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## This Week in Primary Care The Welcome a Board Issue

This week we are excited to welcome three new **board members!** See below to learn all about them!

To help amplify our message and reach a wider audience, we need your support in boosting the **PC4AA Twitter handle!** See below for steps you can take to help us grow our presence!

After a brief break, Teach-in/Learn-Ins are back! Join us on **Tuesday, August 13**, for a conversation about community conversations! Details below...

Speaking of Teach-Ins, PC4AA is looking for someone to **help produce our bi-weekly Zoom meetings!** If you have people skills and five hours a week, this is a great way to earn a little money while doing a lot of good! **Click here** if you are interested!

**The sad saga of Steward Health** continues: Massachusetts communities Dorchester and Ayer will be losing access to primary care (and a lot more) when two Steward hospitals close this month. Greed, cowardice, and flat-out criminality have won out over people's health. Our movement fights back by putting people over profits!

Also, **watch the video** of our most recent Teach-In/Learn-In, where Jack explains how movements start with just two people. Remember, you are one of them! Scroll all the way down to see the video.

Keep reading...

- Do you have a primary care story? Good or bad, **we want to hear it!**

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- FOLLOW PC4AA ON [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and [LinkedIn](#)!
- Please **support PC4AA** in the fight for primary care for people, not for profit!

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FOLLOW US

Go to @PC4AA and click "Follow"



*Like*



**Retweet**



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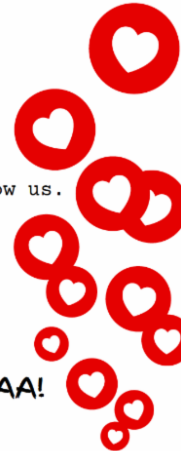
Mention @PC4AA in your tweets and encourage others to follow us.




Add our Twitter and other social links to your email signature and share in your networks.



Create content, post relevant tweets, and tag @PC4AA!



Tweet now!



## Teach-In/Learn-In

### Tuesday, August 13

### 8:30pm EST

**Community  
Conversations  
About Providing**

# ABOUT PROVIDING Primary Care to All



*Health care for people, not for profit!*

**REGISTER NOW!**

**[tinyurl.com/PC4AAZoom](https://tinyurl.com/PC4AAZoom)**

*Join PC4AA for a conversation about  
making primary care accessible for all!*

Register Now!

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Each week we showcase how access to primary care makes people healthier, saves money, and can be the cornerstone of a healthcare system that puts people over profit.

Was this newsletter forwarded to you? Do you believe in access to primary care for all Americans? **Click here to join our mailing list!**

Invite a Friend to Join the Movement!

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Please join us in welcoming new members to  
our board of directors!





**Sara Pastoor, MD, MHA, FAAFP**, is a board-certified and clinically active family medicine physician. As an experienced primary care innovator in military medicine, academic medicine, private practice, street medicine, and employer-sponsored delivery models, Dr Pastoor is an accomplished primary care champion and leader. She received her medical degree from Rosalind Franklin University of Health Sciences and masters of healthcare administration from Trinity University. She currently serves as Head of Primary Care Advancement at Elation Health, a primary care-focused EHR company.



**Judith Steinberg, MD, MPH**, is a primary care internist and infectious disease specialist. After practice and clinical leadership roles at community health centers in Boston, she served as the Chief Medical Officer at the Bureau of Primary Health Care in the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and as a Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary for Health. She led the HHS Initiative to Strengthen Primary Health Care and the development of an HHS action plan to strengthen primary care across 14 HHS agencies.



**Hana Hamdi, MPH**, is pursuing an advanced practice degree in Nurse-Midwifery at Yale University. Formally a Clinical Data Analyst at Planned Parenthood of Greater New York, her goal has always been to support women and marginalized communities. Ms. Hamdi majored in Biomedical Engineering with a minor in Women's and Gender Studies at Rutgers University and received her Master's of Public Health from Columbia University, studying the Child Friendly space needs of Syrian refugees living in Jordan, palliative care in hospitals in Senegal, childhood asthma in New York City, and a health workforce strengthening program in Uganda. She is committed to creating a world where everyone has equitable access to preventive and primary care.



Tracking Steward's decline

## Judge approves Steward's plan to close 2 hospitals by month's end

Steward also provided an update on increasingly tense negotiations with its landlord about how to distribute proceeds from sales.

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A federal judge approved on Wednesday Steward Health Care’s plan to close two Massachusetts hospitals: Carney Hospital and Nashoba Valley Medical Center. The judge called the decision legally appropriate and proper, yet “painful.”

Since Steward entered Chapter 11 restructuring in May, the Dallas-based health system has sought to sell its portfolio of assets, including its 31 hospitals and its physician group, Stewardship Health, to pay back its \$9 billion in outstanding debt.

[Read the Article](#)

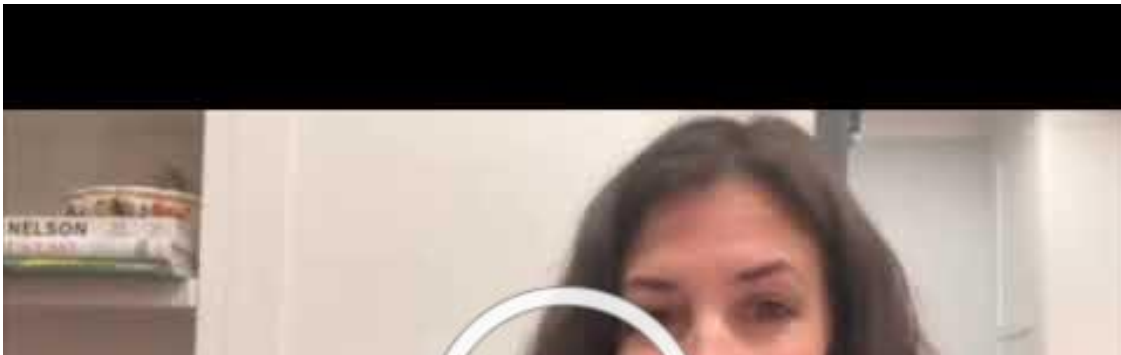
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## Share Your Primary Care Story With Us!

Have you had an unfortunate experience trying to access primary care? A great experience with a primary care provider? Whether you are a patient, caretaker, or health care professional, we want to hear your story! How has access to primary care affected you and your family?

[Tell Us Your Story](#)

We may even ask you to share your story with our supporters in one of our bi-weekly Teach-In/Learn-Ins! You can watch Kristen's story for inspiration.





**Watch Kristen's Primary Care Story**

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**Watch Our Teach-In/Learn-In:  
Jack Ricchiuto on the Power of Two!**



**Watch Recordings of All Our**

## Recent Teach-In/Learn-Ins

PC4AA Videos

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## The PC4AA Website is now available in Spanish!

PC4AA Español

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