## Social Media Advocacy

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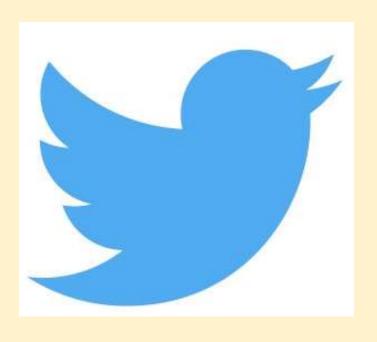
**Goal:** Establish a formal, sustainable residency curriculum that prepares residents to be effective advocates for children when issues arise, by inspiring them to meet the need for pediatric advocacy, building skills for successful advocacy through didactic lectures & hands-on training in a variety of pediatric advocacy issues & reducing barriers to participation through supervised practice.

#### Key components will include:

- 1. A new, formalized longitudinal advocacy curriculum.
- 2. An advocacy workshop series on legislative advocacy and print media, TV media, and social media advocacy.
- Practice with on-camera interviews, setting up professional social media accounts, writing opeds and blog posts, speaking to legislators, and framing advocacy messages effectively for various audiences.

**Outcomes:** We will start an ongoing advocacy curriculum while increasing the visibility of advocacy at our organization. The theme "Getting Started in Advocacy" will help residents develop and apply knowledge and skills in media, community, and legislative advocacy, leading up to Georgia's Primary Care Legislative Day.

#### Goals



- Increase volume of accurate health info available online
- Empower participants to advocate in new mediums
- Encourage participants to diversify their perspectives
- Reduce perceived barriers to online advocacy

## **Objectives**



- Set up a professional twitter account
- Retweet to amplify important public health messages
- Network with others on Twitter
- Avoid career-damaging mistakes

## Why add this to your checklist?



- Tweetiatrician
- The fiction is out there
  - Combat bad actors
  - Amplify accurate information
- You're already on your phone

#### What does it cost?



- Time
- Image management
  - Don't be sloppy
  - Don't be a jerk
  - Don't share patient info or 'out' patient stories

## What's your platform?



- The Web Blogs, est. sites
- The Facebooks
- Twitter
- Instagram
- Pinterest

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## 1 | Do 1 | Teach 1

- Follow
  - People that interest you.
  - Your professional org
  - CDC, NIH, Journals you admire.

# How do you advocate on Social Media?



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Replies



- Scheduled chats like
  - #WomenInMedicine
  - #MedEdChat
  - @MedHumChat



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### **UNIQUE PERSPECTIVES**



 What is the story that ONLY YOU can tell?





Today is Thomas and Jude's birthday. T is turning 4, but Jude isn't. He died on May 6/16 from flu B. He was a perfectly healthy two-year-old. Today I get to spoil T when he's home from school, but I'll never get to hug Jude again. Let me tell you about him. /1 #forjudeforeveryone



L Justin Trudeau and 9 others

8:08 AM · Jan 16, 2018 · Twitter Web Client

1.7K Retweets 2.8K Likes

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Speaking at a conference at @uwstout this morning before the first @ForwardMSNFC home game?

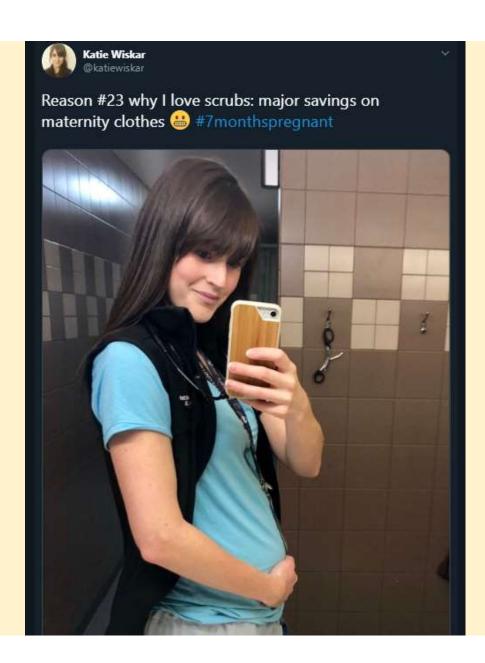
No problem, I'm still ready to go #FullMingo!

(Hoping for no delays returning to snowy Madison later...)



**Sometimes Y** 

- Don't be afraid to show your humanity & personality.
- Keep it light
  - Exceptions: on-brand anecdote
- Examples
  - Goofy ties / socks
  - Kids / Pets
  - Competitive races

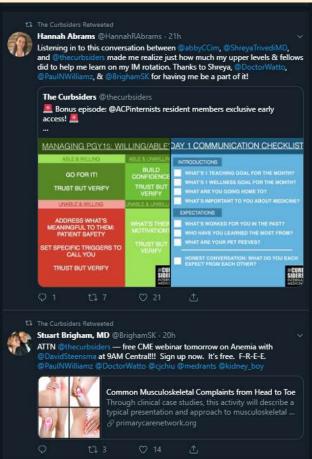


# What Else Can I do on Twitter?

Increase visibility



#### **Medical Education**



- #FOAMed
- Free
- +/- CME credits

Stay current in areas of your interest



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17 You Retweeted



Amy Shriver, MD @shriver\_amy · 21h

this article by @NerissaBauer on the impact of #ACES and what to do about them!

#FindYour3

ACEs – Adverse Childhood Experiences healthychildren.org/English/health...

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## th You Retweeted Josh Rubin, MD 💉 @DrSandman11 · May 3 Need to cancel surgery for legit anesthesia reasons Surgeons **9** 351 Q 10 **11** 69 ₾

### **Have Fun**

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## **Pro-tips**

- Focus on the process numbers & influence will come over time.
- Follow a diverse range of perspectives to avoid echo-chamber effect.

## When was the last time you...

- Cared for a sick child?
- Reassured a worried parent?
- Problem-solved in real-time during an appointment?
- Explained a complex medical issue in a way that was easy for a family to understand?



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Advocacy is a part of the work you do every day

## **Questions & Answers**