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Kamran Mirza is an Associate Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Medical Education, and Applied Health Sciences at Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine and Parkinson School of Health Sciences and Public Health in Maywood, Illinois.

He serves as the Assistant Dean for Diversity Equity and Inclusion at Stritch School of Medicine, Vice-Chair of Education and Academic Affairs in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Program Director of the Hematopathology fellowship, founding Program Director of the M.S. in Medical Laboratory Science, Assistant Course Director for the M2 Mechanisms of Human Disease Course, the Director of medical student pathology education in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, and a Health Equity advocate for Stritch School of Medicine.

Dr. Mirza graduated with academic distinction and as recipient of the "Rivaz Gold Medal" for overall excellence from Aitchison College in Lahore, Pakistan in 1998. He completed medical school at the prestigious, independent, research University - Aga Khan University in Karachi, Pakistan in 2003. He completed his Ph.D. thesis work under Professor Asrar B. Malik, PhD, the Schweppe Family Distinguished Professor and Director for the Center of Lung and Vascular Biology at the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2010. He continued his training at the University of Chicago, where he completed an AP/CP Pathology residency. During this time, he was selected to be Chief Resident and won several awards including pathologist-in-training awards from the Society for Pediatric Pathology and the Society for Ultrastructural Pathology, a young investigator award from the Society of Cardiovascular Pathology and the A. James McAdams Study Stipend from the Society for Pediatric Pathology. He continued his training at the University of Chicago and received fellowship training in hematopathology (under the supervision of Dr. James Vardiman) and thoracic pathology (under the supervision of Dr. Aliya Husain). Given his passion for medical education, he completed a fellowship in Medical Education Research, Innovation, Teaching & Scholarship (MERITS) at the University of Chicago.

An award winning educator and mentor, Dr. Mirza has been the recipient of several dozen local, regional and national teaching awards. He is the recipient of the 2022 Association of Pathology Chairs Michele Raible Award for Distinguished Education. He received the 2021 American Society for Clinical Pathology's H. P. Smith Award for Distinguished Pathology Educator, the 2021 College of American Pathologists Pathology Advancement Award, the 2020 CAP Resident Advocate Award, and the 2019 ASCP Mentorship Award. He received both the regional and national M. Brownell Anderson Award for New and Emerging Educators by the Central Group on Educational Affairs (CGEA), the Midwest education group within the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) in 2020. The American Society of Clinical Pathology recognized him as a Top 5 Forty Under Forty honoree in 2017 and he was a recent faculty inductee to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society via Stritch School of Medicine. Dr. Mirza has been recognized in The Pathologist magazine's Power List 100 consecutively for the past 5 years and he is one of the top 10 most followed Pathologists on Twitter.

Dr. Mirza spearheaded the creation of PathElective.com, a free, modular website that has provided pathology education to over 100,000 users across the world in the past year alone. In efforts of advancing pathology, he has also co-founded the ASCP's Virtual Pathology Grand Rounds, the PathPod podcast, the International Collaborative of Pathologists, www.hemereports.com, and the Digital Communications Fellowship in Pathology in partnership with the Pathologist magazine. He is the Chair-Elect for the CGEA and a member of the APC UMEDs council. He serves on the advisory board for "Inside the Match" and "Match to Path" platforms and has been honored with several teaching and education awards at the medical student and resident level and continues to explore novel ways to impart pathology pedagogy across the world. Dr. Mirza's educational research focuses on molecular pathogenesis of myeloid malignancies, novel pedagogical tools in medical education, the advancement of interprofessional education, and use of social media for pathology education.