LVHN Daily–Hazleton Launches

This week was the premier of LVHN Daily–Hazleton, your everyday source for LVHN news online. LVHN Daily–Hazleton is part of the Communication Cascade to keep you informed about what’s happening throughout LVH–Hazleton and our health network.

Response has been positive. If you haven’t checked out LVHN Daily–Hazleton yet, please do so, and visit often. New information is posted every day. Here’s a lesson on how to use it.

CLICK A CATEGORY

Every time a new story is posted, it will fall into one of eight categories listed in the top navigation bar. Here are the types of stories you’ll find in each category:

► News – When there’s a breaking story, announcement or event, you can read about it here.
► Stories About Colleagues – Meet the Service Star of the Month and PRIDE Award recipient, read the Service Anniversary list and learn about great things your colleagues are doing.
► Wellness – Get information about ways LVHN can help you live healthy.
► Goals and Strategy – Find out if we’re reaching our goals, learn how you can help us achieve them, and understand how our goals reflect LVHN’s strategic plan.
► Benefits – Get information related to our health plan and other benefits.
► Discounts and Perks – Learn about opportunities to save money, go on trips, get tickets to events, celebrate with colleagues and discover more of the advantages of working here.
► Nursing – Meet members of our nursing team and learn about their exceptional work.
► From Our Leaders – Read messages from President and CEO Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Terry Capuano, LVH–Hazleton President John Fletcher and other leaders.

READ ALL STORIES

An infinite scroll of all the stories ever posted on LVHN Daily appears in chronological order.

LIKE AND SHARE STORIES

Each story contains a like button, similar to Facebook. You also can share a story by emailing or printing it.

SHARE YOUR NEWS AND INFORMATION

You are encouraged to send your stories and ideas to post on LVHN Daily–Hazleton. Please direct your information to Jane Danish at jane.danish@LVHN.org.

WHAT’S NEXT?

Since LVHN Daily–Hazleton is so new, today’s edition and the Sept. 22 edition of LVHN Weekly–Hazleton will continue to include full stories and photos. On Sept. 29, LVHN Weekly–Hazleton will change to include headlines that link to the week’s LVHN Daily stories. Think of it as a wrap-up of everything that happened at LVHN and LVH–Hazleton that week.

In case you’ve missed them, this edition of LVHN Weekly–Hazleton contains all the stories that were posted on LVHN Daily–Hazleton this week.
Our Commitment to Carbon County Remains

In the changing world of health care, it’s my goal to keep you up to date on the industry and how LVHN is navigating the current environment.

As you may know, St. Luke’s University Health Network and Blue Mountain Health System announced their intent to merge.

LVHN has provided nationally recognized health care services to the residents of Carbon County for decades. We remain steadfast in our commitment to this region. Residents of these communities can continue to choose LVHN for primary care and specialty services – including burn, trauma, emergency, neuro, heart, cancer and telehealth services. Also, residents now have access to more advanced patient care, research and education through our new LVHN Heart Institute, LVHN Cancer Institute and LVHN Institute for Special Surgery.

LVHN will continue to focus on the health care needs of the residents of Carbon County who have trusted us to provide their care for many years. We appreciate their trust and look forward to continuing to serve their needs.

I will continue to keep you up to date on our strategy. You can take steps to stay informed by reviewing my monthly CEO Update, attending Town Hall meetings and talking with your manager about the latest LVHN news via the Communication Cascade.

Thank you for all you do to heal, comfort and care in all the communities we serve.

ABOUT ME: My name is Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP, and I am the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN). I came to LVHN in 1998 as the Director of LVH–Muhlenberg’s Emergency Department. Prior to becoming President and CEO in 2014, I served as the health network’s Chief Strategy Officer. I am originally from Reading, and I’m proud to lead an organization that continually strives to provide better health and better care at a better cost for the great people of our community.

Mandatory Education Must be Complete by Sept. 30

The mandatory education bundle for the first quarter of fiscal year 2018 is now due. If you have not completed your assignments yet, you have until Sept. 30 to do so. Simply go to the LVH–Hazleton intranet and click the “Annual Mandatory Education” link.

This quarter’s education bundle includes:
► Basic infection control and prevention
► Nonclinical falls and general safety
► Emergency preparedness

For assistance, contact your manager or the education department at extension 4326 or 4906.

Discounts, Sales and Perks

SCENTSY WICKLESS CANDLE SALE

A Scentsy wickless candle sale will be held Tuesday, Sept. 19, from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. outside the hospital cafeteria. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Lehigh Valley Hospital–Hazleton Auxiliary. Cash and credit cards are accepted. Stop by and support the Auxiliary.

MONSTER JAM TRIPLE THREAT PRESALE TICKETS

The always popular Monster Jam Triple Threat show is coming to the Mohegan Sun Arena at Casey Plaza Feb. 9–11, 2017. Day and evening performances are available. The ticket presale is now live and ends Monday, Sept. 18, at 11:59 p.m. Tickets range from $30–$65. Tickets go on sale Sept. 19 to the general public. To purchase tickets, click on the link ticketmaster.com and use code MSAPRE.
I Pink I Can, Live and Simulcast This Year

Each year, colleagues from cancer services and related service lines present an evening of talks for I Pink I Can, a program that focuses on women and cancer. I Pink I Can has always been a Lehigh Valley-only event – until this year.

On Oct. 2, I Pink I Can will be held “live” at LVH–Cedar Crest as usual (in Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley ECC rooms 6, 7 and 8). This year, however, the program will be shared at three additional LVHN locations via simulcast:
- LVH–Hazleton, third floor ETC
- LVH–Muhlenberg ECC room D
- LVH–Schuylkill Wall Auditorium

Mark your calendars and reserve your spot. I Pink I Can is a great social and learning event. Register online, and remember to select the location where you would like to attend. Everyone attending I Pink I Can, including those at a simulcast location, must register to ensure a seat is reserved.

In addition to our distinguished panel of speakers, an interactive resource fair will be held before and after the program at all locations featuring experts and information that will enrich the entire program.

Encourage your friends and patients to attend I Pink I Can. If you have questions, please call 888-402-LVHN or go to LVHN.org/IPinkICan.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

This year’s I Pink I Can speakers cover a range of topics, including osteoporosis, genetic testing and more.

Deborah Sundlof, DO, cardiologist, LVPG Cardiology
Topic: Shared risk factors between oncology and cardiology

Erin Levine, clinical dietitian, Sodexo
Topic: The importance of good nutrition during and after cancer treatment

Samantha Fulton, genetic counselor, LVHN Gregory and Lorraine Harper Cancer Risk and Genetic Assessment Program
Topic: The importance of genetic testing and the implications for the patient and family members

Sandra Kowalski, CRNP, LVPG Rheumatology
Topic: Treatment and diagnosis of osteoporosis and tips for keeping bones healthy