



Global Emergency Care Collaborative

Newsletter – Autumn 2023

Hello GECCo!

Welcome to the Autumn 2023 edition of your newsletter. In this issue we've got plenty of exciting events to highlight in the coming weeks, opportunities to get involved in and some updates on what GECCo has been up to since the summer.

Upcoming events:

We are currently discussing our next GECCo events: we are hoping to deliver one online over the coming months and another face to face in spring/summer 2024. We are using the feedback and outcomes from our fantastic [summer event in Edinburgh](#) to shape our plan - more on this soon!

Blog Updates:



The Bristol-Nanyuki partnership: "those who sim together, win together"

In summer 2023 Olivia Duffy was deployed to Kenya with the [BRI GEM Fellowship](#) with support from [Dharura](#) to assist in the establishment of a train-the-trainer programme for simulation training in the [Nanyuki Teaching and Referral Hospital](#). Here she talks us through her time with the team, discussing sim theory with lots of useful resources for those less familiar with this training style.

[Read more about her experiences.](#)

Gaza: the emergency care voice rescued from a sea of politics

Recent events have led to a very confusing rhetoric in social and mainstream media. This has spilled over into some 'official' statements from the emergency care community which, whilst making very important points, do not directly address the daily escalation in suffering as a result of military action in Gaza. The growing fear of appearing partisan or non-neutral is leading many to fall silent on issues which are objectively morally wrong. [This article](#) highlights our advocacy role as emergency care practitioners, which easily transcends politics.

External Opportunities:

We regularly update our website with the latest opportunities in global EM. Please see a selection of the most recent opportunities below and head to our [website](#) for more information. Please note these opportunities are external to GECCo.

📍 *Bristol Global Emergency Care Conference: Inspiration, Education and Increasing Participation*
24th November 2023, 9:00-17:00, The Watershed, Bristol - tickets [here](#)

📍 *Emergency Care Conference: Shaping Future Emergency Care Pathways, Learning from Others* - IFEM + the Institute of Government and Public Policy (IGPP) 22nd November 2023, 9:00-16:00, 15 Hatfields, London - tickets [here](#)

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🕒 *Moving Healthcare Forward in the ED: Lessons and Learning from Refugee and Inclusion Health* – RCEM 9th November 2023, 9:30- 16:30 – tickets [here](#)

🕒 *DRC Trauma Registry Implementation Volunteer – Kings Health Partners* – applications open until 10th November and accepted on a rolling basis – more info [here](#)

GECCo on Tour:

Team connected via GECCo have both recently published in the European Journal of Emergency Medicine, find the papers here:

"Mapping global health activity amongst UK emergency care practitioners: time for a Europe-wide approach?"

"Emergency medicine engagement in global health: what does 10 years of the global emergency medicine literature review tell us?"

If you are interested to hear more about either of these projects (or would like to request a full text copy of the manuscript) either contact the corresponding author or drop us an email and we'll pop you in touch.



Getting Involved:

We are always keen to hear from healthcare professionals who would like to get involved with GECCo. It is not necessary to have experience in global EM, just some enthusiasm! Equally, we would love to hear from those with experience who we can learn from.

Your contribution could include helping to organise events, bringing a new global EM idea to life, technical support for our website, writing a blog post, or whatever else you feel you may be able to offer. We understand that working in healthcare can be stressful and commitments may change - we will always accommodate this. If you would like to get involved, please reach out to us via email at contactgecco@gmail.com, on twitter (@GECCoUK), or via the contact form on our website.

We are especially keen to get aboard anyone with skills in any form of simple video animation/media development to help out with our "ID4ED" project. Don't be shy – a little bit of skill plus some willing, is all we are looking for, not the next Mark Zuckerberg!

And finally...

Thank you very much for your continued support.

For more content, information and opportunities, please take a look at our website [here](#).