TEXAS COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

TLAF CLASS 2022-2023

# CHAD EPLEY, MD



Dr. Chad Epley is an Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine at UT Southwestern in Dallas, TX. Growing up in Burleson, TX he attended UT San Antonio for his medical education before completing a surgical internship at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, then transitioning to complete his Emergency Medicine residency at Beaumont Health in Michigan. He has interest in both gradual medical education and advancing clinical efficiency in Emergency Medicine. Outside of the hospital, he and his fiancé enjoy golfing, kayaking, and entertaining the dog.

# HANNAH GORDON, MD



Dr. Gordon is the current Health Policy & Advocacy Fellow at Baylor University Emergency Medicine in Houston, TX. She is originally from Miami, FL where she graduated from FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine and remained for residency at Mount Sinai Medical Center. She graduated from Claremont McKenna College with a B.A in Global Health Policy & International Development and received a Master of Public Health at Claremont Graduate University. She has served numerous roles within EMRA and ACEP including as the Chair of EMRA's Social EM Committee, Vice Chair of the Health Policy Committee, the Southeast Coordinator for EMRA's Medical Student Council and the Co-Chair of the Medical Student Council for the Florida College of Emergency Medicine (FCEP). Her academic interests include firearm violence prevention, advanced directives, and the comparative study of health care delivery systems.

### JULIEN MAHLER, MD

Julien Mahler MD is a rising third year emergency medicine resident training at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He received his medical degree from the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV). He has served as the inaugural medical student class president at UTRGV and established a medical student run clinic in a South Texas Colonia. He has prior experience serving as the Outreach Coordinator for the San Antonio Center for Refugee Services. His interest includes refugee and border health policy. Outside of work, Julien enjoys board games, travelling and spending time with his friends and family.



# ALI MOHAMMED, DO

Dr. Ali Mohammed is an Emergency Medicine Resident at HHH/University of Houston program, graduating in 2023. A native of Philadelphia, PA he moved to Houston, TX in 2020 with his wife, and three pets to complete his residency training. They welcomed their first baby boy in March of 2021. He is also currently pursuing his MBA fulltime online at The Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Mohammed's interests include administration, global health and critical care medicine. In his free time, he likes to exercise, spend time outdoors, cook and travel.

# SACHIN SANTHAKUMAR, MD



Dr. Santhakumar is a 2020 graduate of the SUNY Upstate EM residency, during which time he participated in NY ACEP, particularly in their legislative advocacy efforts and served as an alternate councilor for New York in 2020. Since then, he worked as a locums and supplemental physician in Minnesota and Iowa, experiencing a wide range of small city and rural practice environments. He started and continues to serve on the ACEP state regulatory and legislative committee, lately with a focus on balance billing regulation. Currently, he is starting a position with Baylor College of Medicine, hoping to build his career here in Texas as an EM physician involved in local and national advocacy efforts.

# MACKENZIE THOMPSON, MD



Mackenzie Thompson is a rising second-year emergency medicine resident training at the University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School. She grew up in Corpus Christi and earned a nutrition degree from the University of Texas at Austin. While teaching 8th-grade science in South Dallas, she discovered her interest in education and health inequity. She completed a dual MD/MPH at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio. Her areas of interest include advocacy, medical and patient education, and promoting health equity locally and globally. When she's not working, she enjoys cooking, musicals, and any activity that includes water.