



## 2013 WLA Fellow Named President-Elect of APHA

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**Lisa Carlson**, affiliated instructor at the Emory Rollins School of Public Health, and executive administrator of research programs and operations at the Emory School of Medicine, was named president-elect of the American Public Health Association (APHA) in November. Her election was announced during APHA's annual meeting in San Diego. APHA is the largest, oldest, and most diverse organization of public health professionals in the world.

Lisa has spent more than 25 years working in public health and medicine. At Rollins (where she received her MPH), she is an affiliated instructor in the Executive MPH program. As of March 19, 2018, Lisa is also the executive administrator of research programs and operations at the Emory School of Medicine. In this role, she works alongside School of Medicine leaders to develop and implement key research initiatives.

She has served in a leadership capacity at Emory University for almost 17 years. Among her many contributions to Emory during this period include "facilitating annual funding growth in transplant research from \$8.1 million to \$29 million and launching the largest sponsored award ever received at Emory (\$78 million), leading the establishment of six international childhood mortality surveillance sites."

Throughout the course of her career, Lisa has been actively involved with APHA and has taken on a number of public health-related leadership roles. More than 25 years ago, she joined Georgia Public Health Association (the Georgia affiliate of APHA) and was later elected as that organization's youngest ever president. In the past, she has also served as chair of APHA's executive board.

As president-elect, Lisa hopes to build both internal and external relationships, expand APHA's influence, strengthen the role of affiliates, and strengthen APHA's impact on public health.

## Accomplishments, Appointments, Awards

Dane Peterson, [Anne Adams 2007](#), Sheila Sanders, and [Brad Sanford 2015](#) recently published a commentary entitled "Assessing and Addressing Threats and Risks to Cybersecurity" in "Frontiers of Health Services Management", a journal published by the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Effective September 1, [Kimberly Jacob Arriola 2010](#) was promoted to Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs for RSPH and also became a Charles Howard Candler Professor. These are unrelated and happened to start at the same time. Kimberly has been at the rank of Professor for three years now, and just received the endowed professorship.

[David Schulman 2015](#) will be chairing the Chest Congress 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand.  
<https://congress.chestnet.org/committee/>

[Donald Harvey 2019](#) and the Winship team opened a new Phase I Unit, press release here: <https://winshipcancer.emory.edu/about-us/newsroom/press-releases/2018/new-winship-phase-one-unit-opens#.XBE8Yi2ZPUY>.

[Larry Boise 2014](#) and [Erwin Van Meir 2006](#) are inaugural recipients of two new endowed professorships funded through a portion of the proceeds from this year's Winship Win the Fight 5K Run/Walk. Larry develops novel approaches to multiple myeloma and other B cell malignancies. Erwin is an expert in neuro-oncology research, including glioma and medulloblastoma and in eye melanoma and leads Winship's Cancer Cell Biology Research Program.  
<https://winshipcancer.emory.edu/about-us/newsroom/press-releases/2018/winship-names-winship5k-professorships.html#.XBE6cy2ZPys>

[Lisa Bernstein 2010](#) was the recipient of the Emory School of Medicine Dean's Teaching Award recently.

[Ravi Rajani 2017](#) was recently named to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Vascular Surgery.

[Scott Davis 2017](#) has a new book he was co-editor on:  
<https://www.springer.com/us/book/9783319784106>

Note - Gary wanted to see if we can get this on DVD for the WLA Library so we could see Scott in action! 😊

[Vandana Niyar 2019](#) has been elected as Secretary-Treasurer for our national society - American Society of Diagnostic and Interventional Nephrology (ASDIN). She will also be the Chair for the ASDIN Annual Scientific Meeting in February 2019.

[Sagar Lonial 2012](#) was named to Clarivate Analytics' 2018 list of highly cited researchers, whose papers rank in the top 1% of most cited works on Web of Science.

The 12th annual Atlanta Lung Cancer Symposium, held in early November, featured presentations by a half dozen Winship lung cancer experts. The meeting was chaired by

Taofeek Owonikoko 2019 and Suresh Ramalingam 2017 and co-chaired by Walter J. Curran and Seth Force 2008.

Winship Phase I clinical trials unit Director R. Donald Harvey 2019 was among the presenters at the Advanced Practitioner Society for Hematology and Oncology (APSHO) November meeting in Hollywood, Florida.

Viraj Master 2014 has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Society for Integrative Oncology. The non-profit association is dedicated to advancing evidence-based, comprehensive, integrative health care to improve the lives of people affected by cancer.

A \$7 million NIH grant will fund the Atlanta Center for Microsystems Engineered Point-of-Care (POC) Technologies (medical diagnostic tests performed outside the lab and close to where the patient is receiving care). The Atlanta Center will focus on cardiac, pulmonary, hematologic, and sleep applications. Principal investigators include Emory faculty Greg Martin 2011 - [http://news.emory.edu/stories/2018/09/lam\\_poctechgrant/](http://news.emory.edu/stories/2018/09/lam_poctechgrant/)

Larry Sperling 2008 was appointed to the Katz Professorship in Preventive Cardiology in October. Alex Katz and representatives from the Abraham J. and Phyllis Katz Foundation who created the professorship, are longtime supporters of Larry's work, as well as various other areas at Emory.

Jen Schuck 2008 moved from VP, Operations at EUH/EWWH to the same the role at Emory Decatur Hospital.

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) has awarded Emory University Hospital its second Magnet designation, which signifies that the care patients receive will be of the highest caliber. Nancye Feistritz 2016, EUH chief nursing officer, is one of the many people who helped achieve this honor.

Jim Forstner 2019, who served as executive VP and COO of DeKalb Medical Center since 2016, has been named CEO of Emory Decatur Hospital, Emory Hillandale Hospital, and Emory Long Term Acute Care.

Awardees of the SOM Imagine, Innovate and Impact (I3) Awards:

I3 Wow! Research Awards:

- Discovery of Small Molecule Anticancer Immunomodulators: Haiyan Fu 2015 (pharmacology)
- A Randomized Controlled Trial of Fecal Microbiota Transplant for Antibiotic-Resistant Infections in Inpatients: Colleen Kraft 2019 (pathology and laboratory medicine)

## I3 Education Awards:

- A Virtual, Global, Interprofessional Community of Practice: Feasibility and Effectiveness at Developing Innovative Behavioral Health Educators: [Nadine Kaslow 2004](#) (psychiatry and behavioral sciences)
- Developing a Telemedicine Curriculum for Nephrology Fellows: Expanding Specialty Care to Underserved Populations in Rural Settings: [Janice Lea 2012](#) (medicine)

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**W** is for the **W**ork we do here every day.

**O** is for the **O**pinion that we are number one in every way.

**O** is for our **O**utstanding character that we display.

**D** is for our mindset of **D**edication from the beginning.

**R** is for our passion for **R**esults and winning.

**U** is for the sense of **U**rgency we create - even in the long run.

**F** is for our **F**ocus on the positive that is second to none.

**F** is for a reminder that we also need to have **F**un.

**L** is for the **L**ofty goals we visualize.

**E** is for our **E**fforts to do the right thing and not compromise.

**A** is for our winning **A**ttitude on which we thrive.

**D** is for the **D**iscipline we need to keep our drive.

**E** is for our process in making **E**ffective decisions.

**R** is for the **R**espect that we give to other positions.

**S** is for the **S**elfless concern we have for so many.

**H** is for the **H**ope we give to plenty.

**I** is for **I**mproving the quality of everything.

**P** is for the **P**ride we have in contributing.

**A** is for our consistent **A**ccountability.

**C** is for our **C**ommitment to excellence at Emory.

**A** is for patient care we strive to **A**dvance.

**D** is for the **D**ifficult conversations we don't take to chance.

**E** is for our routinely applying **E**motional intelligence.

**M** is for all we do to advance our **M**issions today.

**Y** is for the 17<sup>th</sup> **Y**ear of the WLA!