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Dear Colleagues,

Please join me in congratulating the 2022 Celebration of Gender Equity in Medicine and Science award recipients. These individuals are a testament to our community's commitment to creating and maintaining a safe, just, equitable, and inclusive College environment.

I hope you will [join us](#) for the virtual Celebration of Gender Equity in Medicine and Science on March 3rd from 12:00 – 1:30 PM.

Best,  
Anne Dougherty MD  
Chair, Gender Equity Steering Committee  
Director for Gender Equity, Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



## Awards

### Gender Equity Champion Award

This award honors Larner College of Medicine community members—faculty, staff, or students—who have demonstrated outstanding commitment and service to the advancement of women and those with

underrepresented gender identities beyond the scope of their job, area of research, or training.

**Recipients: Eli Goldberg M.D., and Montana Kay Lara**

*Nominees: Roxana del Rio, Ph.D.; Evan Eyler, M.D.; Nathalie Feldman, M.D.\*; Jennifer Hall, M.D.; Bridget Marroquin, M.D.; Laura McCray, M.D.; Jennifer Nachbur\*; Emerson Wheeler; Emmett Whitaker, M.D.*

### Gender Equity Outstanding Achievement in Medicine and Science Award

This award will be given to a woman or gender minority\*\* faculty member within the Larner College of Medicine who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in medicine and science through research, education or service.

**Recipient: Beth D. Kirkpatrick, M.D.**

*Nominees: Stacey Sigmon, Ph.D.; Sarah Heil, Ph.D.; Sally Herschorn, M.D.*

## **The Polaris Award for Outstanding Mentorship**

The Polaris Award honors a Larner College of Medicine faculty or staff member who provides outstanding formal or informal mentorship for women or gender minority College community members.

**Recipient: Isabelle Desjardins, M.D.**

*Nominees: Paula Tracy, Ph.D.; Frances Carr, Ph.D.; Alicia Jacobs, M.D.; Elizabeth Watson, M.D.; Alissa Thomas, M.D.*

## **The Rising Star Emerging Professional Award**

This award recognizes a woman or gender minority\*\* faculty or staff member at the Larner College of Medicine who is in the early stage of their career, and who demonstrates excellence in contributions to students, colleagues, and/or the institution in the areas of gender equity and inclusion through service, program development, teaching, research or beyond.

**Recipient: Joanna Conant, M.D.**

*Nominees: Sherrie Khadanga, M.D.; Anja Jokela, M.D.; Hannah Perry, M.D.; Margaret Graham, M.D.; Abigail Hielscher, Ph.D.; Michelle Bookless*

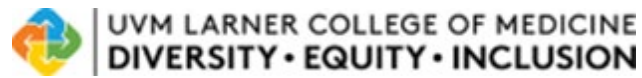
## **The Gender Equity Lifetime Achievement Award**

This award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated a career-long commitment to promoting gender equity and who demonstrates transformational leadership through their professional focus on gender equity, track record of effective mentorship for women and gender minorities, and long-standing service in the recruitment, retention, and promotion of women and gender minorities.

**Recipient: Paula B. Tracy, Ph.D.**

*\*Member of the Larner College of Medicine Gender Equity Steering Committee*

*\*\*Gender minority refers to those who identify with a gender outside of the she/her, he/him binary.*



You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Mar 3, 2022 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Celebration of Gender Equity in Medicine and Science

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://uvmcom.zoom.us/j/94286333209>

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