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TEXAS RESEARCH-TO-POLICY COLLABORATION PROJECT

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10th Annual Philip R. Nader Legacy of Health Lectureship

The [Annual Philip R. Nader Legacy of Health Lectureship](#) promotes and inspires academics, providers, public health students and community residents to stimulate the fields of primary prevention and community pediatrics. The overall goal is to move the needle toward an improved health status for both parents and children by focusing on early life cycle systems.

The 10th Annual Lectureship, "[Culinary Medicine as Catalyst: Bridging Public Health, Primary Care, and Community Partnership](#)," will feature keynote speaker Dr. Jaclyn Lewis Albin.

Food is a powerful tool for prevention, connection, and health transformation. This lecture explores the evolution of a culinary medicine and Food as Medicine model rooted in interprofessional education, clinical innovation, and sustainable community-academic partnerships. Through real-world examples from North Texas, the presentation will demonstrate how linking public health and primary care through food and cooking can empower communities, inspire meaningful research, and promote collaboration in health systems. Attendees will gain insights into strategies for planning and building sustainable programs that leverage community expertise and reimagine systems that nourish health from the ground up.

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Jaclyn Lewis Albin, MD, CCMS, DipABLM is an Associate Professor of Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, and Public Health at University of Texas Southwestern (UTSW). She is the Inaugural Director of UTSW's Culinary Medicine Program, which teaches nutrition and care innovation through hands-on cooking to students, health care professionals, and the community. She developed the first Culinary Medicine (CM) Clinical Service Line, integrating interprofessional CM consults and group medical visits into patient care.



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Upcoming Webinar



Local Wellness Policies and the Role of School Health Advisory Councils
September 16, 2025, from 11:00 - 12:00pm CT

Local Wellness Policies and the Role of School Health Advisory Councils (SHACs) are vital in helping promote healthy learning environments for school-aged children. This webinar will define both local wellness policies and SHACs and provide useful resources individuals can use in their local school districts.

Register here



Infant Formulas: What's new and what's coming in "Stork Speed"

September 17, 2025, from 11:00 - 12:00pm CT

In the wake of recent formula shortages and growing public interest in alternative feeding options, this session will unpack the latest innovations, regulatory shifts, and scientific findings shaping the future of infant formulas in the U.S. and abroad. Whether you're a healthcare provider, nutrition expert, policymaker, or parent champion, this webinar will equip you with the knowledge to navigate and communicate the complexities of infant formula options with confidence.

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The [Texas Research-to-Policy Collaboration \(TX RPC\) Project](#) is a nonpartisan network that aims to bridge research and policy by supporting partnerships between child health researchers and legislators.

If you and your legislative office are interested in collaborating with our team to receive data-driven information at state, district, and local levels, please reach out to TXRPCNetwork@uth.tmc.edu.

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