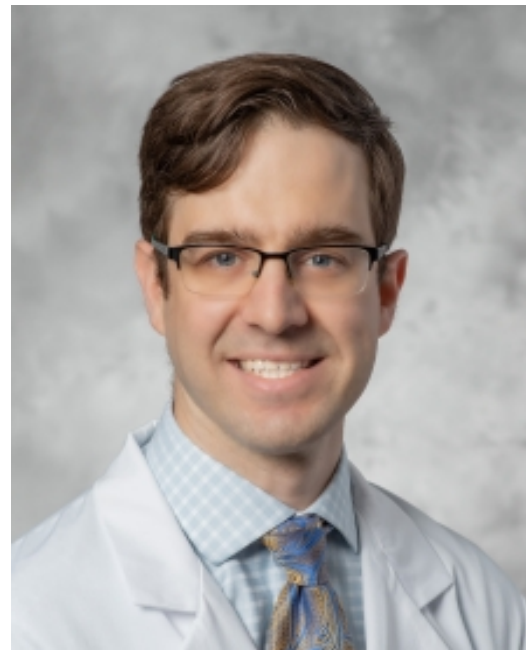




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Two Cardiologists Join Faculty

**J.R. Exequiel "Keng" Pineda,
MD, PhD**



Andrew R. Williams, MD

Two cardiologists recently joined the University of Arizona Sarver Heart Center. **J.R. Exequiel T. "Keng" Pineda, MD, PhD**, and **Andrew R. Williams, MD**, are now faculty members of the UArizona College of Medicine – Tucson, Department of Medicine, **Division of Cardiology**, and are currently seeing patients at **Banner – University Medical Center Tucson**.

"The rapid growth in cardiovascular medicine at the University of Arizona Health Sciences and Banner – University Medicine continues with our new faculty members, Drs. Pineda and Williams. We are more able than ever

to provide highly personalized care to all patients with heart disease, vascular diseases and at risk for heart disease,” said **Nancy K. Sweitzer, MD, PhD**, director of the UArizona Sarver Heart Center, professor of medicine and cardiology chief.

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Taking Care of Hearts in the COVID-19 Era

Regular follow-up care as well as urgent and emergent care keeps hearts healthy and saves lives. COVID-19 precautionary guidelines work to keep care providers and patients safe, according to current experience. Drs. **Kwan Lee** and **Karl Kern** discuss the importance of getting necessary care and offer the latest knowledge on chest-compression-only CPR in case of sudden cardiac arrest.



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Faculty Share Expertise Nationally, Internationally

Learn where Sarver Heart Center members, including **Nancy K. Sweitzer, MD, PhD, Carol Gregorio, PhD, Khadijah Breathett, MD, MS, Michael Grandner, PhD**, have been sharing their expertise.

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Sarver Heart Community Leader Extends Reach During Pandemic

People support Sarver Heart Center’s mission in many ways. **Wanda F Moore** gives to Sarver Heart Center in every way possible – through her time, talents and treasures; plus she connects Sarver Heart Center with numerous community partners. This summer, Wanda, as co-chair of the **Women’s Heart Health Education Committee** and chair of the **Minority Outreach Program**, secured a grant from the Community Foundation of Southern Arizona to support the community education and outreach work of the Minority Outreach Program and Community Coalition for Heart Health Education.



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Students Advance Aspirations through UArizona Programs

Ambitious, dedicated students affiliated with Sarver Heart Center turned to University of Arizona programs this summer to advance their academic aspirations. **Eli Lefkowitz**, a high school student, was a KEYS Research intern; **Natalia De La Vina** participated in the BLAISER Program; **Ike Chinyere** was part of the Face Industry Networking Event (FINE); **Tanya Sandhu** started the Tucson Mask Project.

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Are You Interested in Clinical Research Participation?

New faculty and new heart health challenges are keeping the Sarver Heart Center Clinical Research Team busy screening and enrolling patients for clinical trials underway. Please complete a **Clinical Research Registry Information Form** to learn about clinical research studies for which you may be eligible.

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