ADVOCACY DAY LEADERS

JON GOLD, MD
ADVOCACY DAY LEAD AND PLANNER

Dr. Gold is a general pediatrician, an educator, and an associate professor in the Department of Pediatrics and Human Development at Michigan State University. He went to medical school at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and completed a pediatric residency at New England Medical Center in Boston. After a short stint in private practice, he joined the faculty at Michigan State University in 2001 where he enjoys caring for children and teaching students and residents at all levels of training.

GURBAKSH ESCH, MD
MENTAL HEALTH PANEL FACILITATOR

Dr. Esch is currently a third-year pediatric resident at Royal Oak Beaumont, where she has started a health equity rounds curriculum to recognize and mitigate implicit bias, understanding systemic racism and its context in medicine, and making evidence-based individual, program, and institutional changes toward health equity. She has also worked on quality improvement projects focused on improving HPV vaccination rates in the resident clinic and improving resident and medical student education on common pediatric skin rashes on Black and Brown children.

She looks forward to her time as the inaugural pediatric public health initiative Alice Hamilton Scholar and returning to Flint, MI, explicitly focusing on parenting and ACES research.