



**Boston University School of Medicine  
Alumni Association**

Greetings,

Our BUSM alums are amazing!

We recently held our inaugural EMSSP weekend. Our alumni who matriculated through this pathway shared stories of resilience, leadership and impact with current students during the two-day event. We also had the privilege of hearing all of the amazing places that our alumni have ended up post-graduation. The weekend was filled with an immeasurable amount of hugs and smiles as alumni came from all corners of the country to **CONNECT** and **RECONNECT**. Important mentorship relationships were formed...to be continued!

Please check out the October [Alumni Spotlight](#). Harold "Hackie" Reitman, MD (MED '74), founded an online neurodiversity community. Then there is [Herman Williams, MD \(MED '88\)](#), MPH, author of the book titled, "CLEAR! Living the Life You Didn't Dream of," overcoming adversity and rediscovering your purpose. Dr. Williams is coming back to give a campus talk on his new book. This should be very inspirational for our students.

We are saddened to share the news of the passing of two revered community members, 2008 Nobel laureate [Osamu Shimomura \(HON '10\)](#) and [Judith Vaitukaitis, MD \(MED '66\)](#). Both were trailblazers in their fields and left their mark on our community.

In the [Donor Spotlight](#), one of our young alums, class of '07, shares why she gives back to BUSM. I think her comments will resonate with many of us.

We look forward to future events and opportunities to hear from YOU! Keep an eye out for announcements on the second annual Wine Down After Rounds event for faculty, alumni and students on January, 28, 2019!

Best wishes.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jean E. Ramsey".

Jean E. Ramsey, MD '90 MPH '08  
Associate Dean for Alumni Affairs  
Vice Chair of Education and Program Director of Ophthalmology  
Associate Professor, Ophthalmology and Pediatrics



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## ALUMNI IN THE NEWS |



### **Ralph Sacco MED '83 Elected to National Academy of Medicine**

NAM recognizes individuals who have demonstrated outstanding professional achievements and commitment to service.



### **Photo Album: EMSSP Social Hour and Brunch**

BUSM students and alumni who went through EMSSP gathered at Café ArtScience for a social hour and in Hiebert Lounge for a networking brunch and panel discussion,



### **BUSM Grads' Mobile App Engages Patients In Postop Recovery**

Andrew Chu MED '18 and Samir Haroon MED '17 designed a smartphone app to help with patients engage in the I COUGH protocol.



### **Sanae EISHourbagy Ferreira MED '18 Recognized as AAAS Force for Science**

Dr. Ferreira was recognized for being a creative scientist who focuses on complex problems and helps connect people through interdisciplinary conversation to address these problems.

## STUDENTS IN ACTION |

[Graduate Student Receives Health Policy Research Scholarship](#)



Michael Rosario MED '24 is the first Boston University graduate student to receive this award.



### When Patients Can't Be Cured: Mass. Med Schools Teaching More End-Of-Life Care

BUSM students are visiting patients with a hospice nurse for the first time this year.



### BUSM Students Raise \$16K at Rodman Ride for Kids

Funds raised by 35 medical students representing all four class years will be used to support multiple BUSM Pediatric programs.

## SCHOOL NEWS |



### Ann McKee Named to *TIME*'s 2018 List of the 50 Most Influential People in Health Care

The list—curated by *TIME*'s health reporters and editors—recognizes 50 people who changed the state of health care in America this year, and bear watching for what they do next



### Alzheimer's Association Awards Research Grants to BUSM Investigators

Biochemistry Postdoc Assoc. Ladan Amin, PhD, has received a three-year research fellowship and Asst. Professor of Medicine Nicole Spartano, PhD, was awarded a research grant.

## UPCOMING EVENT |



## **Breast Cancer: A Panel On Causes and Prevention Possibilities**

Date: 11/7/2018

Time: 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM

Location: Boston University Hillel House

Moderated by Dr. Karen Antman

### **IN MEMORIAM |**



**Osamu Shimomura HON '10**



**Judith Vaitukaitis MED '66**

### **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT |**

#### **Alumni Spotlight**



**Harold Reitman MED '74**

#### **Donor Spotlight**



**Adrienne Parad MED '07**

### **BUSM RESEARCH CORNER |**

- **New Contraceptive Research Center Awarded to BUSM-led Consortium**
- **BUSM Researchers Find Potential Target to Improve Immunotherapy in Triple Negative Breast Cancer**
- **BUSM Researchers Develop Combined Data Model to Better Evaluate for Mild Cognitive Impairment**
- **Gout Drug May Protect Against Chronic Kidney Disease**
- **Simple, Cost Effective Treatment Following Failed Back Surgery Shows Promise in Early Studies**

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