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Resources available to learners impacted by executive order

Indiana University School of Medicine, in response to President Donald Trump's Jan. 27 executive order restricting entry into the U.S. by people from seven nations, has

reached out to students who could be directly impacted by the order. Medical Student Education also has provided a [list of resources](#) for learners on all campuses.

“We want to ensure all of our medical students, residents, fellows, faculty and staff who may be impacted know that IU School of Medicine remains an inclusive and welcoming environment. We want to provide whatever support we can to ensure our learners and colleagues know how much we value them as members of our community,” said Dean Jay L. Hess, MD, PhD, MHSA, vice president for university clinical affairs.

For more information on the wider university response, read [IU President Michael A. McRobbie’s statement](#).

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Regional campus tour stops in Terre Haute Feb. 17

IU School of Medicine’s regional campus tour series continues this month with a visit to the Terre Haute campus on Friday, Feb. 17. The tours are designed to enhance how IU School of Medicine operates as one school. Department chairs, clerkship directors and coordinators, and associate and assistant deans from Medical Student Education are visiting all nine campuses on the Medical Adventures Soaring to new Heights (MASH) bus tour. Dean Jay Hess and other executive and associate deans are also participating.

As part of the daylong gatherings, faculty are discussing best practices, troubleshooting issues and meeting with students to share advice about career choices. Leadership from local health care affiliates that host clerkship rotations also attend.

Visits to the Fort Wayne, West Lafayette, Northwest-Gary and Bloomington campuses were conducted in January and late last year. Remaining campus visits for this academic year will occur by late March.

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Mock Site Visit 3 begins this weekend

Mock Site Visit 3--part of final preparations for IU School of Medicine’s April reaccreditation site visit--kicks off Sunday, Feb. 5, and concludes Thursday, Feb. 9. Faculty and staff participating in the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) visit April 23-27 will participate in this third mock event, which is organized as a “dress rehearsal” to match the actual LCME site visit itinerary and includes visits to three regional campuses--Fort Wayne, Muncie and West Lafayette.

[Medical School Accreditation](#) includes more details about the school’s reaccreditation process.

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Research News

Department of Surgery receives grant to study acute radiation exposure

Steven Miller, PhD, associate professor of surgery, and Joseph Unthank, PhD, professor of surgery and physiology, in collaboration with Christie Orschell, PhD, professor of medicine, received a one-year Research Support Funds Grant from IUPUI in the amount of \$35,000. The project funded through this grant, "Role of Abnormal Iron Metabolism in the Development of Delayed Effects of Acute Radiation Exposure," aims to identify mechanisms regulating the onset of delayed effects of acute radiation exposure, which is characterized by multi-organ dysfunction and pathology.

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Faculty and Staff News

Six faculty to participate in advanced scholars program

The IU School of Medicine Division of General Internal Medicine and Geriatrics has selected its first cohort of six faculty scholars to participate in the division's new advanced scholars program.

Lyle Fettig, MD; Jennifer Hur, MD; Areeba Kara, MD, MS, FACP; Emily Machogu, MD; Amy Munchhof, MD, PhD; and Shilpee Sinha, MD, FACP, will participate in the Advanced Scholarship Program for Internists in Research and Education (ASPIRE), a one-year award that provides protected time and senior mentorship for each scholar to develop and conduct a project that fosters their professional development.

ASPIRE's long-term goal is to improve medical care and advance the academic mission of the Division of General Internal Medicine and Geriatrics and its role in the Department of Medicine.

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Register now for IUPUI day camps and receive 20 percent off

For children ages 5-12, IUPUI Day Camps offer a variety of program options, including spring break camps, summer day camps and individual sports camps. The program's mission is to create a safe and encouraging environment where children develop healthy habits while engaged in activities designed to support success at any age, skill and ability level.

Register before Wednesday, Feb. 15, to receive a 20 percent discount. Explore the camp offerings at camps.iupui.edu.

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Opportunities

Breast cancer research funding available

Two pilot funding opportunities are available for awards up to \$100,000 each to support breast cancer research investigators. The awards are funded by the Vera Bradley Foundation for Breast Cancer and the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center.

One of the opportunities invites applications from researchers outside IU Simon Cancer Center to initiate new research partnerships. View [this PDF](#) for application requirements and details. The second opportunity targets applications for a collaborative research award to support investigations using the resources (tissue and annotation) of the [Susan G. Komen Tissue Bank](#). Details on this opportunity are available in [this PDF](#).

Applications for both opportunities are due Friday, March 17.

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Historical photo display highlights FDR's visit to Riley Hospital for Children

The Riley Hospital Historic Preservation Committee (RHPC), in partnership with the Riley Children's Foundation and the IUPUI University Library Special Collections and Archives, is showcasing historical photos from President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Sept. 5, 1936, visit to Indianapolis.

The photos, which show President Roosevelt's visit to Riley Hospital for Children, are on display in the lobby of the hospital's Ruth Lilly Learning Center and will be available for viewing through June.

This is the first historical photo display to be presented by the RHPC; another display is planned for the second half of 2017. The RHPC celebrates and preserves the history of Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health, which marks its centennial year in 2024.

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Apply by March 29 for IU Health Quality and Education Awards

Applications are now being accepted for IU Health's annual Quality and Education Awards, which focus on recognizing work that promotes improved patient care and safety, and excellence in education and research. Each year, the IU Health Board of Directors Committee on Quality and Patient Safety and IU Health leadership recognize

medical and health care residents and students, as well as nurses and staff in two categories:

Medical and health care residents and students, and nursing scholars--up to four awards for original work in quality and patient safety where educational partners play a role in shaping institutional climate.

IU Health staff--up to three awards for original work promoting quality and patient safety.

Interested applicants should contact Dawn Sethman, dsethman@iuhealth.org or 317.962.8258, for required documentation and additional details. Applications are due Wednesday, March 29. Winners will be notified by the end of April.

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Transgender Health Conference is March 10

Learn about the unique health risks and barriers to health care in the transgender population, as well as the basic elements of transgender-specific health care at the Friday, March 10, Transgender Health Conference. Providers will learn to facilitate respectful, patient-centered, culturally competent health care to all patients, including transgender patients.

Training will be done by knowledgeable practitioners who are currently providing health care to the transgender population in Indianapolis, including gender-affirming hormones, surgery, mental health care, speech therapy, medical nutrition, HIV prevention and legal services.

Registration on March 10 begins at 7 am with a light breakfast; conference programming begins at 7:30 am. Pre-registration is required, but there is no cost to attend. This conference qualifies for Continuing Medical Education credit.

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Communication, Medicine and Ethics Conference coming in June

The 15th annual Communication, Medicine and Ethics (COMET) Conference, to be held at IUPUI June 26-28, brings together scholars from different disciplinary backgrounds involving health care specialties and the human and social sciences. Special emphasis is on ongoing research in language, discourse and communication studies related to health care education, patient participation and professional ethics.

For details, visit liberalarts.iupui.edu.

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All--Celebrate Black History Month

Indiana University campuses across the state have planned special events in February to honor African-American heritage and culture during Black History Month. Music, films, speakers and more are [on the schedule](#).

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