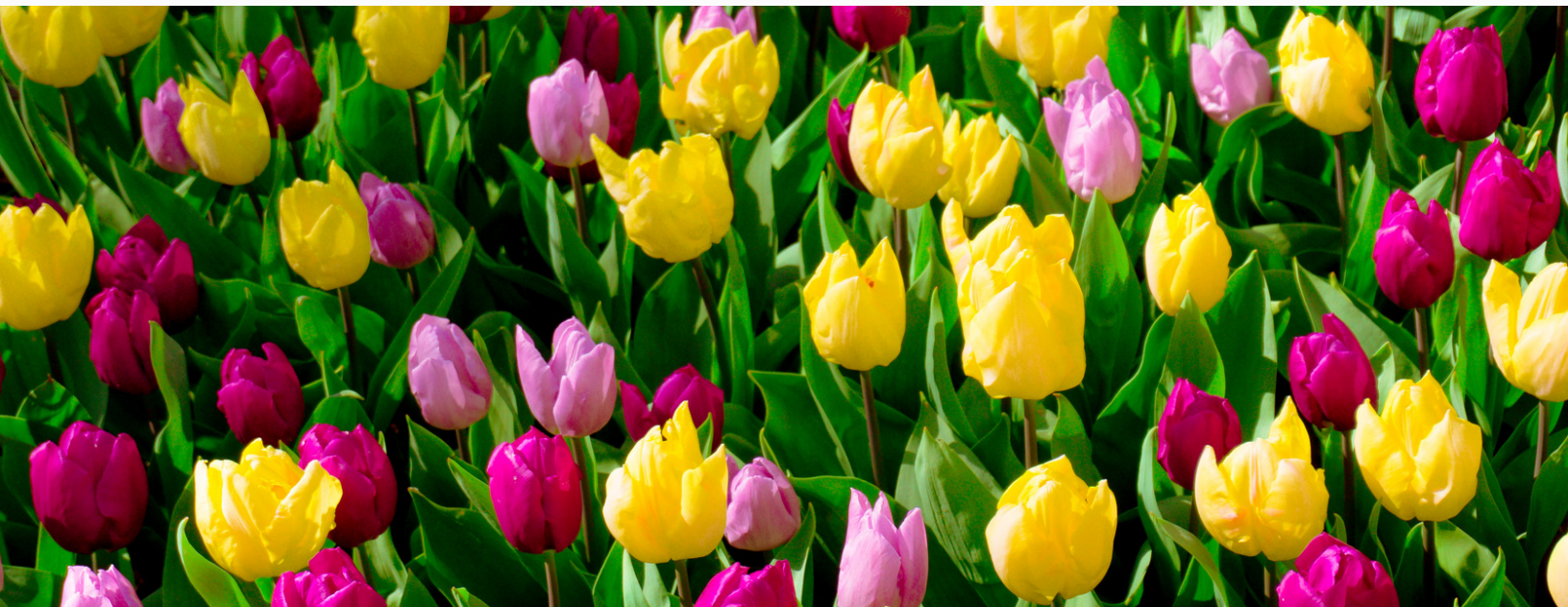


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CONNECTIONS

A quarterly newsletter brought to you by the Office for Continuous Professional Development



"Spring is nature's way of saying, 'Let's party!'" -- Robin Williams

GREETINGS TO ALL!



by Lori Deitte, MD, & Monique Drago, MA, EdD

Welcome to the third issue of our *CPD/CME Connections* Newsletter -- and to the first day of spring!

We're in the midst of celebrating Women's History Month here at the Office for Continuous Professional Development, and we're reminded of something Dolly Parton said: "If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, then you are an excellent leader." In this issue we spotlight Lourdes Estrada, PhD, in her newly appointed role as Assistant Dean of Health Equity Education, and her role as Director for Vanderbilt Academy for Excellence in Education (AEE).

Spring is the season of hope. It's time to wake from winter's rest, start over again if you have to, breathe the fresh air, and allow yourself to have fun. In honor of supporting a solid work-life balance, in this issue we've included a spring word search puzzle with a hidden mystery message. We continually strive for excellence, but we could not do any of it without you. As we head into the spring season, we would like to thank you again for your continued commitment to VUMC CPD/CME.

We welcome your feedback and suggestions on this newsletter.

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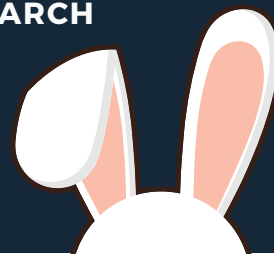
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MOC II UPDATE

Announcement Regarding the American Board of Ophthalmology

Effective March 1, 2023, the American Board of Ophthalmology (ABO) is no longer participating in the Program and Activity Reporting System (PARS) collaboration through the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). Therefore, new activities will not be able to be registered for ABO MOC II and credit for ABO MOC II learners can no longer be reported as of March 1, 2023. The ABO MOC II credit that was awarded at the Ophthalmology MMI Conference on Feb 3, 2023 has already been reported ahead of the March 1st deadline. If you have questions concerning this, please email mocportfolio@vumc.org.



CNE INTAKE FORM

The VUMC ANCC Accredited Provider Unit will require all activity contacts to complete a new activity request for each calendar year. This change will allow them to partner with you in the educational design process to assess and address ongoing gaps in knowledge, skill, or practice. To aid in this change, the VUMC ANCC Accredited Provider Unit team has designed a streamlined [request form](#) that will take less than five minutes to complete. If you have not already done so, please submit this form to avoid an interruption in service from their team.



SPOTLIGHT ON: LOURDES ESTRADA, PHD

Lourdes Estrada, PhD, is the newly appointed Assistant Dean of Health Equity Education; Associate Professor, Department of Biochemistry; Associate Director, Academic Programs & Operations for the Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP); and Director, Vanderbilt Academy for Excellence in Education (AEE).

Dr. Estrada, how do you manage to do all that you do? "To be honest, sometimes I don't know how I do it. Generally, I like to be organized and I can move from task to task most days with some ease. My calendar synched in all my devices is essential to keep me on track. But mostly, I am surrounded by amazingly supportive and effective teams that remind me every day why the work we do in the education of our future physicians, physician-scientists, and our faculty is critical to achieving the health of our communities. The work I do inspires me and motivates me each day and therefore, it doesn't feel like a job but a calling. That certainly makes it much easier! Finally, the support of my husband and son to do what I love makes it possible for me to continue growing in my profession."

What are five interesting things about you? "Those who know me already know that I was born and raised in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico (PR) to a family of five children. I am the second and only one to attend college. I was a competitive swimmer all through college and had the honor of being part of the PR national swimming team. I completed my PhD (Pharmacology) at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and I have been at Vanderbilt since 2004. My role as Associate Director of the Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP) allows me to assist our physician-scientists exceptional trainees meet their professional and personal goals. It is a true honor to give back what many mentors gave me. My newest role to design and implement a meaningful health equity education curriculum in our medical school is a dream come true. If there is any place where we can truly make a difference in eliminating health disparities and elevating health equity, it is here at the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. I look forward to the challenge."



"Pursue your unique gifts and know there's a need for your voice in whatever space that is."

-- Megan Piphus Peace



AEE & EDP ANNOUNCEMENTS



Academy for Excellence in Education (AEE).

Monday, April 24, 2023: Kevin B. Churchwell, President/CEO of Boston Children's Hospital, at Light Hall 208 for "The Importance of EDI for Medical Education in the Hospital Setting," 12-1pm. [Register](#)

Educator Development Program (EDP).

- The Basics for Conducting Research at Vanderbilt: Wed, Mar 29, 1-2pm. [Register](#)
- Teaching Clinical Presentation Skills: Fri, Mar 31, 1.30-3.30pm. [Register](#)
- Effective and Efficient Clinical Teaching in the Ambulatory Setting: Thurs, May 4, 1-3pm. [Register](#)
- Positive Intelligence: Tues, June 20, 1-3pm. [Register](#)



WHAT IS CPD'S DISCLOSURE PROCESS?

The Standards for Integrity and Independence in Accredited Continuing Education are designed to ensure that accredited continuing education serves the needs of patients and the public, is based on valid content, and is free from commercial influence. CPD implemented a new disclosure process and timeframes January 2022 which apply to all continuing education activities:

- All CME activities are required to have disclosures completed no later than **10-business days** prior to the activity start date.
- If we request a presentation to review, it must be uploaded into CloudCME no later than **5-business days** prior to the activity start date.
- If changes are requested for the presentation due to a conflict of interest, the updated presentation must be uploaded no later than **3-business days** prior to the activity start date.

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Our goal is to maintain compliance with our regulatory body while ensuring we make the process efficient and effective for us all. If you would like to review the disclosure process, the presentation can be found [here](#). Some of the most common FAQs regarding the disclosure process and timeframes can be found [here](#). For more information on the disclosure process or to review other helpful how-to articles for activity directors, CME associates, and learners, please visit our [Resources](#) page.

OCPD IN THE NEWS

In an effort to "present and describe the work of CPD leadership teams at SACME member institutions," Helen Mawdsley, EdD, and Robert D'Antuono, MHA, Co-Editors of *CE News*, a quarterly publication of SACME (Society for Academic Continuing Medical Education), recently interviewed Dr. Deitte and Dr. Drago in a Spotlight piece titled, *Vanderbilt CPD: Embracing the Future*.



Dr. Deitte and Dr. Drago answered questions on CME/CPD leadership and governance structure; maintaining relationships; the various infrastructures that support CME/CPD and how our program is financed and supported; successes (and challenges) we've had promoting data-driven interventions; activities we consider to be innovative; challenges and opportunities we face in the next decade; and how we address implementation of new programming. Click [here](#) for a brief transcript of the interview -- or, better yet, watch the video and see Dr. Deitte and Dr. Drago in Q&A action!



"If you pour your heart and soul into it like I did, you're destined to succeed." -- Clarice Phelps



Spring

A word search puzzle with a hidden mystery message!

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BUZZING

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CHEERFUL

CHICKS

CHOCOLATE

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DAISIES

DAYLIGHT

DUCKLINGS

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EGGS

FLORAL

FLOURISHING

GARDEN

GERMINATION

HATCH

LADYBUGS

LAMBS

MARIGOLDS

MEADOW

MIGRATION

NATURE

NEST

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OUTDOORS

PARADE

PASSOVER

PASTEL

PICNICS

PIGLETS

PLANTING

POLLEN

SOIL

SPROUT

TULIPS

WEEDS

Find all the words in the list.

Once you find all the words,
circle the unused letters
starting in the top left
corner, putting them into
the blanks to reveal the
hidden message.

Extra credit if you
know who said it.



CPD UPDATES

We are quickly approaching our reaccreditation for ACCME. This process will help ensure we can continue to offer Continuing Medical Education credits for your activities. During this time, we ask for your patience and assistance as we may be reaching out to you for more information about your activity to feature in our report.

If your activity involves hands-on skill training, tracking of quality improvement metrics and/or collaboration with community organizations, please contact Dr. Deitte or Dr. Drago at cme@vumc.org as we would love to explore with you the potential for highlighting your activity in our report. We appreciate all you do for continuing education to improve patient healthcare outcomes.



CME REMINDERS

Some friendly reminders from your CME Team:

- All participants in an activity should text in the CME code regardless of CME eligibility—the code is also used to record attendance.
- Activity applications are due *120 days in advance* of the activity start date for Courses and *90 days in advance* of the activity start date for RSS applications.
- No promotions of an activity can occur prior to approval.
- Activity presentations do not need to be submitted unless they are requested by a CME team member.
- Disclosures must be submitted *10 business days* in advance of the activity start date.
- Course budgets and invoices are due upon request.
- Courses must submit a new application every calendar year (*120 days in advance*).



"Behold, the spring has come; the earth has received the embraces of the sun and we shall soon see the results of that love!"

-- Sitting Bull

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