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Healthcare Operations During the COVID-19 Pandemic Speaker Series

The Work-Life Pandemic Puzzle: Putting the Pieces Back Together, But Better



Lois K. Lee, MD, MPH

Senior Associate in Pediatrics, Division of Emergency Medicine, Boston Children's Hospital; Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Director, Academic Pediatric Association, Health Policy Scholars Program; President, Injury Free Coalition for Kids

Dr. Lois Lee's work focuses on pediatric emergency medicine, advocacy, health disparities, and health policy. This is grounded in her clinical work as a pediatric emergency medicine physician at Boston Children's Hospital. She is known for her execution and team building skills in working collaboratively with colleagues and researchers within and outside her institution. Dr. Lee has published seminal research on pediatric emergency medicine, health disparities, and health policy. She is President of the Injury Free Coalition for Kids. She is also a Senior Faculty Advisor for the Office of Health Equity and Inclusion and a coach for the Under-Represented in Medicine faculty coaching program at Boston Children's Hospital.

Dr. Lee has a strong track record of advocacy and health policy work. She completed the Nick Littlefield Health Policy Fellowship at the Network Excellence for Health Innovation in 2017. During this time, she served on the health policy staff for Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI). She is the inaugural director of the Academic Pediatric Association's (APA) Health Policy Scholars Program, a career development program for pediatric faculty focused on health policy and advocacy. She serves on the Executive Council of the Society for Pediatric Research (SPR) as the Advocacy Lead and is the co-chair of SPR's Advocacy Committee. In this role she serves as a member of the Pediatric Policy Council, representing 5 premier academic pediatric professional organizations. At the American Academy of Pediatrics, she is the chair-elect of the Council on Injury, Violence, and Poison Prevention.

Dr. Lee has more than 20 years of clinical experience while part of a dual physician family with two children. This has directly informed her work and publications in career advancement, especially for women faculty. She has mentored dozens of women pursuing careers in medicine. She is a faculty

advisor for the Women Faculty Careers Initiative at Boston Children’s Hospital. She is also the site co-lead representing Boston Children’s Hospital in the Harvard Medical School Women in Emergency Medicine Consortium.



Rebekah Mannix, MD, MPH

Senior Associate in Pediatrics, Division of Emergency Medicine, Boston Children’s Hospital; Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Co-Director, Boston Children’s Hospital Brain Injury Center; Founder, Massachusetts Concussion Management Coalition

Dr. Mannix is a pediatric emergency medicine physician whose research focus is trauma, with a particular emphasis on traumatic brain injury and firearm violence. Dr. Mannix’s research platform spans from exploring epidemiologic trends to basic science investigations. Her research has been published widely including Nature, JAMA, JAMA pediatrics, NEJM, and Lancet Child and Adolescent Health. Dr. Mannix’s work is funded in part by the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Defense, and from charitable donations by the National Football League and the National Football League Players Association.

In addition to her clinical work and research, Dr. Mannix has had a sustained role in medical education at Boston Children’s Hospital, serving as Chief Resident in Pediatrics and Chief Fellow in Emergency Medicine. She is the recipient of the Harvard Medical School Resident Teaching Award, the Boston Children’s Hospital Sidney Farber Award, the Boston Children’s Hospital Janeway Award, and the Division of Emergency Medicine Gary Fleisher Teaching Award. Dr. Mannix is deeply embedded in medical education and has mentored dozens of women across the spectrum of medical training. She was selected for the Harvard Medical school mentorship training program and has established mentoring initiatives at Boston Children’s Hospital. In this context – through many conversations with mentees and colleagues - Dr. Mannix has become increasingly aware of the differential impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on women physicians. Her work with Drs. Lee and Miller seeks to assess this differential impact both quantitatively and qualitatively.

Dr. Mannix’s focus on the differential effects of COVID-19 on women physicians is also informed by her own personal experience with serious family illness. As part of the sandwich generation, Dr. Mannix has sought to understand how wellness initiatives can mitigate caregiver burnout at work and at home. She is eager to discuss strategies to help herself and her colleagues find the time to be a good physician, partner, parent, and child simultaneously while maintaining resilience and wellness!



Kelsey A. Miller, MD, EdM

Attending Physician, Division of Emergency Medicine, Boston Children's Hospital; Instructor of Pediatrics, Harvard Medical School

Dr. Kelsey Miller's work focuses on pediatric emergency medicine and medical education including undergraduate medical education, graduate medical education and interprofessional education. All these academic interests arise from her clinical work as a pediatric emergency medicine physician at Boston Children's Hospital. She has published research on pediatric airway management and pediatric sedation and serves as member of the NEAR4PEM Executive Committee, leading efforts to improve and study pediatric airway management in emergency departments across the United States.

Dr. Miller has a strong track record of medical education leadership and scholarship in both undergraduate and graduate medical education. She completed her Master's in Education at the Harvard Graduate School of Education in 2020. Locally, she is the creator and co-director the Leadership Curriculum for the Boston Combined Residency Program and is a member of the leadership team for the Interprofessional Education Theme at Harvard Medical School. Nationally, she is involved in the Academic Pediatric Association's Medical Education Journal Club and Digital Scholarship Working Group and is chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section of Emergency Medicine's Mentoring Subcommittee. She has published on procedural teaching, supervision and interprofessional education.

Personally, Dr. Miller is the mother of two young boys, both of whom she gave birth to while completing her graduate medical education. She is part of a dual physician family, and her husband is also a pediatric emergency medicine physician. This has inspired her interest in career advancement and support for women in medicine. As a Chief Resident, she created a formal family leave policy for the Boston Combined Research Program and is now conducting research on leave policies for female faculty pediatric physicians.