



congratulations!



Dr. Shah was awarded the ***Outstanding Teacher Award in Undergraduate Medical Education***, specifically, ***Best Teacher in the Course and Clerkship Award - Class of 2027 AMS B (Behavioral Sciences)***.

great work!

- ✚ **Dr. Susan Kornstein, M.D.**, has received the [2025 VCU Distinguished Faculty Award for Distinguished Service](#). This award recognizes Dr. Kornstein for her superior service to the University, the profession and/or the wider community.
- ✚ **Dr. Dimal Shah, M.D.**, has been chosen as the recipient of the [Medical Society of Virginia Foundation's 2025 Salute to Service Award, Service by an Early Career Physician](#) category. The "Service by an Early Career Physician award" is presented to a physician whose outstanding efforts have substantially improved patient care, either locally or abroad.
- ✚ **Dr. James Levenson, M.D.**, has been named a 2025 Fellow of the [European Association of Psychosomatic Medicine](#)
- ✚ **Dr. Gerry Moeller, M.D.**, has been selected to join the [Virginia Academy of Science, Engineering, and Medicine](#) as one of its 2025 members. VASEM annually elects members with an outstanding record of accomplishment in science, engineering, medicine.

Way to GO!



Dr. Lannoy was awarded a R00 grant from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism to study the co-occurrence of alcohol problems and suicidal thoughts and behaviors. Her research plan aims to integrate the influence of genetic, environmental, and neurocognitive factors to delineate the complex pathway of risk.



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Outstanding work!

The Virginia Naloxone Project: How Narcan in EDs is saving lives from opioid overdoses
A life-saving strategy equipping at-risk patients with naloxone nasal spray before leaving the hospital is being led by clinician-researchers at VCU Medical Center.



“By focusing on a patient population that we were already treating, we could easily provide patients with the medication and teach them how to use it,” said Wills, who is also a professor in the Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine’s departments of [Psychiatry](#) and [Emergency Medicine](#). “Overall, giving at-risk patients the tools to potentially help themselves and others struggling with opioid use disorder (OUD) can help combat the opioid epidemic.” [Brandon Wills](#), DO, FASAM, FAACT, medical director of VCU Health’s [MOTIVATE Clinic](#), believes there is another way to get this life-saving medication into the hands of those who need it most – provide it to patients for free in the emergency department.

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Dana Moore, NP with CMH Behavioral Health was nominated for APP Leader of the Year Award 2025.

