

Professional Development Workshop Series - Fall 2025

Fall 2025 (5 sessions)

Friday, August 8 th	
Speaker:	Luanne Thorndyke, M.D.
Session Title:	Utilizing Temperaments to Enhance your Self Awareness and Leadership Effectiveness
Topic:	Self-Reflection and Leadership Identity Formation, Communication
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discover your personal style & learn about other temperament styles Describe how temperament affects our work in groups and our reactions to others Utilize your knowledge of temperaments to enhance communication and team building Analyze conflict situations and consider solutions utilizing the lens of temperament
About the Speaker:	 <p>Dr. Luanne Thorndyke, affiliate professor of medicine at UMMS, is an independent consultant/coach with 25 years of medical school leadership experience at 3 academic health sciences institutions. A nationally known faculty affairs leader, with a decade of leadership as a top medical university administrator in academic affairs. Over ten years of experience in oversight of academic affairs and professional development programming for faculty, post-docs and leaders. Expertise in policy and programmatic development, enriching professional/faculty growth, and furthering organizational strategic goals. Proven skills in oversight of campus governance, promotion/tenure and academic affairs, educational leadership, and administration contributing to individual faculty advancement, organizational vitality and enhanced healthcare delivery. Faculty development scholar who has garnered competitive external grant awards and authored scholarly publications. Distinguished educator who has served as faculty for the Executive Leadership in Academic Medicine (ELAM) and national programs sponsored by the AAMC, Harvard-Macy, and many other organizations.</p>
Date, Time, Location:	August 8, 2025, 1-3pm, Lavaca Conference Room, AT&T Conference Center

Friday, September 12 th	
Speaker:	Archana Chatterjee, M.D., PhD ; Dean, Chicago Medical School; Senior Vice President for Medical Affairs
Session Title:	Being the CEO of your Career
Topic:	Self-Reflection, Career Planning
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define the values and behaviors that affect success. Differentiate various career paths in academic medicine. Describe academic promotion and tenure. Discuss leadership development in academic medicine. Review career planning and development.
About the Speaker:	 <p>Dr. Archana Chatterjee joined Rosalind Franklin University in April 2020 and is Dean of the Chicago Medical School and Senior Vice President for Medical Affairs. For the previous 7 years, she served as Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatrics and Senior Associate Dean for Faculty Development at the University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine (USD SSOM), Sioux Falls, SD. She has spent nearly 12 years as a leader in Faculty Affairs/Faculty Development (FA/FD), initially at Creighton University School of Medicine, and later at USD SSOM.</p>
Date, Time, Location:	September 12, 2025, 1-3pm, Mezzanine Conference Room, AT&T Conference Center (subject to change)

Thursday, October 9 th	
Speaker:	Jamie Dinwiddie, PhD; Director of Change Management at Cincinnati Children's.
Session Title:	Striving for Optimal Wellness Through Changing Times
Topic:	Change Management
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examine how lived experiences shape personal responses to uncertainty and change. Explore the principles of Awareness, Stewardship, Servanthood, and Responsiveness to strengthen one's approach to overcoming adversity with resolve. Commit to a personal action plan that supports achieving optimal wellness—for self and influencing others.
About the Speaker:	 <p>Dr. Jamie D. Dinwiddie is an executive leader and organizational strategist with expertise in change leadership, talent development, and cultural transformation. She currently serves as Director of Change Management, Culture, and Talent Strategy at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, where she leads enterprise-wide initiatives that integrate change strategy, talent management, and workforce well-being.</p> <p>With over 15 years of experience spanning healthcare, higher education, and corporate environments, Dr. Dinwiddie brings a collaborative and human-centered approach to guiding leaders through complex change. As an executive coach, she helps senior leaders align organizational values with strategy, supporting teams as they navigate adversity and build a foundation for long-term sustainability.</p> <p>She holds a Ph.D. in Organizational Leadership, with research focused on how transformational leadership practices influence sustainable outcomes in underserved urban communities. Dr. Dinwiddie frequently leads sessions and speaks on leadership development, change strategy, and fostering employee wellness and engagement.</p> <p>At the core of her work is a simple but powerful belief: when organizations take care of their people, those people take care of the mission. Dr. Dinwiddie is deeply committed to creating environments where individuals feel supported, connected to purpose, and empowered to lead through change with clarity and resilience.</p>
Date, Time, Location:	October 9, 2025, 1-3pm, Lavaca Conference Room, AT&T Conference Center (subject to change)

Tuesday, November 11 th	
Speaker:	Stuart Wolf, M.D., FACS
Session Title:	Navigating Compromise, Standing Firm, and Problem Solving
Topic:	Navigating Conflict, Collaborative Problem Solving
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distinguish between situations that call for compromise versus those that require standing firm, and articulate the leadership principles underlying each approach. Apply structured problem-solving methodologies (e.g., Lean A3, PDCA) to address complex challenges in academic and clinical environments. Demonstrate enhanced skills in collaboration, active listening, and adaptability to achieve win-win solutions while maintaining integrity and ethical boundaries.
About the Speaker:	<p>Stuart Wolf, M.D., FACS, is the executive associate chair, associate chair of clinical integration and operations, chief of the Division of Surgical Subspecialties and professor for the Department of Surgery and Perioperative Care.</p> <p>After receiving his M.D. from Northwestern University, Wolf completed urology residency at UCSF and then an endourology/laparoscopy fellowship with Ralph Clayman. He joined the University of Michigan in 1996 and over the ensuing 20 years he served as the director of the</p>



Division of Endourology, the director of the endourology/laparoscopy fellowship and the associate urology department chair for surgical services. In 2016, he assumed his current role as associate chair for clinical integration and operations of the Department of Surgery and Perioperative Care at Dell Medical School. Wolf has served on the executive committee of the Michigan Urologic Society and the board of directors of the Endourological Society. He formerly chaired the AUA Practice Guidelines Committee and is the inaugural chair of the AUA Science and Quality Council. At the University of Michigan, Wolf received the Silver Cystoscope Award for Urology Residency Teaching Excellence three times (1999, 2002 and 2005). He was appointed the inaugural David A. Bloom Professor of Urology in 2006. The Department of Urology awarded him the Faculty Service Award in 2011 and the Outstanding Achievement Award in 2012. He was inducted into the League of Educational Excellence of the University of Michigan Medical School in 2015 and that year he received the Program Director's Award from the Endourological Society. In 2010, Wolf was elected to the American Association of Genitourinary Surgeons. In 2018, he started a six-year term as a trustee of the American Board of Urology. Early in Wolf's career, he garnered extramural funding for basic science research but then his interests moved to clinic research. His most recent work focuses on urinary calculi, kidney cancer, upper urinary tract obstruction and a variety of quality improvement and patient safety topics. An author of more than 300 peer-reviewed articles and videos, and more than 150 invited publications, Wolf has served on the editorial boards of 11 journals. His scholarly work has been recognized by awards and/or research grants from the American Foundation for Urologic Disease, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Endourological Society, the American Society of Transplant Surgeons, and the AUA and 2 of its Sections. He is currently ranked number 84 in the field of Urology (all-time) on the Microsoft Academic Author Analytics website.

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Thursday, December 11th

Speaker:	Greg Wallingford, M.D., MBA
Session Title:	Metrics, Meaning, Morale: Operationalizing Physician Well-being as a Leader
Topic:	Self-Care
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compare and contrast professional fulfillment and well-being, including their drivers Describe how specific leadership behaviors drive burnout in the clinical setting Apply metrics and frameworks to assess and respond to well-being needs in a healthcare setting Design a leadership action plan, utilizing at least two concepts from this session, to support well-being within one's local work unit
About the Speaker:	 <p>Gregory Wallingford, M.D., MBA, serves as assistant dean for professional fulfillment and well-being at Dell Medical School. He is also an assistant professor in the Department of Internal Medicine and course director for the Foundations of Leadership course. Wallingford is passionate about equipping others with leadership and well-being skills that promote high performance and deepen joy in clinical work. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he collaborated with the Center for Health Communication to develop a rapid debriefing tool to support clinical teams after stressful events. He has also served as chair for the wellness, well-being and burnout special interest group in the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative</p>

	<p>Medicine and has presented and taught locally, regionally and nationally on topics related to professional fulfillment and well-being. He previously served as associate program director for the palliative medicine fellowship at Dell Medical School from and as course director for two undergraduate medical education leadership courses, Applications in Leadership Practice and Service in Leadership Practice.</p>
Date, Time, Location:	December 11, 2025, 2-4pm, Lavaca Conference Room, AT&T Conference Center (subject to change)