

### E-Board Welcome

#### Hello AMP!

As we reflect on last year's many successful undertakings, we can't help but be excited looking forward to even more community building, recruitment, scholarship activities and celebrations of the many accomplishments and talents of the AMP members. We ended the year with an inspirational Graduation Gala, where we were reminded that, to most effectively touch our patients' lives, they have to believe that we truly care *about* them and not just for them. We sent our graduating residents and fellows off with this message and welcome the incoming housestaff with the same, as well as a reminder to AMP members (new and old) that AMP exists to be a community that cares for and supports each other. We invite you to get involved in any way you can. Visit our website or e-mail us with any questions and ideas.

### 2015 AMP Graduation Gala Recap



On May 1st, AMP celebrated our second annual Graduation Gala for the 2015 graduating AMP housestaff at the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology. The event was attended by several department/division chairs, deans, and distinguished faculty who joined fellow AMP medical students, residents, and fellows to congratulate our graduating housestaff. The night began with opening remarks from our founder, Dr. Iris Reyes, who reflected on AMP's history and touched on AMP's future plans. She was followed by Dr. Larry Jameson (Dean of the Perelman School of Medicine) and Dr. Stephen Ludwig (Chairman of the CHOP GME and CME Committee) who both emphasized the importance of AMP in the UPHS-CHOP community and solidified their continued support of AMP's efforts. The evening's keynote speaker was Dr. John L. Jackson, Jr., Dean of the School of Social Policy and Practice and Richard Perry University Professor at the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Jackson reflected on the recent racial tensions in our local and national communities and underscored the importance of the presence of an organization such as AMP at a prestigious and influential institution like the University of Pennsylvania in light of these recent events.

Following Dr. Jackson's words of wisdom, each graduate in attendance was honored and presented with a gift bag. Congratulations to the following housestaff who were in attendance: Ruth Abaya, MD, MPH (Emergency Medicine Fellow, CHOP), Carina Behrens, MD (Psychiatry Resident, HUP), Marisol Betensky, MD (Hematology-Oncology Fellow, CHOP), Adrienne Clark, MD (Psychiatry Chief Resident, HUP), Alison Culyba, MD, MPH (Adolescent Medicine Fellow, CHOP), Jenaro Hernandez, DO (Geriatrics Fellow, HUP), Yeami Kousari, MD (Pediatric Radiology Fellow, CHOP), La Toya Lucas, MD (OB-GYN Resident, PAH), Ariel Salas, MD, MSPH (Pediatrics Resident, CHOP), Alexis Tingan, MD (PM&R Chief Resident, HUP), Claudia Soler Alfonso, MD (Biochemical Genetics Fellow, CHOP), Shanniqua Williams, MD, MEng (Epilepsy Fellow, HUP Neurology).



### Getting to Know...Christina Twyman-Saint Victor, MD



**Dr. Christina Twyman-Saint Victor** completed her undergraduate education at Duke University and received her medical degree from Johns Hopkins University, where she also completed residency in internal medicine. She continued her training as a fellow in gastroenterology at HUP. Dr. Twyman-Saint Victor is currently an attending in gastroenterology at HUP and serves as a professional development advisor for AMP.

#### What made you interested in your current field of medicine?

"I enjoy doing procedures as well as having a continuity clinic. I also wanted a field that is conducive to laboratory research. GI has interesting pathophysiology, allows me to do procedures, and provides ample opportunities for research."

#### What do you enjoy about working in the UPHS-CHOP system?

"The research opportunities and the ability to collaborate with colleagues across the health systems, which is very important for providing patients the best care possible."

#### What are some of your favorite things to do in Philly?

"Walk around aimlessly window shopping and eat!"

#### Any words of wisdom to share?

"**Stay positive.** Being a physician is a huge responsibility that will require hard work and dedication. It is all worth it though!"