

On the Cover

At the CU Anschutz Medical Campus, healthcare workers like Jacqueline Ward-Gaines, MD, are on the front lines fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, bravely caring for patients. It hasn't been an easy task, but Dr. Ward-Gaines' background prepared her for it. Her former career as a flight surgeon in the U.S. Army led to a strong interest in emergency management, and eventually, a role as an emergency physician treating patients in the Department Emergency at UCHealth University of Colorado Hospital, where she brings an arsenal of skills.

Dr. Ward-Gaines also holds an important leadership role on diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) efforts in the CU Department of Emergency Medicine, helping to ensure that all students receive an equitable education that eliminates health disparities of their future patients. In addition, She spearheads a DEI curriculum for emergency medicine residents, and works within the Society for Academic Emergency Medicine to bring DEI resources to the forefront of medicine. A faculty member since 2006, Dr. Ward-Gaines serves tirelessly to deliver high-quality care to patients, while rising meet extraordinary new challenges.