
Journal Editors Recognize Faisal Masud, M.D., for his Exceptional Guidance on this Issue Addressing Cardiovascular Critical Care



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The editors of the *Methodist DeBakey Cardiovascular Journal* thank Faisal Masud, M.D., F.C.C.P., F.C.C.M., for his outstanding leadership on this issue covering cardiovascular critical care. Dr. Masud is the medical director of critical care, vice chair for quality and patient safety, associate quality officer at Houston Methodist Hospital, and medical director of the cardiovascular intensive care unit at Houston Methodist DeBakey Heart & Vascular Center. In addition, he is

a professor of clinical anesthesiology at Weill Cornell Medical College, professor of anesthesiology at the Houston Methodist Institute of Academic Medicine, and adjunct professor in the Department of Acute and Continuing Care at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.

Dr. Masud completed his medical training at Rawalpindi Medical College in Pakistan followed by fellowships at Sinai Hospital,

the Cleveland Clinic, and Duke University Medical Center. He began working at Houston Methodist Hospital in 1997, rising quickly to become medical director of the cardiac intensive care unit in 2002. His clinical and research interests are focused on reducing sepsis, infection control, patient safety, quality, teamwork, and care of elderly patients; he has published and lectured extensively on these topics throughout his career.

Education has been a longstanding priority for Dr. Masud, and he has repeatedly been recognized for his teaching accomplishments. He is a four-time recipient of the Golden Apple Award for excellence in teaching and won the Dean H. Morrow Resident Mentor Award in 2001 and the prestigious Fulbright & Jaworski Faculty Excellence Award in educational leadership in 2004, the same year that he was elected a member of the Academy of Distinguished Educators at Baylor College of Medicine. Among his many clinical honors are the 2010 Association of Professionals in Infection Control Heroes of Infection Prevention Award and the 2014 John W. Overstreet, M.D., Award, given each year to a physician at Houston Methodist Hospital who exemplifies the best of the medical profession.