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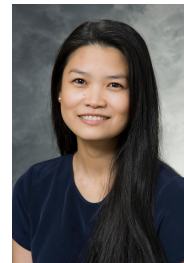
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Notable and Newsworthy

[Ruthie Su, MD](#) received the 2022 Wear Teaching Award in recognition of outstanding Urology resident education.



Urology residents [Rachel Sherrer, MD](#) and [Emily Serrell, MD](#) have both received the 2022 Ira Sisk Award in recognition of outstanding performance on the resident In-Service Exam.

[Rachel Sherrer, MD](#) received the 2022 Resident Teaching Award in recognition of outstanding teaching in the Third Year Surgical Clerkship.

[Kristina Penniston, PhD, RD](#) recently accepted an invitation to serve on the Scientific Advisory Council of the Oxalosis and Hyperoxaluria Foundation. The council develops guidelines for urologists and nephrologists on the management of Primary Hyperoxaluria. Council members also create educational materials that help patients increase the self-efficacy of their disease.



[Kyle Richards, MD, FACS](#) was named the American Urological Association's member to the American Medical Association/Specialty Society RVS Update Committee (RUC). In this role, he will serve as a voting member of the RUC which makes recommendations to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding relative value units and practice expense.

Men's Health Month

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June is Men's Health Month. Men's Health Month provides us an opportunity to raise awareness of a variety of health issues that affect men and boys, particularly prostate and testicular cancer, among other health conditions. Encouraging healthy lifestyles, preventative care practices, regular physicals, and self testicular exams, can help combat these diseases.

Summer Research Update

This summer, the Department of Urology has seven student scholars in the UW SMPH Shapiro Summer Research Program. The programs consists of 8-10 weeks of mentored research conducted by student awardees between M1 and M2 years. The students working on research with Urology faculty this summer include:

Juliana Craig is working with Dr. Abel, exploring the role of cytoreductive nephrectomy in the era of immune checkpoint inhibitors.

Brendan Dolan, under the mentorship of Dr. Abel, is studying the validation of immune profiling as a prognostic tool in patients with recurrent RCC post-nephrectomy.

Diana Garcia is working on a project with Dr. Jarrard, looking at the impact and biology of neoadjuvant androgen deprivation therapy on high-risk prostate cancer prior to prostatectomy.

Akihisa Sakai, under the mentorship of Dr. Grimes, is studying the incidence and management of incidental prostate cancer at the time of enucleative BPH surgery.

Caleb Sokovich is working with Dr. Grimes researching human lichen sclerosis.

Eric Wendt is working with Dr. Shapiro examining the outcomes of percutaneous microwave ablation for renal cell carcinoma among transplant patients.

Xing Yang is working with Dr. Richards looking at patient engagement amongst cystectomy patients.

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