

Anesthesiology & Pain Medicine EDI Brief - March 2022

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April was designated Celebrate Diversity Month in 2004 with the goal to recognize and honor the different cultures and perspectives around us. Members of the APM community can celebrate by supporting local businesses owned by women, people of color and LGBTQAI2S+ people.

Ramadan, April 2nd to May 2nd

For Muslims, **Ramadan** is a time to feel closer to God, pray, spend time with family, and build community through charity. During Ramadan, **Muslims around the world fast from sunrise to sunset**. This typically means no food or water throughout the day.

While young children, the elderly, people with health problems, and women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or on their periods aren't expected to fast, healthcare providers will likely interact with **fasting patients, families, and colleagues**.

Members of APM can find ways to support and acknowledge this important time of year for Muslim patients, families, colleagues, and trainees. Educating ourselves is the first step:

- Amnesty International - [10 Quick Facts for those who don't know much about Ramadan](#)
- [Caring for Muslim Patients Who Fast During Ramadan](#)

Diversity Council Highlights

Applications for the [Anesthesiology Visiting Student Clerkship](#) closed **April 1**

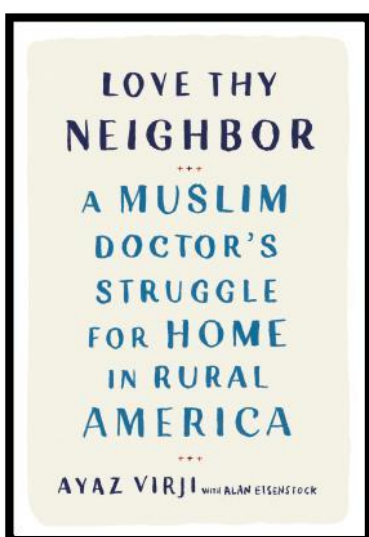
- 20 students applied for the AVSP scholarships. The EDI Council will review and offer 5 rotations for AY23.

2022 Resident Match Results

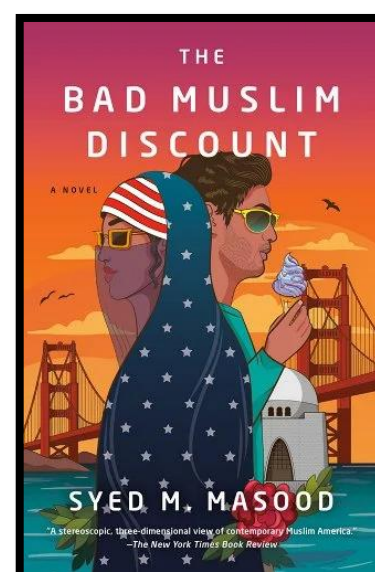
- 25% of incoming interns identify as Underrepresented in Medicine
- Women make up 57% of interns

Resources

Recommended Reading:



[Love Thy Neighbor: A Muslim Doctor's Struggle for Home in Rural America](#), Ayaz Virji



[The Bad Muslim Discount](#), Syed M. Masood

[Eid Al-Fitr: End of Ramadan Celebration](#), in partnership with the Seattle Housing Authority

- A free event for families that includes **crafts, entertainment, henna, food, and all-ages activities**.