

# Family Medicine Updates



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## STFM PODCASTS LAUNCH WITH A CELEBRATION OF FAMILY MEDICINE'S CRITICAL FRONT LINE LEADERSHIP

In STFM's inaugural podcast series, *Academic Medicine Leadership Lessons: COVID-19*, family medicine educators are rising to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic by redesigning health systems, inventing new ways to train learners, and providing the best possible care to patients. Much has been accomplished quickly and with great ingenuity, and we're sharing some of those stories of adaptability, resourcefulness, and learner engagement.

"Our goal with this COVID-19 series is to celebrate the work that family medicine has done around the country, specifically our membership. We're so proud of them, and we know that so many are either dealing with a surge, or thinking about how best to prepare for another wave," said Brian Hischier, manager of online education, at the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine. Mr Hischier serves as host for the COVID-19 series podcasts.

Recent episodes within this COVID-19 series include:

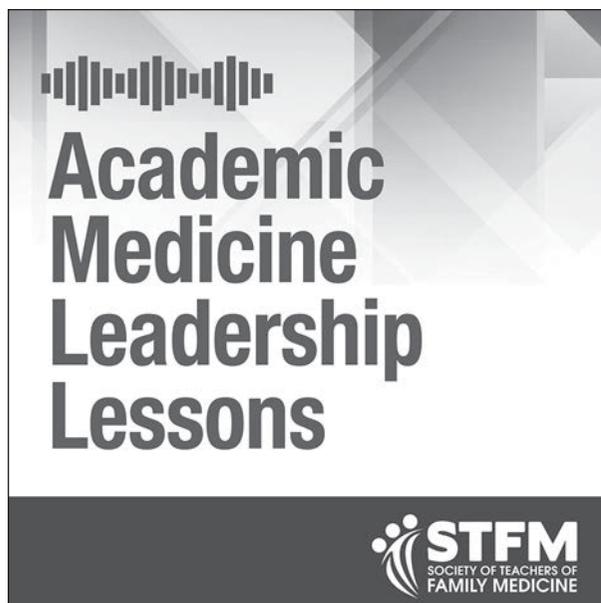
- Judy Washington, MD, on *Working With Residents on a COVID-19 Floor*
- Chip Taylor, MD, on *Rapid Rural Response to COVID-19*
- Saria Saccocio, MD, on *Rapid Change in Residency Programs*
- Emily Soni, DO, on the *Importance of the Human Connection*
- Tim Graham, MD, on *Residency Program Challenges*  
"STFM looks forward to a new normal, and hopes to begin featuring our members on more general topics as well. We will also welcome the return of our regular podcast host, Dr Saria Saccocio, hopefully later this summer," added Mr Hischier.

Future *Academic Medicine Leadership Lessons* podcasts will include in-depth interviews with family medicine leaders, giving listeners insight into pivotal experiences that have led to opportunities for personal growth and the development of leadership skills during times when health care professionals are addressing:

- Motivation and mentorship
- Burnout and transitions
- Milestones and meaning
- Barriers and bureaucracy

Listen to upcoming episodes by subscribing to STFM's *Academic Medicine Leadership Lessons* through Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Play, or on the STFM website at <https://www.stfm.org/podcasts>.

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## ON MIRACLES AND MOVING ON

When Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans in August of 2005, it brought depths of destruction to New Orleans not previously experienced by an American city. Eighty percent of the city was flooded for weeks and at least 1,800 people died. Pictures still haunt our minds of the Superdome shelter and stranded families on roofs. Planning was inadequate and response from government at all levels was inadequate. People were stranded