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International Street Medicine Symposium

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WELCOME!

Welcome to 20th annual International Street Medicine Symposium (ISMS), hosted by Care Beyond the Boulevard here in Kansas City. We are incredibly excited to celebrate this milestone in the history of the Street Medicine Institute. For two decades, the international street medicine community has convened to learn from experts, explore best practices, and collaborate on innovative solutions to address the health and social needs of people sleeping rough. Since that first symposium in 2005, our gathering has grown from 25 participants to the 525 people surrounding you today!

The ISMS, under the direction of the Street Medicine Institute, is the world's only international educational forum designed exclusively for health care and social service workers who serve rough-sleeper homeless populations. You represent the millions of our siblings living on the streets throughout the world; we (and they) are honored by your participation. In the past 20 years, over 500 street medicine programs have sprouted in communities throughout the world, spanning 6 continents.

This year, ISMS opens with the ever-popular pre-symposium workshop, Street Medicine 101, focused on helping young street medicine programs launch and thrive. As always, the main symposium program offers an inspiring array of informative lectures, skills-focused workshops, thought-provoking discussions, and ground-breaking research representing a broad range of topics pertaining to the health care of people sleeping rough, delivered by many of the world's foremost street medicine experts. We are particularly enthusiastic for the host city day highlighting the work of Care Beyond the Boulevard. We will learn from their creativity working in a city spanning the border of two U.S. states, as well as their efforts to address sex trafficking, coordinate a vast number of volunteers, and include people who have lived unsheltered in every aspect of their programming. We also have the honor of hearing from Chastity Bowick, an award-winning activist, civil rights leader, and transgender health advocate. Drawing on her own experience of living unsheltered as a trans woman, Chastity will share her tireless efforts to support the health and wellbeing of transgender survivors of homelessness, intimate partner violence, drug use, sexual assault, and survival sex work.

Your continued commitment to the Street Medicine movement is essential to the vision that all people sleeping rough throughout the world will have access to quality health care and hope. In turn, we hope you will feel inspired, refreshed, and connected amongst your Street Medicine family. Please do not hesitate to call on any of us at the Street Medicine Institute if there is anything we can do to make your experience at ISMS 2024 more enjoyable and fulfilling.

In solidarity and service,



Liz Frye, MD, MPH
Chair, 20th annual International Street Medicine Symposium
Vice Chair, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute

Withers Family Keynote Address

Chastity Bowick



Chastity Bowick is an award-winning activist, civil rights leader, and transgender health advocate. For seven years, she led the Transgender Emergency Fund of Massachusetts, which is the leading crisis agency for transgender communities in Massachusetts.

Chastity is currently a board member at the Boston Women's Fund, LGBTQ Senior Housing, the Massachusetts Commission on LGBTQ Youth, and Trans Relations Organizing Committee-Boston Pride 4 the People. She strives to provide services for transgender survivors of homelessness, domestic violence, drug use, sexual assault and survival sex-work.

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

***Sun., Sept. 15th* Street Medicine 101 Pre-symposium Workshop**

*Bartle Hall- Kansas City Convention Center
301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105, USA*

8:00 – 9:00 am **REGISTRATION**

9:00 – 9:15 am Room: 2103 A & B

Welcome and Announcements

Liz Frye, MD, MPH

Chair, 20th annual International Street Medicine Symposium

Vice Chair, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

9:15 – 9:45 am **Values in Street Medicine**

James Withers, MD

Founder and Medical Director, Street Medicine Institute

Founder and Medical Director, Operation Safety Net (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

9:45 – 10:15 am **Crafting the Argument for Street Medicine: What Funders, Health Systems, and Communities Need to Hear**

Patrick J. Perri, MD

Member, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute

Medical Director and Co-founder, Center for Inclusion Health, Allegheny Health Network (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

10:15 – 10:45 am **Street-based Trauma-informed Care**

Liz Frye, MD, MPH

Street Medicine Institute

10:45 – 11:00 am **BREAK**

11 am – 12 pm **Street Medicine Lightning Rounds**

HOUSED BEDS: Taking a History on the Streets

Brett J. Feldman, MSPAS, PA-C

Member, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute

Director, Division of Street Medicine and Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine, Keck School of Medicine at University of Southern California (Los Angeles, California, USA)

What to Pack in your Backpack

Joel J. Hunt, PA-C

Director, Acclaim Street Medicine Assistant Program

Director, Family Medicine Residency, JPS Health Network

Faculty, IES Street Medicine Fellowship (Fort Worth, Texas, USA)

Street Safety

Katherine Pocock, PA-C

Clinical Instructor of Family Medicine, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

Measuring Quality and Success
Brett J. Feldman, MSPAS, PA-C
Street Medicine Institute

12:00 – 1:30 pm **LUNCH** (*on your own*)

1:30 – 1:45 pm **Engaging People on the Streets**
Melissa Moore, LE
Member, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute
Founder/CEO and Street Outreach and Support Services, RISE- Rising Into Self Empowerment (Hayward, California, USA)

1:45 – 2:00 pm **Substance Use Disorder Treatment on the Streets**
Henrik Thiesen, MD, GP
Member, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute
Senior Physician, Manager – SundhedsTeam/Health Team for Homeless (Copenhagen, Denmark)

2:00 – 2:45 pm **Small Group Discussion: Substance Use Disorder**

2:45 – 3:00 pm **BREAK**

3:00 – 3:15 pm **Mental Health Treatment on the Streets**
Emma Lo, MD
Medical Director, Street Psychiatry Team, Connecticut Mental Health Center at Yale School of Medicine (New Haven, Connecticut, USA)

3:15 – 4:00 pm **Small Group Discussion: Mental Health**

4:00 – 4:30 pm **Large Group Question and Answer Session**

4:30 – 4:40 pm **Closing Remarks**

Thank you to our Street Medicine 101 Facilitators

Jaynell (KK) Assmann
Asha Atwell
Matt Beare
Joseph Becerra
Joseph Benson
Seth Campbell
Tim Dayton
Sara Doorley
Brett Feldman
Lindsay Fox

Liz Frye
Ti Hoang
Joel Hunt
Michael Jellison
Denise Kohl
Chad Koyanagi
Emma Lo
Nick Maguire
Melissa Moore
Sarah Payne

Pat Perri
Kate Pocock
Eileen Reilly
Kaitlin Schwan
Mary Sligh
Ronnie-Lee Sneh
Kevin Sullivan
Henrik Thiesen
Jim Withers
Camillo Zaks

Mon., Sept. 16th Symposium Day 1: Host City Presentations

Barile Hall- Kansas City Convention Center

301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105, USA

7:30 – 8:30 am **REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST**

8:30 – 8:45 am Room: 2103 A & B

Opening Remarks

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8:45 – 9:45 am **Welcome to Kansas City and Care Beyond the Boulevard**

Jaynell (KK) Assmann, APRN-C

Founder and CEO, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Sharol Ward

Program Director, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

9:45 – 10:30 am **A Tale of Two States: Different Laws and Perspectives in the Same Metro**

Jaynell (KK) Assmann, APRN-C

Care Beyond the Boulevard

10:30 – 11:15 am **Sex Trafficked Workers**

Russell Kohl, MD, FAAFP

Chief Medical Officer, TMF Health Quality Institute

Volunteer Outreach Physician, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Candice Spangler, Lived Experience

Survivor to Hunter, Skull Games (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

11:15 – 11:30 am **BREAK**

11:30 am – 12:30 pm **HOST CITY PANELS I** (*concurrent*)

A. Room: 2102 A

From Substance Use to Peer Work: A Kansas City Lived Experiences Panel

Annica Perkins, Lived Experience

Manager of Permanent Supportive Housing Programs, Kim Wilson Housing (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Barbie Miller, Certified Peer Specialist

Specialty Teams Outreach, Heartland Center for Behavioral Change (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Virginia Masoner

Peer Support Worker, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Moderator: Alfredo Palacol

Development Coordinator/Community Liaison, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

B. Room: 2104 A

Beyond the Ivory Tower: Engaging KC Medical Students in Street Medicine

Jonah Elyachar, MD Candidate

University of Kansas School of Medicine

Volunteer, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Kansas, USA)

Nathan Ng, DO Candidate

Kansas City University (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Hannah Caplan, DO

Resident, Emergency Medicine, University of Kansas School of Medicine (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Moderator: Timothy Little, MD, MPH

Assistant Professor of Primary Care, Kansas City University (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

C. Room: 2101

The Word from the Street: A Kansas City Lived Experiences Panel

Johnny Culich, Lived Experience

Substance Use Disorder Counselor, The Village Initiative, Inc.

Member, Board of Directors, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Mikey Schwab, Lived Experience (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Monique Litchman, Lived Experience (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Moderator: Jaynell (KK) Assmann, APRN-C

Founder and CEO, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

12:30 – 1:30 pm

LUNCH (*provided*)

1:30 – 2:30 pm

HOST CITY PANELS II (*concurrent*)

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2:30 – 2:45 pm

BREAK

2:45 – 3:30 pm

HOST CITY BREAKOUT SESSIONS (*concurrent*)

A. Room: 2102 A

Secondary Prevention: Harm Reduction Initiatives in Kansas City

Mary Windholz, RPh

Volunteer and Harm Reduction Co-Coordinator, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Shari King, RN, BSN

Volunteer and Harm Reduction Co-Coordinator, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

B. Room: 2102 B

Building Your Team: Identifying, Engaging, and Retaining Volunteers

Jaynell (KK) Assmann, APRN-C

Care Beyond the Boulevard

Sharol Ward

Program Director, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

C. Room: 2104 A

Partnering with Trusted Neighbors: Effectively Engaging Community Health Workers

Teri Quinn

Community Health Worker, Community Health Council of Wyandotte County

Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

D. Room: 2101

Coming in From the Cold: The Challenges of Cold Weather Shelters in Kansas City

Josh Henges

Houseless Prevention Coordinator, City of Kansas City, Missouri (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Amber Holmes, Lived Experience

Community Engagement Coordinator, Office of Unhoused Solutions, City of Kansas City, Missouri (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

Rob Santel, LMSW

Director of Programs, Cross-Lines Community Outreach (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

3:30 – 3:45 pm

BREAK

3:45 – 4:45 pm

Room: 2103 A & B

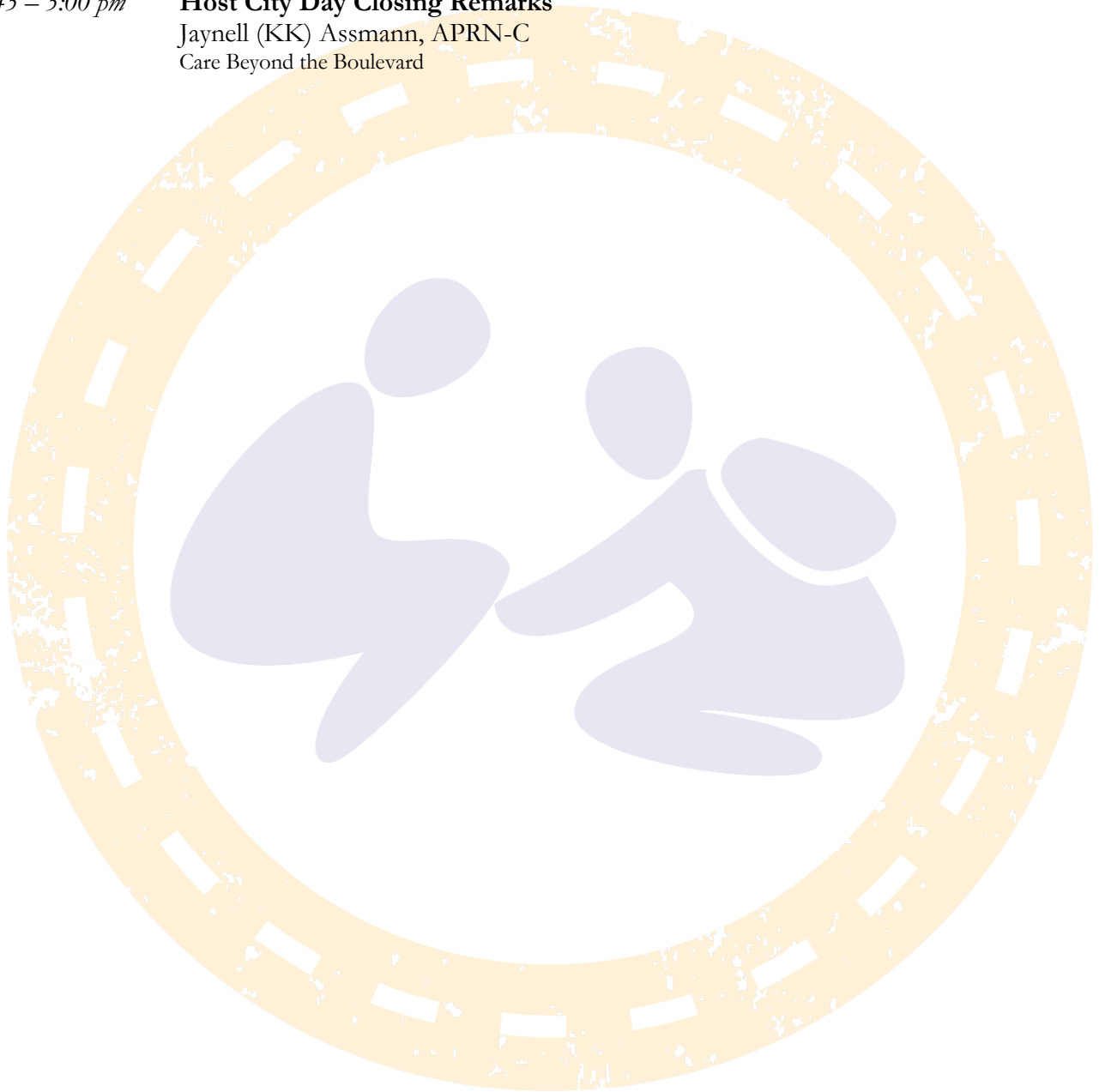
Good Enough for the Street?: Quality Measurement and Improvement in Street Medicine

Russell Kohl, MD, FAAFP
Care Beyond the Boulevard

4:45 – 5:00 pm

Host City Day Closing Remarks

Jaynell (KK) Assmann, APRN-C
Care Beyond the Boulevard



Tues., Sept. 17th Symposium Day 2: Invited Presentations

Barile Hall- Kansas City Convention Center

301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105, USA

7:45 – 8:45 am **REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST**

8:45 – 9:00 am Room: 2103 A & B

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Vice Chair, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

9:00 – 9:30 am **Updates from the Street Medicine Institute and SMI Student Coalition**

Kendall Fisher

Executive Director, Street Medicine Institute (Cincinnati, Ohio, USA)

Sophie Roe, MD/MPH Candidate

Chief Coordinator, Street Medicine Institute Student Coalition

Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine (Scranton, Pennsylvania, USA)

9:30 – 10:15 am **Strengthening Street Medicine Operations in Conflict Zones: Emergency Protocols and Security**

Ayelet Rishpon, MD

Attending Physician, Division of Dermatology, Tel-Aviv Sourasky Medical Center

Volunteer Physician, Street Medicine Tel-Aviv (Tel-Aviv, Israel)

Ronnie-Lee Sneh, BSW

Founder and CEO, Street Medicine Tel-Aviv (Tel-Aviv, Israel)

10:15 – 11:00 am **Fortifying the Streets - Climate Resilience and Justice for Street Medicine**

Katherine Pocock, PA-C

Clinical Instructor of Family Medicine, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

Asha Atwell, DO

Director of Sih Hasin Street Medicine Program, Department of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Northern Navajo Medical Center, Indian Health Service (Shiprock, New Mexico, USA)

11:00 – 11:15 am **BREAK**

11:15 am – 12 pm **WITHERS FAMILY KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

The Many Faces of Homelessness

Chastity Bowick

CEO, Chastity's Consulting & Talent Group (Boston, Massachusetts, USA)

12:00 – 12:45 pm **LUNCH** *(provided)*

12:45 – 1:30 pm **POSTER SESSION** *(with poster presenters standing by)*

See poster listings on page 19.

1:30 – 2:30 pm

INTERACTIVE SESSION I (*concurrent*)

A. Room: 2103 A & B:

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Outreach Health Care for Homeless Populations: An Evidence-based Framework for Maximizing Impact

Luke Johnson, MD, MPH, FFPH

Internal Medicine Resident, Allegheny Health Network (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA); Honorary Senior Research Fellow at the Collaborative Centre for Inclusion Health, University College London (London, UK)

Sophie Gaber, PhD, MSc OT

Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Healthcare Sciences, Marie Cederschiöld University (Stockholm, Sweden); Visiting Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Division of Psychiatry, University College London (London, UK)

B. Room: 2102 A

WORKSHOP

Put Down the Prescription Pad: Demystifying Psychological Interventions in a Street Setting Through Clinical Cases

Lisette Carmona, ACSW

Clinical Social Worker, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

Rachelle Kromash, MA, PhD Candidate

East Tennessee State University (Johnson City, Tennessee, USA)

Nick Maguire, DClín Psy

Professor of Clinical Psychology and Director of Centre for Homelessness Research and Practice, University of Southampton (Southampton, UK)

C. Room: 2102 B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Novel Psychoactive Substances: What's Really in your Street Drug Supply?

Michael Jellison, CARC, LADC, CPS, NCTTP

Street Team Recovery Coach and Recovery Coach Supervisor, Boston Healthcare for the Homeless (Boston, Massachusetts, USA)

D. Room: 2104 A

WORKSHOP

Practical Precepting for Learners in Street Medicine

Denise Kohl, DO

Assistant Professor, Medical College of Wisconsin (Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA)

E. Room: 2104 B

WORKSHOP

Universal Incidence of Prior TBI in Rough Sleepers: How to Evaluate, Treat, and Advocate

Graham Atkin, PhD

Associate Professor, Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (East Lansing, Michigan, USA)

J'Aimee Lippert, DO

Associate Professor, Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan, USA)

Isabel Moran, DO candidate

Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan, USA)

Jessica Reece, DO candidate

Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan, USA)

F. Room: 2101

WORKSHOP

Cold Weather Injury: Triage, Treatment, and Policy Advocacy for All Stakeholders

Owen Lewer, MD Candidate

Volunteer, Loyola Street Medicine (Chicago, Illinois, USA)

Theresa Nguyen, MD, FACEP

Co-Director, Loyola Street Medicine (Chicago, Illinois, USA)

Shambhavi Mishra, MD Candidate

Volunteer, Loyola Street Medicine (Chicago, Illinois, USA)

2:30 – 2:45 pm

BREAK

2:45 – 3:45 pm

INTERACTIVE SESSION II (*concurrent*)

A. Room: 2103 A & B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Integrating Primary Care for Unsheltered Homelessness: What Works, for Whom, in What Circumstances

Susan Taylor, PhD

Senior Policy Officer, Western Australian Department of Health, Chief Allied Health Office (Perth, Australia)

B. Room: 2102 A

SMALL GROUP PROBLEM-SOLVING SESSION

Involuntary Interventions on the Street - Handling Psychiatric Extremes while Honoring Autonomy

Emma Lo, MD

Medical Director, Street Psychiatry Team, Connecticut Mental Health Center at Yale School of Medicine (New Haven, Connecticut, USA)

C. Room: 2102 B

SMALL GROUP PROBLEM-SOLVING SESSION

Reshaping Perspectives: Pregnancy at the Intersection of Homelessness & Substance Use

Leah Warner, NP, MPH

Nurse Practitioner, San Francisco Department of Public Health (San Francisco, California, USA)

Jamie Lang

Case Manager, Homeless Prenatal Program (San Francisco, California, USA)

D. Room: 2104 A

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Evolution and Management of a Street Medicine Rotation for Clinical Medical Students

Sarah Small, MD/MPH Candidate

Executive Director, Wolverine Street Medicine, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA)

Alexandra Soos, MD/MPH Candidate

Harm Reduction Director, Wolverine Street Medicine, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA)

Hailee Nielsen, MD Candidate

Education Director, Wolverine Street Medicine, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA)

E. Room: 2104 B

WORKSHOP

The Human Rights Prescription: Advocacy Strategies to Advance Rights of People Who are Unsheltered

Kaitlin Schwan, PhD

Member, Board of Directors, Street Medicine Institute

Director, California Street Medicine Collaborative; Associate Professor of Family Medicine, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

James Withers, MD

Founder and Medical Director, Street Medicine Institute

Founder and Medical Director, Operation Safety Net (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

F. Room: 2101

WORKSHOP

Point-of-Care Ultrasound (POCUS) Interactive Training Workshop

Theresa Nguyen, MD, FACEP

Medical Co-Director, Loyola Street Medicine (Chicago, Illinois, USA)

Nima Sarani, MD

Assistant Professor and Assistant Emergency Medicine Ultrasound Fellowship Director

University of Kansas Medical Center (Kansas City, Kansas, USA)

Bradley Jackson, MD, FPD-AEMUS

Associate Professor, Director of Emergency Ultrasound

University of Kansas Medical Center (Kansas City, Kansas, USA)

3:45 – 4:00 pm

BREAK

4:00 – 5:00 pm

INTERACTIVE SESSION III (concurrent)

A. Room: 2103 A & B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Bridging Gaps for Compassionate Healthcare Outreach: A Commitment to Supporting Asylum Seekers

Joyce Lesende

Inclusion Health Clinical Nurse Specialist, Find & Treat Team (London, UK)

Sam Boyse

Data Manager, Find & Treat Team (London, UK)

B. Room: 2102 A

SMALL GROUP PROBLEM-SOLVING SESSION

Integrating Clinical Social Workers into Street Medicine Teams to Address Gaps in Mental Health Care

Lisette Carmona, ACSW

Clinical Social Worker, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

Joseph Becerra, CHE

Supervising Community Health Worker, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

Dulce Barajas, RN, BSN

Registered Nurse, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

Korrinne Yurick, MSPAS, PA-C

Street Medicine Physician Assistant, USC Street Medicine (Los Angeles, California, USA)

C. Room: 2102 B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

No Referral Needed: Learnings from a Sexual and Reproductive Health Pilot for Unsheltered Women

Kim Cardoso, CNM, NP

Associate Medical Director, Sexual and Reproductive Health, LifeLong Medical Care (Oakland, California, USA)

Olivia deBree, NP

Associate Medical Director, Street Medicine, LifeLong Medical Care (Oakland, California, USA)

Rene Duenes, RN

Street Nurse, LifeLong Medical Care (Oakland, California, USA)

D. Room: 2104 A

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Improving Longitudinal Care of the Unhoused and Augmenting Competency in Medical Education: A Revamped Inpatient Street Medicine Consultation System

Kathy Lu, MD Candidate

Wayne State University School of Medicine; Street Medicine Detroit (Clinton Township, Michigan, USA)

Karis Tutuska, BS

Wayne State University School of Medicine; Street Medicine Detroit (Detroit, Michigan, USA)

E. Room: 2104 B

SMALL GROUP PROBLEM-SOLVING SESSION

Problem-Solving Challenges in Conducting Street Medicine Research through Case Studies

Rachelle Kromash, MA, PhD Candidate

East Tennessee State University (Johnson City, Tennessee, USA)

Savannah Vetterly, MD Candidate, EMT

Loyola Street Medicine; Street Med at Pitt (Chicago, Illinois, USA)

Theresa Nguyen, MD, FACEP

Co-Director, Loyola Street Medicine (Chicago, Illinois, USA)

F. Room: 2101

WORKSHOP

Assessing Capacity and Applying Medical Ethics on the Street in Caring for Patients with Dementia

Angelica Saada, MD

Street Outreach Physician, Primary Care Physician, Hospitalist and Inpatient Consultant, NYC Health + Hospitals / Bellevue Hospital (New York, New York, USA)

Ann Winters, MD

Physician, Bellevue Hospital (New York, New York, USA)

Natalie Lazarescou, MD

Physician, Bellevue Hospital (New York, New York, USA)

6:00 – 8:00 pm

EVENING SOCIAL RECEPTION

Lightwell

12th Street and Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri 64105, USA

Symposium ID badge required for admission. No guests, please.

Wed., Sept. 18th Symposium Day 3: Invited Presentations

*Bartle Hall- Kansas City Convention Center
301 West 13th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64105, USA*

7:45 – 8:45 am **REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST**

8:45 – 9:45 am **INTERACTIVE SESSION IV** (*concurrent*)

A. Room: 2103 A & B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Keeping the Patient in the Center of Grantwriting

Jaynell (KK) Assmann, APRN-C

Founder and CEO, Care Beyond the Boulevard (Kansas City, Missouri, USA)

B. Room: 2102 A

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Trauma and Transitions in People Who Are Experiencing Homelessness

Simon Hatcher, MBBS, MD

Psychiatrist, Ottawa Inner City Health (Ottawa, Ontario, Canada)

Nicole Edgar, BSc (Hons)

Clinical Research Program Manager, Ottawa Hospital Research Institute (Ottawa, Ontario, Canada)

C. Room: 2102 B

WORKSHOP

Cultural and Trauma Informed Considerations for Celebrations of Life and Team Grief with the Death of a Patient

Edmund Poliness, MBBS, FRACGP

Physician - General Practitioner, Living Room - Homeless Primary Health Service (Melbourne, Victoria, Australia)

Joel J. Hunt, PA-C

Director, Acclaim Street Medicine Assistant Program

Director, Family Medicine Residency, JPS Health Network

Faculty, IES Street Medicine Fellowship (Fort Worth, Texas, USA)

D. Room: 2104 A

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Students for Street Safety: Developing a Safety Guide for Students Practicing Street Medicine

Kathleen O'Connor, MD Candidate

President, Street Medicine at Pitt (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

Sam Ding, MD Candidate, EMT-P

Operations Coordinator, Street Medicine at Pitt (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

Jake Littman, MD Candidate

Community Resource Manager, Street Medicine at Pitt (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

Joshua Morgenlander, MD Candidate

Finance Manager, Street Medicine at Pitt (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

E. Room: 2104 B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Criminal Justice Navigator Role in a Street Medicine program

Joshua Newlin

Certified Recovery Specialist, Valley Health Partners Street Medicine (Allentown, Pennsylvania, USA)

Joshua Rivera

Criminal Justice Navigator, Valley Health Partners Street Medicine (Allentown, Pennsylvania, USA)

Seth Campbell, PA-C

Physician Assistant and Program Director, Valley Health Partners Street Medicine (Allentown, Pennsylvania, USA)

F. Room: 2101

WORKSHOP

Beyond Dressing Selection: Developing a Holistic, Patient-Centered Wound Management Approach for Rough Sleepers

Kara Cohen, CRNP, AGPCNP-BC

Associate Director of Street Medicine, Project HOME Healthcare Services (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA)

Lydia Williams, CRNP, FNP-BC, CWOCN

Nurse Practitioner and Certified Wound Care Ostomy Continence Nurse, Project HOME Healthcare Services (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA)

9:45 – 10:00 am

BREAK

10:00 – 11:00 am

INTERACTIVE SESSION V (concurrent)

A. Room: 2103 A & B

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Addressing Invisible Disability: Enhancing Homeless Individuals' Access to Traumatic Brain Injury Rehabilitation

Deklerk Ngankam, MD

Fellow, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center

Street Med at Pitt (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

Julia Lam, OTD, OTR/L

Executive Director and Occupational Therapist, Outreach Therapy (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

Max Hurwitz, DO

Assistant Medical Director, Street Med at Pitt (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

Arthur Yan, DO

Physician, Detroit Medical Center (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

B. Room: 2102 A

SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION

Evaluating an Integrative Mobile Clinic for People Who Use Drugs and Other Vulnerable Populations

Elisa Pujals, MD, MPH

Doctora, Intercambios PR (Fajardo, Puerto Rico)

Luis Roman Badenas, PsyD

Clinical Psychologist, Intercambios PR (San Juan, Puerto Rico)

C. Room: 2102 B
SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION
"Graduating" Longer Term Rough Sleepers to Main Stream Services in a Cost of Living Crisis

Edmund Poliness, MBBS, FRACGP
Physician - General Practitioner, Living Room - Homeless Primary Health Service (Melbourne, Victoria, Australia)

D. Room: 2104 A
SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION
Dissecting the Surgical Approach to Street Medicine Patients

Megha Kulkarni, DO candidate
Michigan State University (East Lansing, Michigan, USA)
Julie Dodds, MD
Orthopedic Surgeon, Michigan State University (DeWitt, Michigan, USA)
Graham Atkin, PhD
Associate Professor, Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine (East Lansing, Michigan, USA)

E. Room: 2104 B
WORKSHOP
Doctors Without Boundaries: Crafting Professional Boundaries in the Streets

Danielle Schnauber-Jones, CRNP
Nurse Practitioner-Program Coordinator, Operation Safety Net (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)
James Withers, MD
Founder and Medical Director, Street Medicine Institute
Founder and Medical Director, Operation Safety Net (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA)

F. Room: 2101
SMALL GROUP ORAL PRESENTATION
**Expanding Vision with Point of Care Refraction and Lens Distribution:
10 Minutes to a Lifetime of Vision**

Katja Klosterman, MD Candidate
University of Arizona Phoenix College of Medicine (Phoenix, Arizona, USA)
Shaurey Vetsa, MD Candidate
Manual Refractor Study Lead, Street Medicine Phoenix (Phoenix, Arizona, USA)
Catherine Miller, BS
Street Medicine Phoenix Program Lead, University of Arizona College of Public Health (Phoenix, Arizona, USA)

11:00 – 11:15 am **BREAK**

11:15 – 12:15 pm Room: 2103 A & B
Fostering Resilience within the Street Medicine Community

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12:15 – 12:30 pm **Closing Remarks**

***Tues., Sept. 17th* Symposium Day 2: Poster Presentations**

1. **Creation and Iteration of Telehealth Enhanced Multidisciplinary Street Psychiatry in Charleston**
Abigail Mandel, MD Candidate
Medical University of South Carolina (Charleston, South Carolina, USA)
2. **Provider Perception of Assets, Worries, and Success with Street-based Treatment for Hepatitis C**
Alexis Coulourides Kogan, PhD
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Geriatrics; Director of Research, USC Family Medicine Residency Program and USC Street Medicine, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, California, USA)
Korrinne Yurick, PA-C
Physician Assistant, USC Street Medicine, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, California, USA)
Camilo Zaks, MD, FAAFP
Medical Director of the Division of Street Medicine and Clinical Associate Professor of Family Medicine, Keck School of Medicine at University of Southern California (Los Angeles, California, USA)
3. **Homeless Healthcare Foundation Course: Creating a Sustainable Workforce in Street Medicine**
Enya Lowe, MSc
Project Specialist, USC Street Medicine, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, California, USA)
Alexis Coulourides Kogan, PhD
Assistant Professor of Family Medicine and Geriatrics; Director of Research, USC Family Medicine Residency Program and USC Street Medicine, University of Southern California (Los Angeles, California, USA)
4. **Healthcare Utilization and Barriers to Healthcare Access Among Persons Experiencing Homelessness**
Alexis Kimmel, MD
Social Emergency Medicine Fellow, University of Cincinnati (Cincinnati, Ohio, USA)
5. **Contraception Use in an Urban Menstruating Homeless Population**
Anna Leah Eisner, MD Candidate
Founder, Menstrual Health Team, Street Medicine Phoenix (Phoenix, Arizona, USA)
Becky Salamanca, MD Candidate
University of Arizona College of Medicine (Phoenix, Arizona, USA)
6. **Perceptions of Naloxone Dosing Needs among Unstably Housed Adults in the San Diego - Tijuana Region**
Arielle Schecter, MD
Resident Physician, Department of Family Medicine, University of California San Diego (San Diego, California, USA)
7. **Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions Encountered by a Homeless Healthcare Team**
Catherine Weaver, MD
Assistant Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles (Los Angeles, California, USA)

8. **Chronic Disease Control and Acute Care Utilization Among Patients Treated by an LA County Team**
Catherine Weaver, MD
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Kendal Wilkie, BSN, RN
Nurse Supervisor, Homeless Healthcare Collaborative, University of California, Los Angeles (Los Angeles, California, USA)
9. **Bridging the Gap: Hepatitis C Elimination among People who Use Drugs in Appalachian Settings**
Courtney Downs
Viral Hepatitis Treatment Coordinator and Health Educator, Virginia Harm Reduction Coalition (Roanoke, Virginia, USA)
10. **Attitudes and Barriers of an Urban Homeless Population towards EMS in the Event of Opioid Overdose**
Dalia Koujah, MD candidate
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Yusuke Murakami, MD/MPH Candidate
Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health; University of Arizona College of Medicine Phoenix (Phoenix, Arizona, USA)
11. **Bridging the Gaps: Strengthening Healthcare Access for Rough Sleepers with Pre-health Volunteers**
Devanshi Tomar
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Robert Hinojos, BS
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Sophia Fischer, BS
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12. **Retrospective Analysis of Opioid Use Disorder Medication in an Urban Street Medicine Program**
Tim Nichols, MD Candidate
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Nicole Hoeflinger, MD Candidate
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Jasmine King, MA, MD Candidate
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13. **Intensive Mobile Treatment (IMT): An Innovative Approach to NYC's Hardest-to-Reach Individuals**
Jana Colton, MD
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14. **Silent Deaths: Examining the Cause and Manner of Mortality Among New Mexico's Unhoused Population, 2019-2023**
Jenna Norton, LCSW, MD Candidate
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15. **Advancing a Vaccine Initiative in the Unsheltered Population: Outcomes and Community Reception**
Jessica Baxter, DO Candidate
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16. **Healthcare Utilization and Patient Satisfaction of a Street Medicine Clinic at a Subway Station**
Johanna Wefes-Potter, MD Candidate
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17. **Reducing Post-discharge Emergency Department Visits and Readmission Rates for Unsheltered Patients**
Kathy Lu, MD Candidate
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18. **Do Less Harm: Student-Run Clinic Partners with Community Based Organizations to Facilitate Early Educational Exposure to Street Medicine**
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19. **Reproductive Care, Prenatal and Postpartum Supports for Unsheltered Populations at YWCA Hamilton**
Mary Vaccaro, PhD Candidate
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20. **Building Trust through Community Feedback**
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21. **Healthcare for the Unhoused and Medical Education: A Student-run Patient Advocacy Service**
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22. **Unveiling Reproductive Health Disparities: A Study of Contraceptive Use, Pregnancy Rates, and Perspectives of Unhoused Women in Southwest Michigan**
Paulina Cradeur, MD Candidate
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23. **Cardiovascular Disease Risk in an Urban Unhoused Population**
Nick Allen, MD Candidate
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24. **Assessing Xylazine Knowledge and Harm Reduction Behaviors Among Providers and Unhoused Patients**
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25. **Meeting the Medical Needs of Newly Arrived Migrants in Chicago**
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26. **Experiences of Opioid Overdose Among People Sleeping Rough During the COVID-19 Pandemic**
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27. **A Review of Macomb County Street Medicine**
 Sarah Ferris, DO Candidate
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 Allison Hudson, DO Candidate
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28. **In One Word: Debrief Tools to Build Street Medicine Team Trust and Mitigate Vicarious Trauma**
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History of the International Street Medicine Symposium

Dr. Jim Withers

Around 2004, I was approached by a funder who wanted to support the replication of the “Operation Safety Net model” of street care. Although not entirely unique, Operation Safety Net was one of only a few programs truly committed to full-time medical street work. The first other program I learned about was Calcutta Rescue, under the leadership of Dr. Jack Preger in India. When I visited Jack in December of 1993, the experience was an epiphany. I will never forget the feeling of realizing I was not alone. Prior to that, I thought I might be the only physician crazy enough to provide medical care under bridges. Even though Pittsburgh and Kolkata were radically different, the same forces of exclusion and the same passion for social justice were obvious. Not long thereafter, I learned of the Boston Healthcare for the Homeless program and the pioneering work of Jim O’Connell and his colleagues. After visiting them on street rounds, I knew this was a new field of medicine – even if it did not yet have a name.

So, in 2004 I pondered the idea of using that funding opportunity to “replicate” our Pittsburgh model. Indeed, by that time I had traveled quite a bit and guided several new programs, but I felt it was arrogant to launch into the “replication business” (McDonald’s came to mind). What I felt deeply was that a movement was emerging. The energy of that movement was organic, grassroots, and not ready for a standardized template. Each community understood their unique needs and challenges, so I wanted to honor that dynamic. I asked the funders if I could, instead, create a gathering of the pioneers I knew who were working on their own streets. I’d noticed that whenever two or more street clinicians met each other, they had the same joy and validation I had experienced in Kolkata. If we could get together in one place, I knew something magical would happen. I got permission to use the grant for such a meeting and we began to plan for a symposium in Pittsburgh. It needed a name, so I decided to call our work “street medicine” and thus we hosted the first International Street Medicine Symposium in the fall of 2005.

I remember specifically wanting a group of participants who were radically committed to the reality of those on the streets. I wanted people who would give their lives or freedom to the cause. People like Dr. Preger, who had spent time in jail for his activism. This was going to be more than a gathering of content experts. This was going to be a revolution. I began to invite my heroes and was thrilled that every one of them said yes! It was a “Field of Dreams” moment with participants from across the US, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, as well as India and Chile. I remember watching them all eat lunch in our hospital cafeteria and thinking, “nobody else realizes it, but this is an historic occasion.” In all, I believe there were 17 programs represented. As I expected, everyone was thrilled to meet others who shared the same unique passion for street medicine.

That first symposium was admittedly not a polished affair. I used my own computer and my son’s video game booted up instead of one of the presentations. But the informal atmosphere set a good tone for wonderfully intimate interactions. We used our local outreach workers to allow everyone to do street rounds, a precedent we continued to follow for several years until the meetings got too large.

At the end of the three-day meeting, we spent some time summarizing our experiences. Everyone loved it and all dedicated themselves to attending future meetings. When asked if they wanted to create a formal organization, they preferred a more casual affiliation. The one other thing they agreed on was to encourage student involvement. When they all left Pittsburgh, it was like seeing my family leave.

One of the thoughts we had about an annual meeting was that it would be a great opportunity to highlight the work of different cities. One of my former students, Dr. Mimi Doohan, was poised to start a new program in Santa Barbara and we decided to support her effort by having our second meeting there. The attendance was better, with new partners from Europe like Dr. Igor van Laere of the Netherlands, who later connected us to many of our future partners in Europe. Mimi was able to launch her program, which continues to be one of the great sources of student leadership in the street medicine movement. Dave Buck in Houston was one of the original leaders, and we chose his city for our third meeting. Our group had gotten bigger, so we had to divide ourselves up to see the various programs of Dave's organization. One of my memories from that meeting was seeing students from the US, England, and other countries sharing their love of street medicine. The third meeting in Houston seemed to solidify the momentum.

At the Houston meeting, Dr. Preger challenged us to live up to the "International" part of our name, so we chose Puerto Rico for our fourth location. Dr. Jose "Chaco" Vargas-Vidot was a dynamic street medicine champion with an extensive program in San Juan. We were able to find a very affordable (hurricane season) beach side hotel for the meeting – which I felt the hard-working participants deserved. Despite the elegant surroundings, we had some of our most dramatic street rounding experiences. Over 50 participants were able to join local outreach staff as they delivered care on the streets and in "shooting galleries" where medical and harm reduction was provided to those injecting drugs. It was so raw that we needed to debrief many of the newer members afterwards. I recall thinking this was one of the most unusual situations to offer continuing medical education credit I could imagine.

It was clear that the annual International Street Medicine Symposium had become the heartbeat of a movement. Each heartbeat brought in more participants from all over the world and sent them out energized and inspired by each other. The term "street medicine" was being embraced across the world. I recall thinking that as our work became "real," the people we served might also become "real" to the public. Every time we met, I looked over the audience and thought of all the people who were now being directly served for the first time. I could visualize the people on the streets of Delhi and Detroit, Copenhagen and Columbus, Lagos and Los Angeles, Boston and Brazil. We were here as their representatives. It was our sacred duty for us to never forget that.

The meetings were still under the direction of Pittsburgh Mercy's Operation Safety Net, but it was becoming obvious to me that the movement would soon need its own non-profit organization. A core group of participants agreed with me, and we launched the Street Medicine Institute officially in 2009. It would be the new "home" for our movement and organizer for our annual meetings. Though we had no source of funding, we had a fierce determination to keep things growing, and we launched into a new era of Institute-led symposia. Salt Lake City was the first. We decided to charge a registration

fee, which I feared would discourage our humble audience. We not only survived that meeting but gained the confidence to finally go to Boston (a dream location) the next year, and Dublin the year thereafter. Pat Perri was the driving force behind those successful meetings as we expanded overseas. During the COVID-19 pandemic, board member Liz Frye and others salvaged the symposium by converting it all to a virtual platform. This allowed us to reach even more communities, but we dearly missed the magic of the face-to-face interactions.

True to our initial hope, students of all disciplines have joined the annual meetings. Typically, many of the poster presentations have been student projects that present new models of care with demonstrated positive outcomes. We noticed more and more “student-initiated” and “student-run” street medicine programs, so we worked to connect them. Eventually, this led to the establishment of the Street Medicine Institute Student Coalition that was launched at the 2017 Allentown symposium. This highly motivated and organized group now has their own global presence. They go back to their academic institutions and demand a greater focus on social justice and inclusion.

When we talk about our past symposia, though, we always acknowledge that the best part is the time we share privately with each other in the halls, during meals and over drinks. This is where we open up and talk about the deeper meaning of our work. We tell stories and laugh harder than we have the whole year. We dream and we scheme, and we know we are not alone.

This year, we gather as a street medicine community for the 20th time. Thank you for joining us in Kansas City for this milestone symposium. The vision is more important than ever. The heartbeat is stronger than ever. May we all have a fantastic experience, and may we be worthy of those we serve.



Attendees of the first International Street Medicine Symposium, Pittsburgh, 2005



Go to the People

Live among them

Love them

Learn from them

Start from where they are

Work with them

Build on what they have

But of the best leaders

when the task is accomplished

the work completed

the people all remark

We have done it ourselves

- Lao Tzu