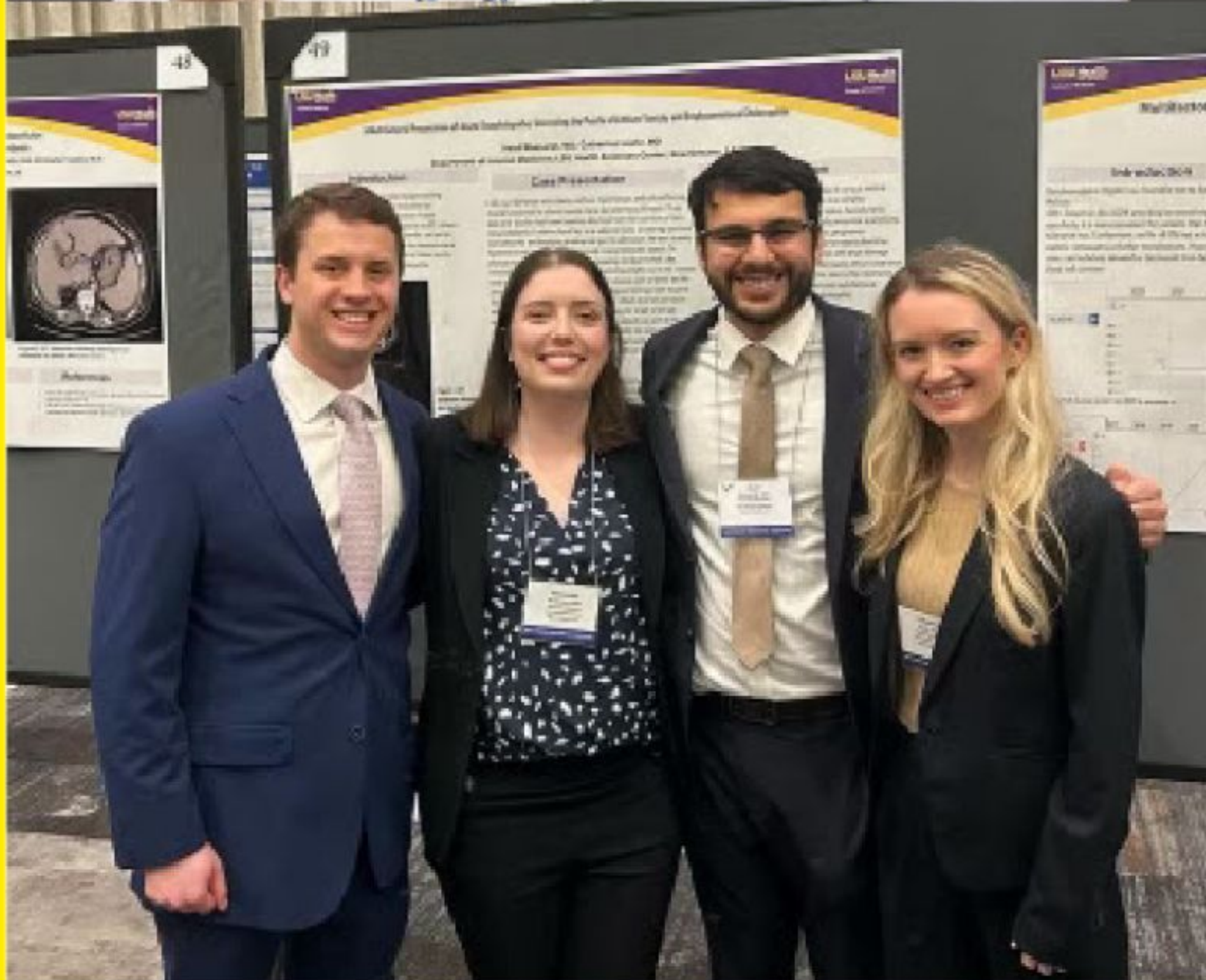
Conference Attending:

American College of Gastroenterology
Philadelphia, PA / October 26-28

Why I'd Like to Attend:

Four of my case report abstract posters were accepted and I will be presenting on: 1. Beyond the Surface: Metastatic Melanoma to the Small Intestine, 2. Lost and Found: A Unique Foreign Body Gastrointestinal Case Report, 3. Iron Insights: A Confused Presentation of Hemochromatosis, 4. Right Atrial Thrombus Induced by Pancreatic Pseudocyst.

The meeting offers in-depth discussions on a broad range of cutting-edge topics in GI, hepatology, and endoscopy. This national ACG conference will provide opportunities to network along with sharing experiences and research with peers among the country. I am hoping to bring that knowledge back to LSU to strengthen our community.



Nali Gillespie, MD

Internal Medicine/Pediatrics

PGY 3

Conference Attending:

American Society for Hematology
San Diego, CA / December 7-8

Why I'd Like to Attend:

Hopefully will present my research on social determinants of health in leukemia and bone marrow transplant patients related to infections.

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Farhan Mohiuddin, MD

Internal Medicine - PGY 1

Conferences Attending:

American College of
Gastroenterology

Philadelphia, PA

October 26-28

Digestive Disease
Week

San Diego, CA

May 3-6

Why I'd Like to Attend:

ACG and DDW are the premiere gastroenterology conferences in the country. Attending these conferences allows exposure to research, treatments, diagnostic tools, and innovations in the field. It also allows a platform to network with representatives of every gastroenterology program in the country and create mentorship opportunities. Being able to present one's own personal research allows an academic profile to be made while also improving communication skills.



Help Us Reach Our

2024-2025

Donation Goal

\$10,000

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Please note that anyone can donate to the fund, not just alumni, and all donations are tax-deductible.

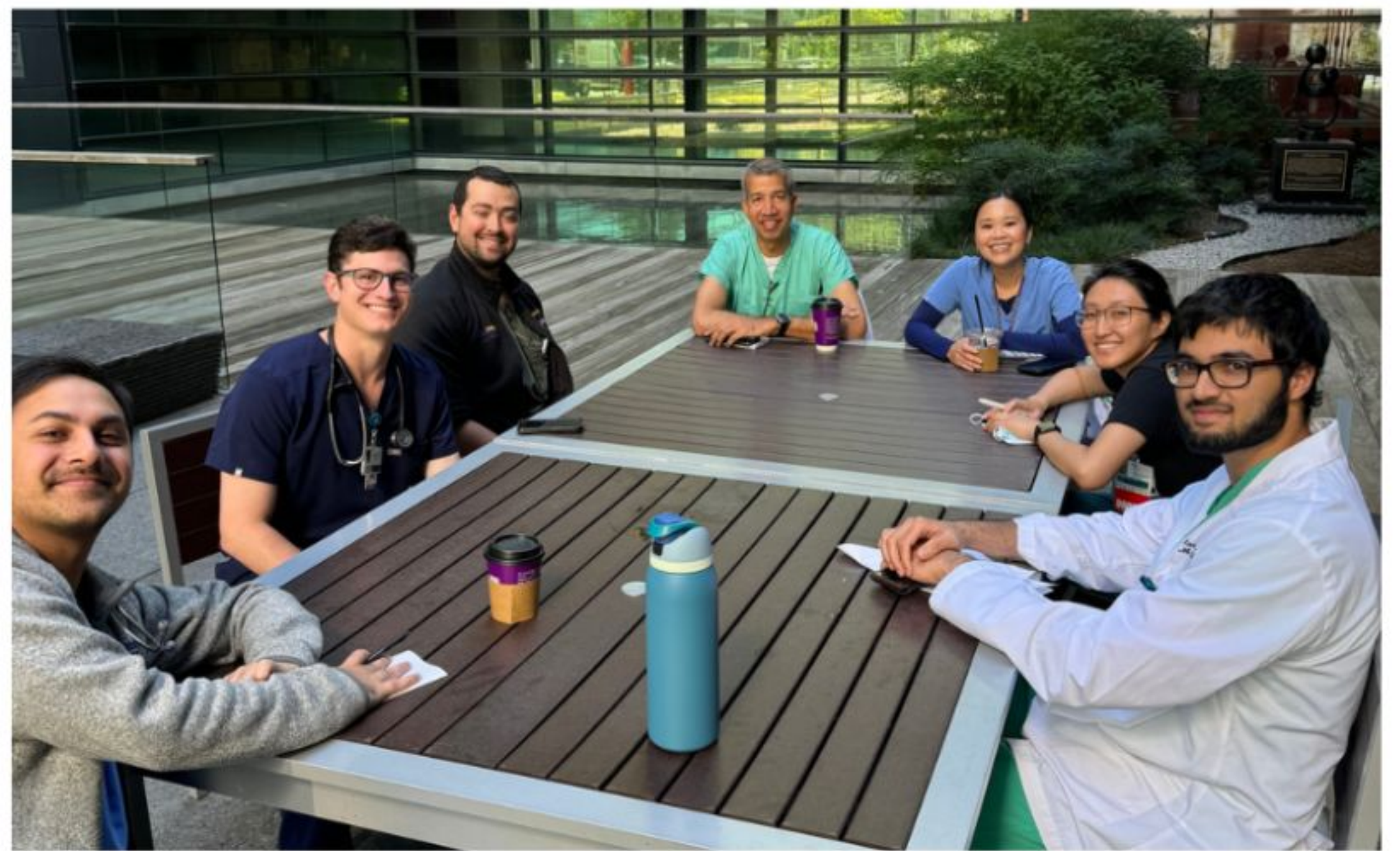
RESIDENCY HAPPENINGS

Post Didactics Trivia Night
at
Urban South Brewery!



PGY2s having a blast at this year's
Red Dress Run in the city!

We love a beautiful fall day where
rounds can be conducted
OUTSIDE!
Thanks Dr. Ali!



Residents just enjoying a night out
on the town!



Birthday celebrations are always
a must!



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