

## **DOM NEWS BLAST**

## The LSU Department of Medicine Weekly Communication

<u>Dr. Miranda Mitchell</u> (Baton Rouge) has been selected to receive a 2023 AMWA INSPIRE Award, which celebrates accomplished women in medicine who exemplify the highest values in vision, integrity, service, and collaboration in medicine and healthcare. The AMWA Leadership Council initiated the INSPIRE Awards for the first time in 2021 to honor women physicians who inspire others because of their dedication to health care, compassion for patients, leadership, advocacy, or community service. Recipients of the award are nominated by professional colleagues, supervisors, students, or collaborators.



Congratulations, Dr. Mitchell on this well-deserved honor!

<u>Dr. Casey Murphy</u> (PM&R) received a \$40,000 grant from Boston Scientific to put on the 1<sup>st</sup> cadaver and model workshop to teach Spinal Cord Stimulation, Radiofrequency Nerve Ablation, and Vertiflex Lumbar Decompression at the recent Southern Pain Society's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. <u>Dr. Murphy</u> and <u>Dr. Randy Roig</u> (PM&R) both served on the planning committee for the meetings as well.





The LSU Pain Fellowship was well represented at the recent Southern Pain Society Meetings. The LSU Pain Fellows, <u>Dr. Patrick Fitzsimmons</u>, <u>Dr. E. Thomas Fincke</u>, <u>Dr. Belal Alammar</u>, <u>Dr. Jonathan C. Pham</u> and <u>Dr. Jonathan Liu</u> each had a poster, with either <u>Dr. Casey Murphy</u> (PM&R) or <u>Dr. Randy Roig</u> (PM&R) serving as senior author. Strong work, LSU Pain Fellows!











Dr. Fred A. Lopez (Infectious Diseases) and Dr. Cynthia J. Brown were recently invited to direct the American College of Physicians (ACP) Rapid Board Review 2024 Pre-Course at its Annual Session in Boston, MA on April 16-17, 2024.





<u>Dr. Michael E. Hagensee</u> (Infectious Diseases) will serve as the Interim Director of the Office of Research Services. In this role he plans to focus on increasing research in all the Schools at LSUHSC, to work with our affiliate hospitals and local institutions to promote research endeavors and to increase the growth of the clinical trials office. Dr. Hagensee has served as the Vice Chair for Research for the Department of Medicine for many years, and we have benefitted from his knowledge of research and clinical trials.

Congratulations, Dr. Hagensee, on your new role!



<u>Dr. Ashley Wennerstrom</u> (Community & Population Medicine) recently published a commentary on labor exploitation among community health workers in *The Lancet Global Health*.

Great job, Dr. Wennerstrom!



