

# Emergency Medicine Global Learning Exchange

# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



**Emergency Medicine Global Learning** Exchange (EMGLEX) is a not-forprofit organization whose purpose is to support international educational exchange programming for **Emergency Medicine residents and** educators. We focus on higher income countries with well developed healthcare systems, but no, or new Emergency Medicine specialty status. It was founded with hard work and partnership built between colleagues in the United States and Italy, and we are now expanding to collaborate with many exciting new countries.

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# A Message from Our Founder and Director

Greetings! We are proud to present our combined October/November newsletter! We have been very busy in the last couple of months! Our 2023 Exchange Program is now full, it will be our biggest, most diverse group ever. We have been globetrotting, attending conferences, doing presentations, and teaching EM around the world, please read on to learn more!

As a reminder, we are a 501C3 organization, and all funds go directly towards assisting exchange program participants. Now more than ever, we need your help to support the expenses of our incoming exchange participants. Please consider making a donation in any amount you are able as we close out 2022. Remember, it is tax deductible!

My sincerest thanks as always! Alexandra Aarow



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# The 2023 Flagship Exchange Program is now full, rotations to begin in January!



We are proud to announce that applications have been closed, interviews have been done, and the 2023 Flagship Exchange Program calendar is now complete! We would like to congratulate everyone who was accepted into this program. The most diverse group we have ever had by far, there were nearly 100 applications from 17 countries and 4 continents. We are so pleased with the response we have gotten, and are more motivated than ever by our future participants enthusiasm! We look forward to working with participants in Gainesville and Chicago to expand access to emergency medicine education. This coming year, we will have 6 visiting participants per month, 3 in Chicago and 3 in Gainesville. Stay tuned for more details to be shared on our website in the coming days!

#### **Virtual Conference Series!**

Our virtual conference series continues! Our most recent virtual conference was on Nov 3 just this past week. The country of the month was Germany to honor the European Society of Emergency Medicine 2022 Congress in Berlin this past October. It was great to hear about the status of EM in Germany, and learn about new treatments for APAP overdose.. We hope to see you next time on December 1, link below! Please visit our youtube channel to watch this and other conferences anytime!



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChGUKyVG j7xszgUE8xCnUpQ

https://www.freeconferencecall.com/wall/emglex/international

#### **10th International Ambassador Conference**



On October 1st, Dr. Asrow (virtually) attended the 10th International American College of Emergency Physicians Ambassador Conference. It was an informative and interactive meeting which provided a wonderful opportunity to discuss the state of the specialty with other physicians from around the world, and learn about recent and ongoing research/projects. Once again we would like to congratulate Dr. Asrow on being named the new Chair of the American College of Emergency Physicians International Ambassadors Program!

### **Fulbright Association National Conference Presentation**

From October 6th to October 9th, Dr. Asrow and past interns Alyscia Batista, William Forys, and Mikaela Lies attended the Fulbright Association Conference in Bethesda, Maryland.

There the team presented about issues facing the healthcare systems of many high-income countries, the lack of access to emergency medical care, the refugee crisis, and more. They discussed how COVID exacerbated these concerns, discussed EMGLEX and how we are working to address the situation, and our plans for the future.

We are so proud of our team, and look forward to lots more great presentations in the future!



### **2022 European Society of Emergency Medicine Congress**

From October 16-20, Dr. Asrow attended and participated in the 2022 European Society of Emergency Medicine Congress in Berlin, Germany. On the way there she made a quick stop in Stockholm to visit and learn about the EM system there. Dr. Asrow got to meet up with a number of past and future EMGLEX Exchange Program participants in person, attended great lectures, and made lots of new connections with Emergency Physicians from around the world. She participated in simulation training with DGINA, the German Society of Emergency Medicine, worked with representatives from ACEP, EUSEM, the International Federation of Emergency Medicine, and more. She also worked to make new connections between colleagues who are working to provide medical aid for the ongoing situation in Ukraine, and hopes to be able to continue this work in the future.

We look forward to what we will accomplish with our new connections, and are excited for upcoming international conferences in the future.

Join us next June 13-16 at the International Conference on Emergency Medicine in Amsterdam, Netherlands, where Dr. Asrow will be presenting and attending as well!



## **Geriatric Emergency Medicine Joint Pharmacy Conference**



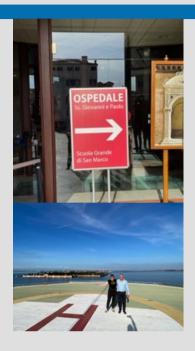
On Monday, October 24, Dr. Asrow presented a conference on Geriatric Emergency Medicine in conjunction with Jenny Kohl, PharmD, an ED pharmacist from Harvard University, at the University of Pavia in Italy, hosted by Dr. Giovanni Ricevuti, former EM Residency Director, at the historic Collegio Borromeo, founded in 1561. This was a great collaborative opportunity, and was attended by pharmacy, medicine, and other learners alike. We look forward to future collaborations, and are proud to have been included in such a great program.

#### **Italian Exchange and Simulation Conference**

On Friday October 28th, Dr. Asrow and past exchange participant Dr. Simone Navarra hosted an exchange and simulation conference at the Umberto Primo Hospital in Rome, Italy. Our current intern, Melissa Bornovali was also in attendance! At this meeting Italian emergency medicine residents learned about international exchange programs, listened to insights from past participants in the program, and spent the remainder of the day participating in guided emergency medicine simulations and debrief sessions. Residents and nurses from multiple hospitals and organizations participated in collaborative teams, and learned new skills together. The days simulation focused on teaching intubation skills, pediatric life support, and more. This conference was done in partnership with the Gemelli Hospital, La Sapienza University, the Umberto Primo Hospital, and the Loyola University John Felice Rome Center.



## **Historic Venice, Italy Hospital Visit**



On Tuesday, October 25, Dr. Asrow was kindly hosted by Dr. Michele Alzetta, a long-time friend of EMGLEX and personal friend, and the director of the Emergency Department of the historic Ospedale Ss. Giovanni e Paolo in Venice Italy for an in depth behind the scenes tour. Founded in 1437 by the Scola San Marco, this amazing hospital has a storied history. It was an incredible place to feel oneself a part of history, and have the best view of Venice anywhere from the helipad! We are so grateful to Dr. Alzetta for this incredible experience! For more info, see: https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/s12682-010-0067-1.pdf

#### **Support Our Cause**

Please consider making a tax deductible donation to our 501C3 organization to show support for global Emergency Medicine Education and invest in global public health.

We need your support now more than ever to help our 2023 exchange participants cover the cost of travel and living expenses.



Below is the link for paypal donations, and the PO box if you would prefer to mail a check:

https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\_button\_id=PPWJAU5YYHSE6

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Thanks again for your support, see you on November 3 at the virtual conference at 11am CST!