



Thursday, October 9

12:00 p.m. "Mission UnACCOMPLISHED": Optimal Antihypertensive Therapy

Location: *Iris S. and Bert L. Wolstein Research Building, Auditorium*
2103 Cornell Rd., Cleveland, OH 44106

Lawrence J. Kanter, MD (MED '70) Lecture, given this year by Robert D. Brook MD, Executive Director of Cardiovascular Prevention, and Professor of Internal Medicine at Wayne State University.

There is robust evidence that initial single pill combination therapy for hypertension is the best approach for achieving blood pressure control. However, the optimal combination medical regimen to prevent cardiovascular events has been a topic largely ignored for over a decade due to a singular focus on controlling blood pressure. I present evidence that beginning treatment with combination renin angiotensin system blockade plus a calcium channel blocker should be first line for most patients with hypertension and that guidelines should reconsider the current agnostic approach to recommending specific antihypertensive agents.

3:00 p.m. Dean's Distinguished Lecture, PhD: School of Medicine Research Day Keynote

Location: *Biomedical Research Building- Auditorium 105*
2109 Adelbert Rd, Cleveland, OH 44106

Part of the Dean's Distinguished Lecture Series, this event celebrates the remarkable careers of distinguished alumni and friends of the School of Medicine. This year, Dr. Craig Cameron (GRS '93, Biochemistry), Professor and Chair of Microbiology and Immunology at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine, will share his research on viral genome replication.

4:00 p.m. School of Medicine Research Day Judged Student Oral Presentations

Location: *Biomedical Research Building- Auditorium 105*
2109 Adelbert Rd, Cleveland, OH 44106

Immediately following the Dean's Distinguished Lecture, a reception will kick off the event — a wonderful opportunity to mix and mingle with fellow MD, PhD, and Master's alumni while connecting with our talented students across all our programs. Then join us for the annual Graduate and Medical Student Research Day oral presentations. This competitive showcase highlights outstanding research conducted by our graduate and medical students. MedEd and GradEd alumni are invited to listen and may choose to participate as judges.

7:00 p.m. Blue Bash Block Party

Location: *Freiberger Field*

Get ready to paint the campus blue! Join us for Blue Bash, the ultimate kickoff to Homecoming Weekend at Case Western Reserve University. This high-energy celebration brings together students, alumni, parents, faculty, and staff for an evening of school spirit, entertainment, and community pride. Enjoy live music, delicious food, interactive games, and more — all wrapped in a wave of CWRU blue. Whether you're reconnecting with old friends or making new

memories, Blue Bash is the place to start your Homecoming experience with a bang. Come wearing your best Spartan gear and let's show the true spirit of CWRU!

Friday, October 10

8:00 a.m. A Day in the Life of a Medical Student and Breakfast

*Location: Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion, Courtyard and Room 103A/B
9531 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106*

Join us for an enriching event where we explore the invaluable pathways forged between healthcare and the wider world. Discover how our School of Medicine's pathway programs offer students unparalleled opportunities for growth and connection. With nine distinct concentrations to explore, our programs empower students and faculty alike to embark on transformative journeys of discovery and impact.

Don't miss out on this chance to learn more and reconnect with your alma mater!

- Addiction Medicine (Addiction Medicine, Opioid Epidemic Response)
- Advocacy and Public Health (Supporting Social/Economic/Political Change toward Improved Health Outcomes)
- Andrew B. Kaufman, MD World Medicine (Global Health, Healthcare Systems, International)
- Climate and Health (Effects of climate change on health, Sustainability)
- Dr. Edward J. and Nancy M. Mueller Health Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Business of Medicine, Translation, Leadership)
- Humanities (History of Medicine, the Arts, Social Medicine)
- Joseph, Jack and Morton Mandel Wellness & Preventive Care (Nutrition, Wellbeing and Resilience, Integrative Medicine)
- Medical Education Scholars (Engaging and training the next generation, Best Practices in Medical Education)
- Urban Health (Community Health, Healthcare Disparities)

8:00 a.m. A Day in the Life of a Graduate Student: Biomedical Research Department Tours

*Location: Biomedical Research Building- Lobby
2109 Adelbert Rd, Cleveland, OH 44106*

Spend your morning reconnecting with your department and seeing today's cutting-edge research firsthand. Each department will offer a unique experience for biomedical research alumni and friends, including lab tours, demonstrations, and time to engage with current students and faculty. When registering for this event, please indicate which department you would like to visit.

9:00 a.m. School of Medicine SIM Center Tour

*Location: Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion – 2nd Floor SIM Center
9531 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106*

This year, we will feature and give tours of our Zubizarreta Immersive Learning Suite and further AI technology in the Simulation Center. If you choose to participate in these tours, please select which time slot works best for you when registering. Space is limited.

11:30 a.m. Alumni Homecoming Luncheon

*Location: Tinkham Veale University Center-
Ballroom, Room 234
11038 Bellflower Rd., Cleveland, OH 44106*

President Kaler will share the state of the university with alumni, parents, students, and other guests. The 2024 recipients of The Alumni Association Awards are recognized.

3:00 p.m. Dean's Distinguished Lecture, MD: School of Medicine

*Location: Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion – Mandel Conference Suite, Room
176
9531 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106*

This event celebrates the remarkable careers of distinguished alumni and friends of the School of Medicine. This year, TJ Buratynski MD, MPH (MED'95), US Navy Captain (retired) and independent medical consultant, will share how she came to be an aerospace medicine physician, her experiences and perspectives on the role of medicine in this growing specialty.

6:00 p.m. Dean's Welcome Back Reunion Soiree

*Location: Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion – Cosgrove Courtyard
9531 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106*

Join **Dean Stanton Gerson, MD** for a welcome back cocktail reception and dinner as we honor our reunion classes, leadership donors, scholarship supporters and present the 2025 Medical Alumni Awards. You won't want to miss this evening of memories and merriment! Cocktail attire.

Saturday, October 11

8:00 a.m. Medical Education MedConnect Mentoring & Networking Breakfast

*Location: Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion – Cosgrove Courtyard
9531 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106*

Mix, mingle and mentor current CWRU medical students while enjoying a healthy breakfast and offering mentorship. Alumni will be able to sit at tables labeled for their specialty, and students will be able to hop around and network with alumni in attendance. Learn the latest update on MedConnect, our mentoring and networking website, and how you can make an impact on the future graduates of your alma mater.

8:30 a.m. School of Medicine SIM Center Tour and Breakfast

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11:00 a.m. Health Sciences Collaborative Event – Role of Healthcare Providers in the Age of AI

*Location: Sheila and Eric Samson Pavilion, Mandel Conference Suite,
Room 176
9531 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106*

Listen to a panel of presenters from the Schools of Medicine, Nursing and Dental Medicine share insights and answer questions about how AI is emerging in healthcare and the ways it could impact providers.

6:00 p.m. Reunion Class Dinners for all School of Medicine Graduates & Class Photos

Location: InterContinental Cleveland, an IHG Hotel

9801 Carnegie Ave, Cleveland, OH 44106

This is the perfect ending to a wonderful weekend of reminiscing with your classmates. Retreat with your classmates to catch up and enjoy a private class dinner. For many alumni, these dinners are the highlight of reunion weekend! Professional class photos will be taken during your class dinner.

Sunday, October 12

9:00 a.m. SNMA & LMSA Mentoring Breakfast

Location: InterContinental Cleveland, an IHG Hotel: Six Continents Room

9801 Carnegie Ave., Cleveland, OH, 44106

On behalf of the CWRU Student National Medical Association (SNMA) and Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA), we would like to invite all alumni who identify as underrepresented in medicine, to a networking breakfast with current students. Learning from those that came before us, forming connections and growing our community are ideals we uphold in our organization's mission. We would love the opportunity to meet with URIM alumni and foster connectedness between current student and alumni.

Save the Date for Next Year's Reunion:

October 8-11, 2026!