

# WICTA

## Women in Cardiothoracic Anesthesia

A Special Interest Group of SCA

WINTER 2023-2024



DR. BOLA FALOYE

### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR AND CHAIR ELECT



DR. EMILY METHANGKOOL

As I reflect on what we've accomplished as a group this year, I cannot help but give thanks for our WICTA community. Often, the constant busy routine of our lives leaves little time to reflect and appreciate. So, I thought I would provide a brief recap of what our community has accomplished this year:

- **WICTA Professional Development Publication Pods:** Over 10 published manuscripts in peer reviewed journals.
- **WICTA Speaker Database:** Provided invited Visiting Professor speaking opportunities to several women cardiac anesthesiologists.
- **WICTA Professional Development Webinars:** Brought several highly impactful topics to the forefront, such as planning a career in academic and private practice, as well as financial planning.
- **WICTA/SCA Fellowship Webinar Series:** Engaged the future generation of cardiac anesthesiologists.
- **WICTA @ SCA:** Provided community for over 300 women in CT anesthesiology.
- **WICTA @ ASA:** Created mentorship opportunities for over 30 medical students interested in anesthesiology.

While these accomplishments are commendable, the most vital impact that WICTA has is community. As we approach the new year, WICTA is preparing to launch a new initiative to engage women in academic practice in research and scholarship, engage all members in our online education and networking events, and increase mentorship and sponsorship of women in CT anesthesiology. We are WICTA. We encourage you to lean into this community because when we work together, we soar!

Respectfully,

**Bola Faloye, MD, FASE, FASA**  
Chair

**Emily Methangkool, MD, MPH**  
Chair-Elect

**MISSION STATEMENT** The mission of the SCA Women in Cardiothoracic Anesthesia Special Interest Group (WICTA SIG) is to ensure excellence in quality of patient care through promoting a diverse, inclusive and equitable professional community in our specialty.

**Our purpose** is to recruit, develop, and promote women and under-represented minority (URM) physicians and leaders in cardiothoracic anesthesiology.



New

## WICTA Research Pods

WICTA is working to create avenues to facilitate clinical-based research and mentorship amongst members. The new research pods will bring together a skilled and experienced researcher to serve as a mentor to other emerging researchers. We are now accepting signups complete this brief questionnaire if you would like to participate. [Click Here](#)

## WICTA Events at the ASA

We were happy to see WICTA members in San Francisco for the ASA meeting.

WICTA Medical Student Networking event at the ASA, San Francisco, was an outstanding success! WICTA engaged and networked with medical students interested in anesthesiology from all over the US.



Pictured Hosts Bola Faloye, Kelly Ural, Chris Troianos, Daryl Oakes, and Adam Milam.

## Attention Mentors and Sponsors of URM Trainees!

Do you have URM trainees who are interested in cardiac anesthesiology? The **SCA DEI Committee Junior Resident Scholar Program** provides selected underrepresented minority (URM) anesthesiology residents an opportunity to attend the SCA annual meeting. Share this information with your CA1as!

Applications will be accepted through January 15, 2024.

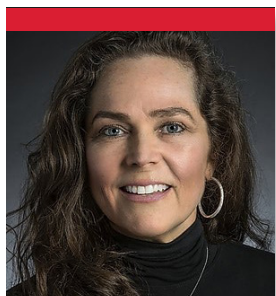
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## 2024 SCA Annual Meeting and Workshops Toronto, Canada from April 27-30, 2024

We are hoping to see many of you at SCA! Stay tuned for more information about joint events between WICTA and Women in Thoracic Surgery (WTS) as well as with WICTA and the SCA DEI committee.

## SOCIAL MEDIA CORNER



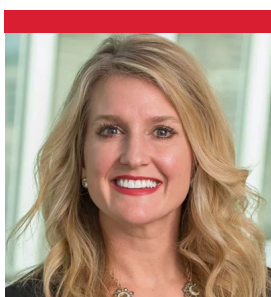
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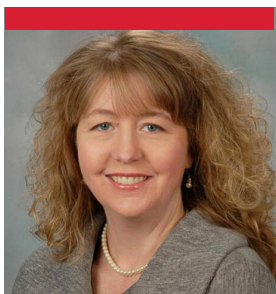
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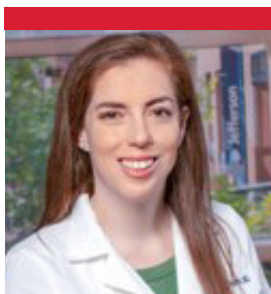
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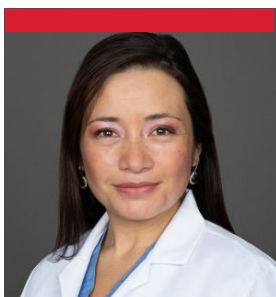
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University of Pennsylvania



**Yuliana Salamanca-Padilla, MD**  
Temple University Health System



**Allison Janda, MD**  
University of Michigan

## WOMEN of IMPACT

We have been delighted to recognize the contributions of women in cardiac anesthesiology.

If you have other women in cardiac anesthesiology to highlight, send [wicta@scahq.org](mailto:wicta@scahq.org) a picture of the nominee and a short blurb spelling out why you think they are AMAZING! Feel free to nominate yourself!

Have you benefited from excellent mentorship or sponsorship during your career? Our new **Pay it Forward Campaign** is encouraging women who have been the beneficiaries of sponsorship to pay it forward by posting pictures or stories on our Instagram and Twitter account. We will be running this through the months of November and December. Please use #WICTAPayItForward and tag @WICTA on Instagram or @womeninctanes on Twitter to participate.

To stay better connected, follow us on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook, and join our WICTA Facebook group. Anyone can join our Facebook group, and any member can post to the page. This is a great place to network with other members, ask questions, list job openings, etc.

Got something exciting you need to tweet – send us an email at [wicta@scahq.org](mailto:wicta@scahq.org) and let us know about your recent publication, promotion, etc. and we'll share on our social media sites. Let us do the bragging for you:

- Twitter - @womeninctanes
- Facebook – WICTA page and WICTA Facebook group
- Instagram - @WICTA



# WICTA SPEAKER DATABASE

The WICTA speaker database has already contributed to multiple speaking arrangements for our members and is being used more frequently by chairs and cardiac anesthesiology division chiefs planning grand rounds, etc. Please upload your information so those looking for speakers can contact you for potential speaking engagements. If you've given local lectures, grand rounds or talks at regional or national meetings you are more than qualified for our database! We would love for all our members to be recognized for their hard work.

A link to enroll can be found on our webpage or [Click Here](#).

## — TWO SUCCESSFUL WICTA SERIES —

### WICTA WEBINAR SERIES FOR ACTA FELLOWS

Our last fellow webinar, in conjunction with the SCA Member Engagement Committee, ***"Landing your First Job as a Cardiothoracic Anesthesiologist: Job Search in Academic and Private Sector"*** was held on Sept 22, 2023.

Thanks for the great turnout, and a special thank you to our wonderful panelists for sharing their insight!

For those of you who missed it, recordings of this and other past webinars are [available on the WICTA Webpage](#).

### WICTA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES

Our last WICTA Professional Development webinar series ***"In Their Shoes: The Career Trajectory and Advancement of the Cardiac Anesthesiologist through Academics and Private Practice"*** with SCA leaders Dr. Kathy Glas and Dr. Bruce Bollen was held on November 1, 2023.

If you missed it, recordings of this and other past webinars are available on the [WICTA Webpage](#).

If you have ideas about future Professional Development webinar topics, please let us know at [wicta@scahq.org](mailto:wicta@scahq.org).

# UPCOMING VIRTUAL EVENTS

*Join Us!*

Mark your calendars for the following virtual events:

## ACTA Fellow Webinar

**Topic:**

**Tips for Survival as a New Cardiac Anesthesiologist: Communicating in the OR and Beyond**

**Date:**

Thursday, January 25, 2024

**Time:**

6:00 PM EST

[Click Here to Register](#)

## WICTA Happy Hour

**Topic:**

**Skincare and Aesthetic Tips**

**Host:**

Diba Daneshrad, MD

**Date:**

January 30, 2024

**Time:**

7:00 PM EST

Watch your inbox for more information and to register.

## WICTA Professional Development Series

**Topic:**

**Working Towards Collaborative Outcomes and Improved Relationships in Negotiation and Understanding Different Influencing Strategies**

**Date:**

Thursday, February 22, 2024

**Time:**

7:00 PM – 8:15 PM EST

Watch your inbox for more information and to register.

# JOB LISTINGS

## **The Department of Anesthesiology at Wake Forest University School of Medicine is seeking Cardiothoracic and Multidisciplinary Anesthesiologists**

The Department of Anesthesiology at Wake Forest University School of Medicine is currently undergoing expansion of facilities and services. As one of the leading anesthesiology training programs in the country, this strategic hiring initiative aims to enhance the department's expertise, research capabilities, and clinical services. This also furthers our commitment to providing exceptional care and advancing medical knowledge. Joining this team offers a unique opportunity to contribute to the education of medical students, residents, and fellows and to deliver comprehensive anesthesia care to patients in a collaborative and innovative environment. To fulfill these needs, we are currently seeking Cardiothoracic and Multidisciplinary Anesthesiologists. We offer a competitive compensation and employee benefits package in a great place to live and work. To learn more information, please reach out to [anesthesiology@wakehealth.edu](mailto:anesthesiology@wakehealth.edu).

## **Temple University Health System in Philadelphia, PA is looking for full-time CT-trained colleagues to join the CT division**

Application materials should include a current curriculum vita (CV) and contact information for three professional references. Personal statements summarizing teaching experience, clinical and research interests, and contributions to diversity are strongly encouraged. Please address your application to: Gordon Morewood, MD, Chair & Professor, Anesthesiology, C/O Karly Settle, Senior Recruiter, Lewis Katz School of Medicine at Temple University, 3420 N. Broad Street, MRB 101, Philadelphia, PA, 19140, Email: [Karly.Settle@tuhs.temple.edu](mailto:Karly.Settle@tuhs.temple.edu).

## **The School of Medicine of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill seeks an accomplished and energetic leader to serve as Chair for the Department of Anesthesiology**

The Department of Anesthesiology is nationally recognized for its excellence in clinical care, research, and education. The Department is comprised of more than 350 faculty, staff, and trainees who sustain and drive the mission of the Department. In FY22, the Department provided clinical anesthesia services for over 103,000 patient encounters. Each day we provide care in an average of 101 anesthetizing sites. In addition to patient care, the Department teaches residents and medical students the specialty of anesthesiology and, through educational outreach programs, educates the medical community on the highest standards of anesthetic care. The selected individual will provide leadership and direction for clinical health care across 8 academic divisions and 12 program sections including Ambulatory, Cardiothoracic, Critical Care, General, Liver Transplant, Neuroanesthesia, Obstetric, PreAnesthetic Care, Endoscopy, Pain Management, Pediatric Anesthesia, Regional Anesthesia and Community Practice Anesthesiology. In addition to the academic practice locations, the Department provides anesthetic care in some of UNC's affiliated healthcare system hospitals utilizing an employed group of private practice physicians. <https://unc.peopleadmin.com/postings/255240> contact Courtney Sola, Recruiting Consultant [courtney.sola@unchealth.unc.edu](mailto:courtney.sola@unchealth.unc.edu).

## **Ochsner LSU Health Shreveport and LSU Health Sciences Center – Shreveport has retained Cejka Search to recruit an accomplished physician leader to serve as Chair, Department of Anesthesiology**

The Chair of Anesthesiology exemplifies exceptional leadership, continues the pursuit of clinical and academic excellence, and fosters interdisciplinary management of the departments 24 full-time faculty and staff. The Chair will lead the department with the development and implementation of a dynamic vision for future success while collaborating with the Dean and other Department Chairs in the ongoing evolution and success of the school. The Chair will build upon the excellent foundation of full-time faculty and staff, working collaboratively with a broad range of constituents both internally and externally, and managing and overseeing 32 residents and 2 fellows. An innovative and dynamic member of the LSU Health Shreveport Leadership team, The Chair reports directly to the Dean of the LSU School of Medicine in Shreveport and will continue to advance the department in services and faculty growth as the department increases responsibility in healthcare outreach with efforts to be progressively available to all patients. The Chair will collaborate with the leadership of Ochsner Health which manages the primary teaching hospitals in Shreveport and Monroe in partnership with LSU. The department of Anesthesiology is supported by fellowship-trained and highly experienced anesthesiologists in nine areas of specialty including: Airway, Acute Pain, Cardiothoracic, Neuro, Obstetric, Pediatric, Vascular Anesthesia, Chronic Pain, and Intensive Care. Interested candidates should contact Christopher Perry, Associate Consultant [cperry@cejkasearch.com](mailto:cperry@cejkasearch.com).

Please email [wicta@scahq.org](mailto:wicta@scahq.org) with any job postings as well as open fellowship spots or candidates seeking fellowship for the 2024 academic year.