

Department of Urology



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Message from the Chairman

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Despite the challenges we faced from the COVID-19 pandemic and continue to face today, it has been an amazing year of growth and stability for the Department of Urology. Now, with a sense of excitement and optimism for the future of urology, we embark on another academic year in the Department.

I'd like to welcome some former University graduates David Abramowitz, M.D., Jackie Gonka-Griffo, M.D. and Gina Tundo, M.D. who are helping mentor our Residents now that they've embarked on their professional careers. I'd also like to welcome Ahmad Mohamed, M.D., pediatric urologist, who completed a fellowship at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio and will be joining our Faculty this Fall. Dr. Mohamed is relocating to the Western New York area from Kentucky and will be mentoring the Residents at Oishei Children's Hospital. Along with the recent additions, we've also experienced some recent departures of faculty members who are moving on to the next chapter in their lives – retirement!

Kevin Barlog, M.D., one of my partners at Western New York Urology Associates retired at the end of the summer after 34 years in practice. We sincerely thank him for all of his years of service and countless contributions to the Department. Pierre Williot, M.D., pediatric urologist at Pediatric Urology of Western New York, recently joined Dr. Barlog in retirement. After 35 years in practice, we thank him for his service and contributions. We wish Drs. Barlog and Williot all the very best as they embark on their respective retirement journeys.

Our Residents have continued to have quite a bit of involvement in Research including several ongoing projects as well as abstract development and presentations at the AUA Northeast Section meeting and the AUA annual meeting both held in September 2021. I'd like to congratulate Nicole Alavi-Dunn, M.D., Adam Russon, D.O., Harold Hamann, M.D., Eric Chevli, M.D., Nicole Belko, M.D., Michael Shapiro, M.D., Kyle Waisanen, M.D. and Jacob Rubin, M.D. for their abstract presentations at these national meetings.

Resident interviews will be held in the coming months for the 2022 academic year. Our Residents have a strong hand in shaping the trajectory of the program and I am confident we will once again have some excellent matches. While our Residents change every year with the match and graduation, our program remains steadfast: unparalleled excellence in education, training, research and urology care.

Wishing you and your families a Happy Fall.

Faculty Retirements



Kevin Barlog, MD, FACS

After 34 years of dedicated service, Kevin Barlog, MD, FACS, has retired effective July 30, 2021. We thank Dr. Barlog for all of his years of service in Buffalo and wish him all the best in retirement. Thank you, Dr. Barlog!



Pierre Williot, MD, FRCSC, FAAP, FACS

After over 35 years of dedicated service, Pierre Williot, MD, FRCSC, FAAP, FACS, has retired from Pediatric Urology of Western New York effective September 30, 2021. We thank Dr. Williot for all of his years of service in Buffalo and wish him all the best in his new journey. Thank you, Dr. Williot!

Welcome, Dr. Mohamed



Please welcome Dr. Ahmad Mohamed.

Dr. Mohamed has joined our team as a new pediatric urologist starting October 4th. As a fellowship-trained pediatric urologist with over a decade of experience, Dr. Mohamed's knowledge of real-world practice patterns and the importance of providing patients with high-quality care will allow him to skillfully guide our residents during their time with him at Oishei Children's Hospital. Dr. Mohamed is coming from Kentucky, where he most recently provided care at Norton Children's Medical Group. He completed his residency in 2005 with the Cairo University Hospitals, and his fellowship at Nationwide Children's Hospital, Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. Dr. Mohamed will be working alongside Dr. Young and Allyson Fried, NP at Oishei Children's Hospital.

Welcome, Dr. Mohamed!

The Northeastern Section of the American Urological Association



On September 3-5, 2021, the Northeastern Section of the AUA hosted its annual meeting. The meeting was held virtually this year. Seven abstracts were presented by residents or medical students.

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Nicole Alavi-Dunn, MD; Zafardjan Dalimov; Adam Russon, DO; Matthew Brennan, DO. She for E(rectile) D(ysfunction): A Statistical Analysis of Female Urologists Treating Male Sexual Dysfunction. Northeastern Section of the American Urological Association. Montréal, Québec, Canada. September 3-5, 2021.

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2021 Resident Interview Dates

For the safety of all, the SAU is mandating that all urology programs conduct resident interviews virtually again in 2021.

This year, we will hold interviews on November 6, November 13, and December 11.



Department of Urology Presentations by Visiting Professors

Dr. Nahomy Calixte, Urologist, Orlando Health, presented "**Management of Testicular Pain**" at the Department of Urology Grand Rounds conference on Thursday, August 12th.

Dr. Ryan Nelson, Urologist, Michigan Institute of Urology, presented "**Single Port Prostatectomy**" at the Department of Urology Grand Rounds conference on Thursday, September 30th.



Dr. Chevli poses with Dr. Calixte after Grand Rounds on August 12, 2021.

Scholarly Activity

Awards and Recognition

Nicole Alavi-Dunn, MD: Reappointed as a resident member to the University at Buffalo Residents Committee (UBRC). July 2021.

Patrick Vecellio, MD: Appointed as a resident member to the University at Buffalo Residents Committee (UBRC). July 2021.

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Conference/Courses Attended

Harold Hamann, MD: Attended the Cook Medical Resident Training Session. San Diego, CA. August 20, 2021.

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Nicole Alavi-Dunn, MD: Attended the Prosthetic Urology Institute: Resident Course. Tampa Bay, Fla. October 1, 2021.

Kyle Waisanen, MD: Attended the 2021 AUA Early-Career Investigators Workshop. Linthicum, Md. October 7-9, 2021.

If you have any news that you'd like to contribute to the next issue of the newsletter, please email them to Steve Crowe at scrowe2@buffalo.edu.

