Going Viral: LSU ID NOLA Newsletter

LSU Infectious Diseases
New Orleans, Louisiana
Summer 2026



From Left: De'Angellica Vaughn-Allen, Victoria Burke, Christopher Hayden, and Maren Bell-Do

Graduation Celebration 2026 — The LSU ID Section celebrated the graduation of Maren Bell-Do, Christopher Hayden, and De'Angellica Vaughn-Allen at Ralph's on the Park on June 23, 2026.



(see Graduation Celebration page 2)

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Graduation Celebration 2026 (continued from page 1)



Maren Bell-Do—After Graduation, Maren will be staying in the New Orleans area as a general Infectious Diseases physician at Ochsner (primarily at Main Campus on Jefferson Highway and in Kenner). She will be doing some independent practice in general ID clinics as well as inpatient consults. She will also be involved in teaching medical trainees as they rotate at Main Campus. Maren reflected on her time here at LSU— "I will miss my LSU family who have been supportive throughout my medical training and personal life changes (like having a baby in the middle of fellowship!). I am very grateful that I will still be close by and able to touch base with the amazing team here regularly."



Maren and family at graduation

(See Graduation Celebration page 3)

Graduation Celebration 2026 (continued from page 2)



Christopher Hayden— will be working in Infectious Diseases at Ochsner Slidell where he will be providing inpatient and outpatient care in both general ID and HIV. He will also be working in the Emergency Department at University Medical Center. Hayden states:"I will always be incredibly grateful for my time at LSU. The training is truly top notch and the training staff are even better! Thanks for everything and I look forward to continuing to work with some of the best in the business."



Chris and family at graduation

(See Graduation Celebration page 4)

Graduation Celebration 2026 (continued from page 3)

De'Angellica Vaughn-Allen— Will be joining Opelousas General Hospital in Opelousas, Louisiana. She will be providing inpatient ID consult service as well as outpatient HIV primary care and General ID follow up. Vaughn-Allen remarked: "Thank you to all the faculty and clinic staff for being apart of this chapter in my story. I will truly miss my LSU ID family, but I know that ya'll are only a car ride away!"





De'An and family at graduation

(See Graduation Celebration page 5)

Graduation Celebration 2026 (continued from page 4)







LSU ID Section said good-bye to Meredith Clement, who had joined the LSU ID Faculty in 2018. She will be missed here at LSU. She is taking a position at the University of Colorado. We wish her well in her future endeavors.

(See Graduation Celebration page 6)

Graduation Celebration 2026 (continued from page 5)

This event was also a welcoming celebration

for the incoming ID Fellows for the 2026—2027 academic year. From left: **Asad Ullah**, Thuy-Mai Nguyen (Brian Mackel's wife), **Brian Mackel**, also pictured—Michelle Blyth, Robbie Morgan, Victoria Burke, Colton Creel





Joanne Maffei was presented with a plaque commemorating 30 years of service to LSU Health New Orleans. Julio Figueroa had also received that recognition as well at the Chancellor's Luncheon held previously.

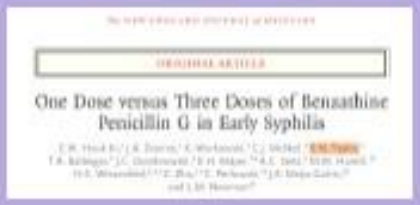
LSU Infectious Diseases Faculty Spotlight

Dr. Fred A. Lopez (Stanford AB' 86; CRT' 95; MF'98; LSU MD'91) was recently appointed to the Board of Directors for the Stanford University Alumni Association (SAA).





Dr. Stephanie Taylor (Infectious Diseases) and colleagues recently published this multicenter, randomized, controlled, noninferiority trial of the use of one doses or three weekly doses of Benzathine Penicillin G in early syphilis. Primary endpoints were seroreversion to nonreactive status or a serologic response. The team found one dose was non-inferior to treatment with three doses with regard to serologic response 6 months after treatment.



One Dose versus Three Doses of Benzathine Penicillin G in Early Syphilis



Dr Fred A. Lopez (Infectious Diseases) is the faculty discussant for the Infectious Diseases section of the ACP MKSAP Audio Companion.

https://oakstone.com/acp-mksap-audio-companion/



The LSU Infectious Diseases staff including Dr. Lauren Richey, Dr. Paula Seal, and Dr. Tat Yau and recently graduated fellow Dr. John Phillips presented a total of nine oral abstract presentations at the US Fast-Track Cities 2025 Summit. Participants are from more than 50 cities and counties in the Fast-Track Cities network and other priority Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) initiative jurisdictions.

Congratulations to the team!



Dr. John Phillilps **(graduated ID fellow):**

Patient Portal Engagement and HIV Outcomes: A Retrospective Cohort Analysis of MyChart Use in a Southern Uman Clinic

Dr. Paula **Seal:**



Healthy Balance Weight Management Initiative in HIV Care

Rapid Reentry into HIV Care to Improve Retention in Care at a HIV Clinic in New Orleans. LA



Dr. Lauren Richey:

Creation of a Low-Barrier Open Access HIV Care Clinic to Address the HIV Care Continuum in New Orleans, Louisiana

Prevention through Preparation can Mitigate Challenges to continued HIV Care during and after a Natural Disaster

Dr. Tat Yau:

Accessing Doxycycline Postexposure Prophylaxis Utilization at a Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana



Enhancing Syphilis Screening: A Clinical Quality Improvement Initiative at a Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana

Slatin Therapy in People with HIV: Implications of Recent Guideline Changes at a Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana

Evaluating Equity in Accessing Long-Acting Injectable Antiretroviral Therapy at a Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana

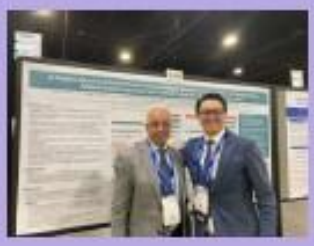
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IDWeek 2025 Atlanta, Georgia October 19—22, 2025

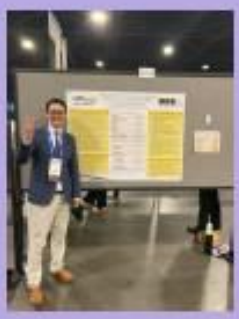
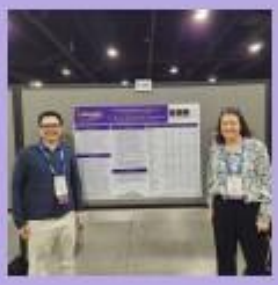
At the recent ID Week, Dr. Tat Yau (Infectious Diseases) co-moderated a session "Diversifying Revenue Streams for ID Providers". Dr. Maren Bell (ID Fellow) presented a case in a panel discussion. Dr. Lauren Richey, Dr Meredith Clement (Infectious Diseases) along with Dr. Catherine Fontenot (IM Resident) and Dr. Victoria McCray (IM Chief Resident) presented posters, noted below. And Dr. Juzar Ali (Pulmonary/Critical Care) presented a poster "A Practice-Based and Expert-Driven Consensus on the Management of Respiratory and Non-Respiratory Adverse Events Associated with Amikacin Liposome Inhalation Suspension (ALIS)"

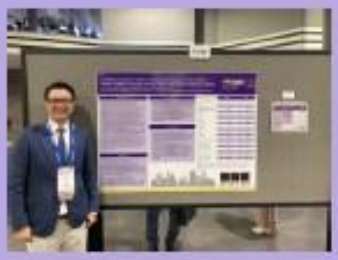
1. Change in Utilization of Statin Therapy Among People with HIV with the Recent Guideline Changes at a Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana Dr. Tat Yau, Dr. Lauren Richey

2. Low-Barrier Open Access HIV Care Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana Dr. Tat Yau, Dr. Lauren Richey

3. Doxycycline Postexposure Prophylaxis Utilization at Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana Dr. Tat Yau, Dr. Catherine Fontenot, Dr. Victoria McCray, and Dr. Meredith Clement






National AIDS Treatment Advocacy Program (NATAP) website highlighted research from the recent ID Week conducted by Dr. Tat Yau and Dr. Lauren Richey. The poster was titled: Change in Utilization of Statin Therapy Among People with HIV with Recent Guideline Changes at a Ryan White Clinic in New Orleans, Louisiana.




LSU Section of Infectious Diseases
IDWeek 2025 Atlanta, Georgia October 19—22, 2025



Maren Bell-Do presented an interesting case of welder's anthrax to a panel of experts.





U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

MMWR

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report

Weekly / Vol. 74 / No. 42 January 1, 2026

Welder's Anthrax Treated with Obiltoxaximab — Louisiana, 2024

Julie M. Thompson, DVM, PhD[*,1,2]; Eric W. Lundstrom, PhD[*,2,3]; Lindsay D. Hein, PhD[1,4]; Cari A. Beesley, MS[1]; Chung K. Marston[1]; Rebecca Zaayenga[1]; Christopher A. Gulvik, PhD[1]; Taylor K. Paisie, MS[1]; Julie Hand, MSPH[5]; Chad H. Dowell, MS[6]; Karl Feldmann, MS[3]; Dawn Blackburn, BVMS[1]; Caroline A. Schrodt, MD[1]; William A. Bower, MD[1]; Katherine M. DeBord, MPH[1]; Brian T. Richardson, Jr., MPH[1]; Danielle Haydel[7]; Latira Haynes, MBA, MHA, MLS[7]; Patricia A. Yu, MPH[8]; Yon Yu, PharmD[8]; Abigail Cocco, DO[9]; Maren Bell-Do, MD[9]; Michael Bacon, MD[9]; James Antonini, PhD[10]; Nancy Burton, PhD[3]; Zachary P. Weiner, PhD[1]; Alex R. Hoffmaster, PhD[1]; Marie A. de Perio, MD[6]; Caitlin M. Cossaboom, DVM, PhD[1]; Theresa Sokol, MPH[5]

The case was published in MMWR—congratulations Maren!!!

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IDWeek 2025 Atlanta, Georgia October 19—22, 2025



Above: Maffei caught up with former LSU Infectious Diseases Fellow Mona Gahunia, class of 2009.



Tat Yau participated in iDMentorship365 program during IDWeek and was featured in an email promoting sponsorship of that program.





Left: From Left—Maffei, Bell-Do, Hayden and Yau at IDWeek Sign.
Above: From Left—Hayden, Burke caught up with former LSU Internal Medicine Resident, Andrea Ito.

LSU Section of Infectious Diseases
IDWeek 2025 Atlanta, Georgia October 19—22, 2025



Shu-Hua Wang (2004), Figueroa, and Maffei at Olympic Park in Atlanta



Dawd Siraj—former Tulane ID Fellow and Shu-Hua Wang (2004) at IDWeek.

Dr. Rebecca Lillis (Infectious Diseases) published this paper on point of care molecular test for causes of vaginitis in *BMC Infectious Diseases*.


RESEARCH

Evaluation of the user experience for a point of care molecular test for causes of vaginitis



Dr. Michelle Blyth (Infectious Diseases) and Dr. Michael Modica (Hospital Medicine) recently published a paper titled "Disseminated Tuberculosis in an Immunocompetent Patient: Does sIL-2R Testing Have Diagnostic Utility?" in *Infectious Diseases in Clinical Practice*.





Dr. Jacques Nsuami and Dr. Julio Figueroa (Infectious Diseases) recently published this viewpoint in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (JAMA)


Direct-to-Consumer Tests for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea





Dr. Rebecca Lillis (Infectious Diseases) recently published this first author paper in the *International Journal of Infectious Diseases*.




International Journal of Infectious Diseases

Evaluation of Mycoplasma genitalium positivity and co-infection with Chlamydia trachomatis and/or Neisseria gonorrhoeae at various care sites across the United States

Mission Monday

This week the Infectious Disease Center HIV Outpatient Program (HOP) was highlighted in the UMC Mission Monday! First established in 1987, HOP provides primary care, subspecialty care, and social services for people with HIV. The University Medical Center commemorated World AIDS Day and NOLA HIV Awareness Week with a variety of educational events held throughout the week. Congratulations to Dr. Lauren Richey (Director, HOP Clinic) and the other members of the HOP team including Dr. Meredith Clement, Dr. Tat Yau, Dr. Paula Seal and Dr. Michael Hagensee (Infectious Diseases). In addition, Dr. Lauren Richey had an interview at WVUE Fox 8 News on 12/5/25 to talk about importance of testing, treatment, and prevention of HIV, and to decrease stigma associated with HIV: https://www.fox8live.com/video/2025/12/05/lcmc-nola-hivaids-awareness-week/







Dr. Fred Lopez (Infectious Diseases) was recently interviewed about respiratory illness after Mardi Gras. You can watch it here:

https://www.fox8live.com/2026/02/27/thousands-louisiana-visited-emergency-rooms-flu-respiratory-illnesses-after-mardi-gras/





Left: Victoria Burke receiving the Aesculapian Society's Excellence in Teaching Award from Jenny Bond (L2) at the annual society banquet.



Dr. Stephanie Taylor (Infectious Diseases) recently published a number of important papers in the area of sexually transmitted infections. These include publications in *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Lancet* and *Sexually Transmitted Diseases*. The citations are listed below:

1. Hook EW 3rd, Dionne JA, Workowski K, McNeil CJ, **Taylor SN**, et al. One Dose versus Three Doses of Benzathine Penicillin G in Early Syphilis. N Engl J Med. 2025 Sep 4;393(9):869-878.

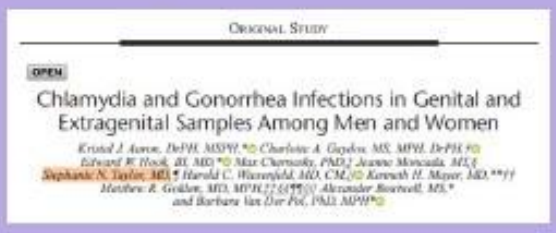
2. Luckey A, Balasegaram M, Barbee LA, Batteiger TA,….**Taylor SN,** et. al. Zoliflodacin versus Ceftriaxone plus Azithromycin for Treatment of Uncomplicated Urogenital Gonorrhoea: An International, Randomised, Controlled, Open-label, Phase 3, Non-inferiority Clinical Trial. Lancet. 2026 Jan 1 0;407(10524):147-160.

3. Aaron KJ, Gaydos CA, Hook EW 3rd, Chernesky M, Moncada J, **Taylor SN**, et. al. Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Infections in Genital and Extragenital Samples Among Men and Women. Sexually Transmitted Diseases. 2025 Oct 1;52(10):597–602.


ORIGINAL ARTICLE

One Dose versus Three Doses of Benzathine Penicillin G in Early Syphilis


Zoliflodacin versus ceftriaxone plus azithromycin for treatment of uncomplicated urogenital gonorrhoea: an international, randomised, controlled, open-label, phase 3, non-inferiority clinical trial


ORIGINAL STUDY

OPEN

Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Infections in Genital and Extragenital Samples Among Men and Women



Inside New Orleans Leading Doctors 2026 Dr Hope Oddo-Moise

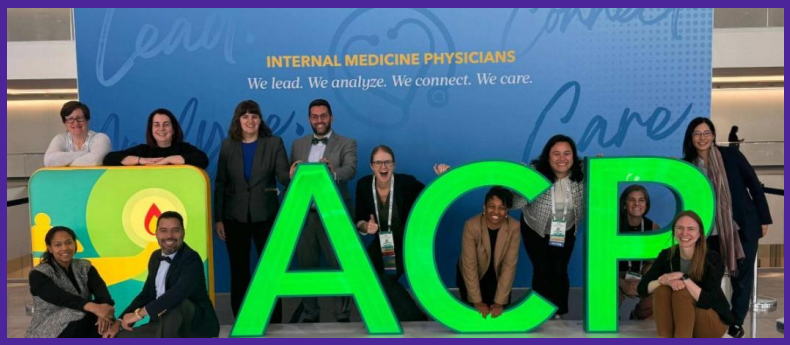
American College of Physicians (ACP) Activities

The American College of Physicians (ACP) Infectious Diseases Medical Knowledge Self-Assessment Program (MKSAP) Committee met recently in Philadelphia to update content and questions. Faculty from the University of California-San Francisco, University of Washington, Vanderbilt University, University of Massachusetts and University of Alabama-Birmingham are part of the committee--LSU had the most representation with 3 faculty members (Dr. Katie O'Neal (Baton Rouge), Dr. Victoria Burke (Infectious Diseases) and Dr. Fred Lopez (Infectious Diseases). *MKSAP has been the go-to gold-standard learning resource for internal medicine physicians for nearly 60 years.*





Above: Victoria Burke attending the ACP Council of Early Career Physicians (CECP) annual meeting in Philadelphia in August 2025. Below: Burke attending the ACP Meeting in San Francisco with other members of the CECP.





Right Top: ACP Leadership Day—Victoria Burke, David Borne, and Angela McLean on the steps of the Capitol with the rest of the Louisiana delegation that met with congressional representatives to advocate for our patients at the ACP's Annual Leadership Day in Washington DC.



Right Bottom: Victoria Burke along with David Borne and the rest of the Louisiana delegation met with Senator Cassidy to advocate for our patients.

American College of Physicians (ACP) Activities



LA ACP Meeting: Rachael Kramas (an ID-interested LSU SOM graduate and new internal medicine intern) won 3rd place in the student poster competition presenting an interesting case of Vibrio vulnificus necrotizing fasciitis and bacteremia seen with Dr. Burke at the ACP Louisiana Chapter Annual Meeting in New Orleans.

The LSU Department of Medicine was well-represented at the recent international ACP Annual Session in San Francisco, CA.

ACP Rapid Board Review 2026

Course Directors: Cynthia J. Brown, MD; Fred A. Lopez, MD

LSU Speakers Fred Lopez, MD (Infectious Diseases)



ACP Internal Medicine Meeting 2026 Highlights

Fred A. Lopez, MD

Dr. Meredith Clement (Infectious Diseases) recently mentored Shreya Mohandas (prospective LSU med student) who presented an oral abstract at the 2026 Southern Regional Meeting of the SGIM. The presentation was titled "Psychiatry Resident Perspectives on HIV Prevention for People Living with Mental Illness (PLMI)." Coauthors included John Wells and Zachary Stielper (psychiatry) and Jennifer Glick (SPH).



The LSU Internal Medicine krewe was also well represented at the recent AAIM conference in Seattle. Attendees included: Victoria Burke, MD



Dr. Lauren Richey (Infectious Diseases) was selected by the ABIM for a standard setting meeting that will help determine the appropriate passing score for the Infectious Disease Longitudinal Knowledge Assessment (LKA).



Dr. Fred Lopez (Infectious Diseases) was the Medicine Grand Rounds speaker at LSU Shreveport. His talk was titled "Update in Infectious Diseases".

Dr. Lauren Richey (Infectious Diseases) recently was awarded additional funding from HRSA End the HIV Epidemic to expand an innovative low barrier, open access clinic to address barriers to HIV care in New Orleans. The clinic goals were to enhance linkage to care, entry and re-entry to care, optimize engagement and retention in care, and consequently improve viral suppression for those who are difficult to engage. The clinic was able to demonstrate significant improvements in care including improved viral suppression rates and a reduction in out of care percentages.



Dr. Lauren Richey (Infectious Diseases) was invited to serve as a member of the Community-Acquired Pneumonia Section Group for the NIH-HIVMA/IDSA Panel for the Guidelines for the Prevention and Treatment of Opportunistic Infections in Adults and Adolescents with HIV. These guidelines are accessed by healthcare professionals across the world and see almost 500,000 page views each year.





The Louisiana State University School of Medicine Pre-Commencement Ceremony occurred on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, and the Department of Medicine was well-recognized by the senior medical students.

Hooders:

Fred Lopez, MD (Infectious Diseases)



Dr. Fred A. Lopez (Infectious Diseases) was the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Visting Professor at LSU Health Shreveport School of Medicine.







Dr. Michelle Blyth (Infectious Diseases) recently published in a special issue of Rare Diseases and Orphan Drugs Journal a review titled "From Ebola to Feline Infectious Peritonitis: The Cross-Species Journey of GS-441524 and the Future of Antiviral Translation".



Dr. Lauren Richey (Infectious Diseases), Dr. Paula Seal (ID), Dr. Tat Yau (ID), and Dr. Michael Gee Psy.D (LSU Psychiatry) attended the International Association of Providers of AIDS Care (IAPAC) Continuum 2026 Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 22-24, 2026. At the conference:

Dr. Paula Seal had an oral abstract presentation titled "Healthy Balance Weight Management Initiative in HIV Care". (Co-authors: Dr. Lauren Richey, Dr. Tat Yau).

Dr. Lauren Richey presented an e-Poster titled "Continuity of Care for People with HIV during and after a Disaster". (Co-authors: Dr. Paula Seal, Dr. Tat Yau).

Dr. Tat Yau presented an e-Poster titled "Statewide Clinical Quality Improvement Collaborative in Louisiana". (Co-authors: Dr. Paula Seal, Dr. Lauren Richey).













Welcome New ID Fellows July 2026 !!!

First day of clinic—

Dr Seal oriented them to the ID clinic. From Left: Asad Ullah, Paula Seal and Brian Mackel



In and Around New Orleans



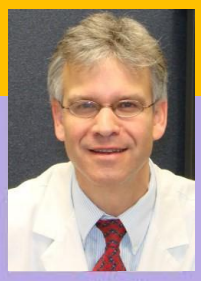



Maren Bell-Do and family at various parades.



Dr. Rebecca Lillis (Infectious Diseases) was recently awarded, with Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, an R01 titled "Next Generation Metabolic Signatures of Infectious Causes of Vaginitis: Small Molecule Metabolite-Based Biomarkers for Diagnosis, Test-of-Cure, and Prediction of Recurrence."

LSU Internal Medicine Research Day was held on April 24, 2026. Dr Mike Hagensee organized the event and was a reviewer. Other reviewers from the ID Section included Dr Hope Oddo-Moise, and Dr Tat Yau.



Dr. Fred Lopez (Infectious Diseases) was recently featured on 4WWL discussing cyclosporiasis in an article titled "Diarrhea-causing parasite illness linked to fresh produce: How to protect yourself"

Read it here: https://www.wwltv.com/article/news/health/diarrhea-causing-parasite-illness-linked-to-fresh-produce-how-to-keep-safe-cyclospora/289-69d7e7f0-9d1d-4deb-bd88-9c4f9a16f2f2

Dr. Fred A. Lopez (Infectious Diseases) has been reappointed as Deputy Editor for the American College of Physicians Medical Knowledge Self-Assessment Program (MKSAP).



MKSAP has been the go-to gold-standard learning resource for internal medicine physicians for nearly 60 years, helping hundreds of thousands of residents and practicing physicians stay current with the latest clinical content, prepare for the ABIM Certification Exam and Maintenance of Certification Exam/LKA and earn CME and MOC. Over 400 experts in internal medicine and its subspecialties assist in ACP MKSAP's rigorous multi-stage content-development and review process, ensuring a level of excellence our residents, practicing physicians, and educators have come to rely on. In addition, ACP MKSAP content experts and editorial staff implement rigorous psychometric activities in the development of ACP MKSAP to ensure it is a meaningful, credible measure of knowledge.



Dr. Meredith Clement (Infectious Diseases) and colleagues published "Prospective HIV RNA Screening With Long-acting Cabotegravir Pre-exposure Prophylaxis in HPTN 083" in the journal *Clinical Infectious Diseases*.

Landovitz RJ, Fogel JM, Gao F, Clement M*, et al. Clinical Infectious Diseases. Published online April 27, 2026:ciag285. doi:10.1093/cid/ciag285\

Dr. Rebecca Lillis (Infectious Diseases) and colleagues published in *BMJ Open*, a protocol for a research study titled "Refining Trichomonas Vaginal Treatment in Women and Men: Protocol for an Open-Label Randomised Comparison of Multi-Dose Oral Metronidazole Versus Single-Dose Oral Secnidazole"



Muzny CA, Lillis RA*, Chavoustie SE, et al. BMJ Open. 2026;16 (4):e116003. doi:10.1136/bmjopen-2025-116003



Dr. Victoria Burke (Infectious Diseases) and colleagues published a paper titled "Infectious Diseases Fellowship Curriculum: IDSA Training Program Directors Community of Practice (TPDCOP), Curricular and Educational REsources Workgroup (CREW)" in *Clinical Infectious Diseases*. The work establishes a standardized "by Program Directors, for Program Directors" framework to modernize training across the U.S.. The guidelines prioritize structured clinical rotations, protected time for scholarly activity and integrated training in antimicrobial stewardship and infection prevention.



LSU ID Fellows Social—ID fellows enjoying lunch and libations at Katie's restaurant after taking their annual in-service examination courtesy of Dr. Burke.





New Puppy—First year fellow Brian Coe introducing his new puppy Ellie to his colleague Blane Edwards

CASTLE CONNOLLY TOP DOCTORS® 2026

Congratulations to our LSU "Best Doctors in New Orleans 2026"





Drs. Paula Seal and Meredith Clement—2 years in a row!!!



De'Angellica Vaughn Allen presented an interesting fatal case of cerebral malaria at the Southern Society for Clinical Investigation's annual Southern Regional Meeting in New Orleans.

Tat Yau
participating in the annual Tiger Run









Shu-Hua Wang (2004) and husband Scott
have run marathons all around the world. Congratulations!!!

In and Around New Orleans





Jazz Fest 2026—Top left—Maren Bell-Do and family; Top Right Maffei



Sail 250 New Orleans—Took place 5/27/26—6/1/26, serving as the first stop in the nationwide maritime celebration of America's 250th anniversary.

LSU ID Alumni in South Florida









Top Left: Joseph H. Etienne ('09), Marco A. Ruiz ('06),

Bottom Left: Nisha P. Aravindakshan-Patel ('16), and Terrance Park ('23).

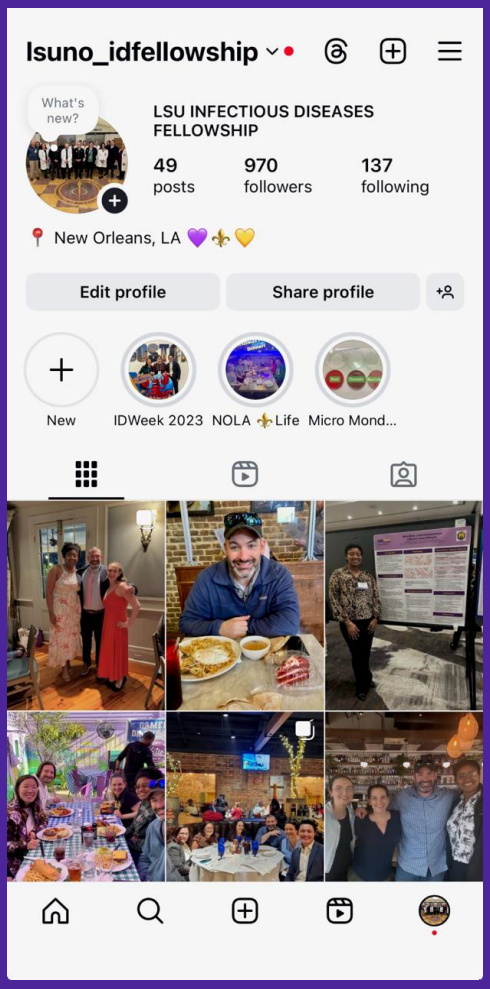
Atlas Infectious Diseases brings top-tier expertise to South Florida, featuring four distinguished graduates of the LSU Infectious Diseases fellowship program: Joseph H. Etienne ('09), Marco A. Ruiz ('06), Nisha P. Aravindakshan-Patel ('16), and Terrance Park ('23). Alongside five fellow physicians, this specialized group delivers comprehensive patient care across six local hospitals and a rehabilitation facility in Palm Beach County. Committed to advancing medical education, the team also serves as clinical faculty for the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine-JFK Medical Center Palm Beach Regional Internal Medicine Residency Program.

LSU ID INFLUENCERS!

The LSU ID New Orleans Instagram account is continuing to flourish as the fellows share their experiences and love for all things ID. Please feel free to email Blane Edwards (bedwa9@lsuhsc.edu) with any photos of interesting cases, presentations/conferences, social events, etc.

Looking for previous issues of the ID newsletter? Find them here on the LSU ID Website:

https://www.medschool.lsuhsc.edu/DOM/Sections/Infectious-Disease/newsletter.aspx



In the spirit of giving...

For the grateful graduate of our program interested in supporting future LSU ID Fellows: did you know that you can earmark donations within the institution to our Infectious Diseases Fellowship Program? All donations generously given to the LSU Health Foundation can be preferentially directed to the LSU ID Fellowship Program account to support our trainees. We utilize these funds to help defray costs for our ID Fellows to attend professional conferences to present their work by covering conference registration fees, travel, and lodging expenses. Foundation funds helped send both of our ID fellows to IDWeek in Washington DC in 2019 for this purpose to present their clinical research. All donations are tax-deductible through this non-profit entity and can even be used to acquire TAF points for the avid LSU sports fan.
For more information, please visit the Foundation website https://www.lsuhealthfoundation.org .

Send us your thoughts on the practice of Infectious Diseases, the changing face of the HIV Epidemic, or anything else you want to share. Let us know how you, your family and your practice are doing. Next issue of Going Viral is the Fall/Winter issue—please send items by November 15, 2026 to be included.

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