### FELLOWSHIP ALUMNI NETWORK

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#### Alumni leading during COVID-19



I am fortunate to have graduated from the Urgent Care CAP Fellowship in the Fall of 2019. The program prepared me for my current career as a Physician Assistant with Atrium Health, at a well-established Internal Medicine office providing a unique blend of primary care, acute care and transitional medicine services in a new pilot program to better serve our patient population. Shortly into this new position, however, the world drastically changed. The Novel Coronavirus required the entire medical community to adapt.

With guidance from our medical director, Thomas A. Batchelor, MD, our clinic helped develop the initial design for Atrium Health Virtual Hospital, which was the first of its kind to educate and treat patients with COVID-19 virtually. The goal was to reduce unnecessary emergency room visits, as well as help identify patients who needed escalation of care. The Virtual Hospital at its inception was a group effort, involving the help of PharmD, Social Work, Community Paramedics, and primarily APP providers. Initially, virtual COVID-19 work-ups were done in addition to normal clinical duties, and was solely on a volunteer basis. The program has now grown with national recognition and has enabled our hospital system to manage our COVID-19 population more effectively.

The Fellowship had instilled in me the importance of leading as an APP and to be flexible in adapting to the rapidly changing world of medicine. It has encouraged me to take on new roles in medicine and to practice at the top my license. Most importantly, however, was the importance of answering a public health crisis and to always be willing to help those in need. I look forward to many more years of serving the patients in our community.

--Autumn Weiss PA-C
Acute Team Lead
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SAVE THE DATE

Leadership and Engagement for the APP





When: April 23 | 8A-1 P Registration opens January 4th

To learn more email: CAPFAN@atriumhealth.org

**5.5 VIRTUAL CME CREDIT HOURS!** 

After receiving feedback from our recent survey, many of our Alumni wanted further CME opportunities.

Save the date for April 23rd for the first annual FAN CME Conference!

"Beyond the Bedside: Leadership and Engagement for the

APP"

Registration opens January 4th, use code "CAPFAN" for a discount!



# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

We are planning another volunteer opportunity!

When: February 13, 2021 | 1-3P

Where: Second Harvest Food Bank

To sign up please email CAPFAN@atriumhealth.org
\*Spots are limited, masks and close toed shoes are required





What: Happy Hour Trivia! When: January 14, 7-8:15p

Join us for our first virtual social event to kick off 2021!



If you want to RSVP for this event, please reach out to CAPFANeatriumhealth.org Family/Friends are welcome!

## ATRIUM HEALTH CORNER

On January 4th, CORE Connect will go live! This will replace YourHR, PeopleLink, eMerald and will bring Finance, Supply Chain and Human Resources onto a single platform!

Have questions? Check out the FAQ page here!



COVID-19 Vaccines have arrived to
Atrium Health! Our frontline
healthcare workers are some of the
first in the state of North Carolina to
receive the vaccine. Thank you to
those going above and beyond to
serve your patients and each other!

2021 Teal Acorn finalists will be announced early 2021. This is a great way to highlight the incredible work of your peers, mentors and teams!

Nominations for 2022 will be available Fall 2021.



To all that completed our survey! If you didn't get a chance to, we kindly ask you take 2-3 minutes to update your information and give feedback!

Survey Here

# WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

If you would like to add your contact to our directory, send us your ideas for engagement or nominate our next fellow spotlight, please email us!

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