Dear Student, Trainee and/or Diversity and Inclusion Leader:

It is a great pleasure to invite you to the Building the Next Generation of Academic Physicians (BNGAP) 2018 Southwest Regional Conference hosted at University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix, March 9th - March 10th, 2018 in Phoenix, Arizona.

All are welcome at this conference. The primary goal is career development in academic medicine with an emphasis in addressing the needs of those underrepresented in medicine: racial and ethnic minorities, LGBTQ, women, first-generation college/professional students/trainees, and/or those from rural communities. For additional information about BNGAP and to register visit http://bngap.org/academic-medicine-regional-conferences/regconfregistration-information/.

The BNGAP 2018 Southwest Regional Conference promises to provide you with an exceptional opportunity as a medical student or resident/fellow to explore how an academic medicine career fits your personal and professional interests, to develop and enhance your academic medicine portfolio, and to expand your network among academic medicine colleagues and role models.

Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions. We look forward to welcoming you and supporting your development!

Kind Regards,

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BNGAP Academic Medicine Career Development Southwest Regional Conference
Phoenix, Arizona
March 9th - 10th, 2018

PROGRAM INFORMATION:
The conference is OPEN TO ALL but is tailored to encourage trainees (medical students and residents) who are underrepresented in medicine (women, LGBTQ+, and racial and ethnic minorities), first-generation college/professional students/trainees, and/or those from rural communities to consider academic medicine careers.

During the 1-1/2 day event, learners will:
• Explore academic medicine careers to fit personal and professional interests
• Navigate the array of academic medicine career paths and opportunities
• Develop and enhance academic medicine portfolios
• Expand academic medicine colleagues and role model networks

AGENDA & SPEAKERS: To be announced http://bngap.org/academic-medicine-regional-conferences/

Registration is NOW OPEN: http://bngap.org/academic-medicine-regional-conferences/regconfrегистration-information/

All students, residents and fellows have sponsored registration. Please select “Pay Later” and separate box will pop-up asking who is paying for you. Type in UA COM-P

Abstract submission is NOW OPEN. Submission deadline is February 9, 2018 http://bngap.org/academic-medicine-regional-conferences/poster-submission/

CONFERENCE LOCATION:
University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix
Health Science Education Building
435 N. 5th Street
Phoenix, AZ  85004

HOTELS:
Spring Hill Suites By Marriott Phoenix Downtown
802 E. Van Buren Street
Phoenix, AZ  85006
Group Rate:  $174 a night (not including taxes)
Reservations can be made by calling 602-307-9929, ask for RESERVATIONS. **U of A College of Medicine Group Rate. (last day for Group Rate is February 23, 2018)**

Spring Hill Suites provides Airport Shuttle transportation available from 7am – 10pm.
- Airport pick up is $5 per person
- Drop off to Airport is complimentary and must be scheduled with Front Desk

**Holiday Inn Express & Suites – Downtown Ballpark**
620 N. 6th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85004
Group Rate: $199 a night (not including taxes)
Reservations can be made by calling **602-452-2020**, ask for RESERVATIONS. **U of A College of Medicine Group Rate. (last day for Group Rate is February 2, 2018)**

**AIRPORT:**  [Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport](#)

**TRANSPORTATION:**
- Uber and Lyft services Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport
- [Yellow Cab](#), 480-888-8888
- Supershuttle

**PARKING:**
- **Friday, March 9** – Park in the Phoenix Biomedical Campus Garage located at the southeast corner of 5th Street and Fillmore (entrances are on the south side of Fillmore and the east side of 5th Street). We will provide parking vouchers.

- **Saturday, March 10** – Free parking available in Lot 10002. This lot is located on the northeast corner of 7th Street and Van Buren Street.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**
[Campus Map](#)
Conference Contact: Julie Parrish at julieparrish@email.arizona.edu, College of Medicine-Phoenix [Office of Diversity and Inclusion](#)