



URGENT INTERACTIONS



“It’s a privilege to have been part of the ‘gang of four’ who turned the seemingly ‘impossible’ vision for an urgent care journal into reality. Congratulations on 20 years of serving the industry.”

— **David Stern, MD**
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“My debut article in JUCM posed a simple question: work harder or work smarter? Hundreds of articles later, I’m clearly still stuck on that same advice! It’s been a profound honor to spend 20 years championing the ‘smarter’ path in these pages. I’m deeply grateful to the JUCM community for letting me share this incredible journey with you.”

— **Alan Ayers**
JUCM Senior Practice Management Editor



“One score ago, in an airport meeting room, 4 men dreamt about starting the first peer reviewed journal in urgent care medicine. It was a bold project, but one that each of us felt strongly about. The discipline was evolving, and a journal would lend voice and credibility. As I reflect back, I couldn’t be more proud of our conviction. That pride explodes knowing that the effort continues to deliver great content to the urgent care community. Congrats to the whole team for their ongoing stewardship.”

— **Lee A. Resnick, MD**
JUCM Emeritus Editor in Chief



“As a pediatric readiness advocate, JUCM has been an integral domain to share knowledge and raise awareness surrounding pediatric care for our first responders in the urgent care setting. With JUCM, I look forward to continuing this endeavor in providing consistent, evidence-based care to children no matter where they seek care.”

— **Brittany Wippel, MD**
JUCM Pediatrics Editor;
Baylor College of Medicine;
Texas Children’s Hospital



“About 19-and-a-half years ago, when JUCM was still a little baby, the journal was short on content, and Lee Resnick, the original editor, asked me to write 2 articles—deadline: last Tuesday! Soon after, I was tasked to be the editor for clinical content, and so began my journey with JUCM. We have had likely millions of reads since that time, and it has been an absolute honor to be a part!”

— **Michael Weinstock, MD**
JUCM Senior Clinical Editor



“For 20 years, the Journal of Urgent Care Medicine has been a trusted leader in disseminating original research and high value clinical and operational content. I have truly enjoyed working with the editorial and publishing team to share knowledge with the urgent care community. I am deeply grateful for their commitment and for all they do to advance and strengthen this growing specialty.”

— **Patrick O'Malley, MD**
EB Medicine, The Laceration Course
and The Abscess Course



“When you think of JUCM’s genesis, you have to acknowledge the grit and courage of its publishers Stu Williams and Peter Murphy, UCA co-founder and its first Editor in Chief, Dr. Lee Resnick, and the other UCA co-founders. JUCM helped put urgent care on the map! And with the ongoing hard work of many others since then, it continues to be a cornerstone of the specialty. Happy Birthday, JUCM!”

— **Joe Toscano, MD, FCUCM**

Urgent Care Association; College of Urgent Care Medicine; Urgent Care College of Physicians; San Ramon Regional Medical Center; Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory



“For 2 decades, JUCM has captured the challenges, creativity, and resilience that defines the practice of urgent care medicine. It has been both a mirror and a guide as our specialty has matured. Shaping content that reflects real world UC practice—the nuance, the problem solving, the humor under pressure—is why I continue to support this publication. Congratulations and here’s to the next 20 years of leadership and innovation!”

— **Tracey Quail Davidoff, MD, FCUCM**

Urgent Care Association; BayCare Urgent Care



“Reflecting on the last 20 years in urgent care, our industry and specialty paradoxically have made enormous progress, and yet we simultaneously face the same challenges as we did in 2006. We continue to be relied upon by patients and the healthcare system alike, and yet in many critical ways, we are excluded from the house of medicine’s proverbial table. JUCM has been, and continues to be, a unifying voice for the group of misfits that we are in urgent care, bonded by one common trait: a steadfast belief that we must push on because our patients are counting on us.”

— **Joshua Russell, MD, MSc, ELS, FCUCM, FACEP**

UCP Merchant Medicine; Urgent Care College of Physicians; JUCM Past Editor in Chief



“Urgent care started as an idea that became a profession that spawned an industry that grew into a movement. The mavericks who came together then gathered others and made this all happen are our heroes. For 20 years, JUCM has partnered with UCA and the Colleges to keep our professional bar high. Urgent care already shows the world what healthcare could be, and we’re just getting started.”

— **Lou Ellen Horwitz**

Urgent Care Association Past CEO



“With great enthusiasm, I celebrate JUCM and its enduring partnership on this milestone anniversary. The journal’s contributions to the urgent-care administrator and clinician community have been pivotal in our evolution from a ‘doc in a box’ to an essential force in the healthcare continuum. And its leadership in original research is key to our goal of UC specialty recognition. Cheers to all who’ve contributed. What a difference you have made!”

— **Laurel Stoimenoff, PT, CHC**

Urgent Care Association; College of Urgent Care Medicine; Urgent Care College of Physicians



“Advances in urgent care are based on scientific rigor, reproducibility, and a commitment to quality improvement. I am honored to serve JUCM’s mission by evaluating manuscripts for methodological and statistical accuracy. It has been a pleasure to be part of a process that advances the pursuit of high-quality evidence, leading to improved care for our patients.”

— **Albert Botchway, PhD, MPH**

Southern Illinois University School of Medicine; JUCM Senior Research Editor



“Twenty years ago, as I moved from family practice into urgent care, there was no publication dedicated to our evolving specialty. JUCM changed that. It has supported, educated, and guided clinicians as our field transformed. I’m grateful for JUCM’s influence on both my own journey and the growth of urgent care, and I’m proud to celebrate this meaningful milestone.”

— **Christopher Chao, MD**

Urgent Care College of Physicians; WakeMed Health and Hospital



“For 20 years, JUCM has been more than a journal—it has been a trusted resource for clinicians practicing urgent care. Through important research, practical clinical guidance, and a shared commitment to excellence, it has helped elevate our specialty. JUCM continues to connect our community and play a vital role in advancing the field of urgent care medicine.”

— **Cesar Mora Jaramillo, MD, FAFP, FCUCM, DABFM**

Express at Blackstone Valley Community Health Care; Brown University, Alpert Medical School; College of Urgent Care Medicine; Urgent Care College of Physicians



“Urgent care is an essential yet often overlooked specialty. We must strive for excellence through best practice, which is brought about by quality research and education. Congratulations and thanks to JUCM for 20 years of leadership in this area, and long may you continue to guide and inform our work.”

— **Guy Melrose, MB ChB, FRNZCUC**

Royal New Zealand College of Urgent Care



“I am grateful to Lindsey Fish, MD, Josh Russell, MD, and JUCM for their support of urgent care internationally in organizations I am involved in. This support includes teaching podcasts and webinars, encouraging research for the Royal New Zealand College of Urgent Care, teaching in the University of the Sunshine Coast’s Post Graduate Certificate of Urgent Care [Australia], helping with presentations and articles on how urgent care can help homeless patients, and sharing information to help the World Organisation of Family Doctors. I am excited about JUCM’s future, impactful contributions to urgent care medicine around the globe.”

— **John Adie, MB ChB, PhD**

University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia



“Urgent care didn’t evolve overnight. Over the past 20 years, it has grown because people were willing to build on, share through JUCM, and improve what came before them. Every advancement stands on the shoulders of those who laid the foundation for this specialty, and I’m deeply honored to have played a small part in its evolution.”

— **John Shufeldt, MD, JD, MBA, FACEP**

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