



Montefiore

From the OFFICE OF THE DEAN



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Dear Einstein Community:

Postdoctoral trainees at Einstein are the cornerstone of our research enterprise, and their success is vital to our success at the College of Medicine. With this in mind, we've created a new senior leadership position—associate dean for postdoctoral affairs—whose function will be to support and advance the interests of our postdoctoral trainees. It gives us great pleasure to announce that [Anne Bresnick, Ph.D.](#), has been promoted to serve in this critical role.

[Anne's appointment](#) recognizes the excellence, vision, and professionalism with which she has served as director of the Belfer Institute for Advanced Biomedical Studies, the administrative home for postdocs, since October 2015 and underscores her superb qualifications to serve as our inaugural associate dean for postdoctoral affairs. Over nearly a quarter-century mentoring students and postdocs at Einstein, Anne has demonstrated her commitment to supporting and guiding early career scientists. That focus has allowed her to enrich the postdoc experience at Einstein over the past six years, providing oversight to their training and advocating on their behalf.

Since the inception of Einstein's Belfer Institute in 1979, it has served approximately 2,500 postdocs, and currently supports 270 young investigators. Its chief goal is to provide the best possible scientific training and social environment for postdoctoral researchers. Under Anne's leadership, the Belfer Institute has enhanced Einstein's position as a preeminent training ground in biomedical science.

Also a professor of biochemistry, Anne is a cancer researcher whose work focuses

on understanding the mechanisms mediating tumor cell migration, invasion, and metastasis. Her lab team seeks to develop novel treatments that improve the cancer survival rate of patients by preventing the disease from spreading throughout the body.

Additionally, Anne has served on the Sue Golding Graduate admissions committee, the committee for the office of grant support, the faculty senate, and the faculty mentoring committee. She has chaired Einstein's committee on appointments and promotions for associate professors and has served on and chaired department of biochemistry faculty search committees. She currently serves as chair of the College of Medicine's patent committee and is associate director for cancer education and training in the Albert Einstein Cancer Center. She is also a member of the American Society for Cell Biology and has served on multiple study sections and review panels for the NIH, as well as study sections for the Department of Defense and the American Heart Association.

Anne joined Einstein in 1985 as a graduate student in the department of anatomy and structural biology, after graduating from the University of Maryland the same year with a B.S. in biochemistry. She received her Ph.D. from Einstein in 1991 and completed her postdoctoral fellowship at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in 1996. Anne returned to Einstein in 1996, as an assistant professor of biochemistry and was appointed professor in 2008.

In her new role, she will report to both of us, and she will continue to be assisted by the Belfer Institute administrator. She also will continue in her roles as professor of biochemistry, chair of the patent committee, and associate director for cancer education and training in the Albert Einstein Cancer Center.

Please join us in thanking Anne for her excellent work and in wishing her every success in undertaking this new and important role.

Sincerely,

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