

## GW Heart and Vascular Institute e-Newsletter: October 2023

### GW Teaches and Mentors in National Cardiology Young Scholars Program



Full Group of ACC Young Scholars

GW Faculty **Dr Andrew Choi**, Co-Director of Multimodality Cardiac Imaging and fellows (Drs. Ezra Lee, Malik Ghawanmeh and Roy Taoutel) were recently invited by the American College of Cardiology to teach and mentor > 150 highly talented high school and college students from all across the United States + Argentina and Germany. Many of the recruited "young scholars" are from under-represented backgrounds or communities in cardiovascular medicine.

The GW Team taught imaging of the heart "in the palm of your hand" through handheld mobile device-based ultrasound imaging to each student while providing mentoring advice. Other lectures focused on heart healthy living, hands-on training and careers in medicine.



Dr. Andrew Choi + Drs Ezra Lee and Roy Taoutel at American College of Cardiology



Dr. Malik Ghawanmeh teaching handheld imaging of the heart with a student

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**Dr. Panjrath representing the GW Heart and Vascular  
Institute as Cardiologist, Educator, Lecturer and  
Advocate**



American College of Cardiology Logo

**Dr. Panjrath** participated in various Board of Governors meetings at American College of Cardiology; he also participated in legislative conference. The primary focus of the legislative conference was to educate and advocate congressional staff and leaders on the importance of improved access to medications, reduce burdensome prior authorization efforts and ease of delivery and referral for cardiac rehabilitation.

Moreover, the critical need of requiring schools to have automated external defibrillators, AED training and Medicare adjustments focused on long term payment reform.

Further impact via the American College of Cardiology includes the following:

- In partnership with the George Institute of Australia, Dr. Panjrath was an invited faculty leader on research randomized clinical trials for participants in Asia.
- Participated in question writing for ACC's Collaborative Maintenance Pathway (CMP) Heart Failure Questions.
- Served as Chair for Member Well-Being.
- Working group member for Strategic Planning, Accreditation Oversight Committee, Food in Medicine and BOG committees
- Planning committee member for the annual ACC Delaware meeting.



Heart Failure Society of America's Logo

As moderator and lecturer, **Dr. Panjrath** participated at Heart Failure Society of America Scientific Sessions on “Barostimulation as an option for NYHA II/III HFrEF patients”.



Sinai Hospital, LifeBridge Health Logo

As a medical grand rounds speaker at Sinai Hospital, LifeBridge Health, **Dr. Panjrath** spoke on New Frontiers in Heart Failure Management.

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