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### CLINICAL RESEARCH

#### **IMPACT:** Providing Relief From Chronic Rhinosinusitis in Cystic Fibrosis

The work of CHEST grant recipient Shahid Sheikh, MD, and his colleagues—published in *JAMA Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery*—revealed a positive impact of elexacaftor-tezacaftor-ivacaftor on chronic rhinosinusitis in patients with cystic fibrosis (CF). Their work also showed that their CF-specific Sheikh-Lind sinus CT scoring system is as good as the gold-standard Lund-Mackay scoring system in quantifying both extent of sinus disease and response to therapy.

### COMMUNITY IMPACT

#### **IMPACT:** Supporting the Local Community in Hawai'i

A new CHEST venture at the annual meeting in Honolulu emphasized meaningful engagement with local communities. Donor funding made it possible for CHEST to host a booth focused on pediatric and youth asthma awareness and prevention at the Wai'anae Farmers' Market. In addition to providing educational guidance, volunteers distributed 200 free masks and spacers to the community.



### DEDICATION TO EDUCATION

#### **IMPACT:** Improving Diversity in Respiratory Care

Thanks to your gifts, CHEST was able to partner with the Association of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Program Directors on a new Medical Educator Scholar Diversity Fellowship Award, which will provide mentorship and funding for fellows who intend to pursue a career in medical education and significantly contribute to the diversity of the medical education community. Başak Çoruh, MD, FCCP, was selected as the mentor, with the mentee decision still underway.

### SUPPORT OF THE PROFESSION

#### **IMPACT:** Making the CHEST Annual Meeting More Accessible

The CHEST Diversity Travel Grants program helps clinicians from underrepresented populations who are in training or within the first 5 years of practice access the outstanding education and networking opportunities at the CHEST Annual Meeting. Your gifts provided funding for 37 clinicians to receive complimentary registration to CHEST 2023 and \$1,500 travel stipends.



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