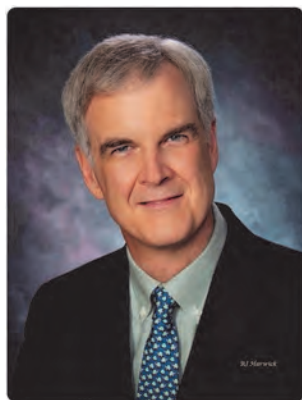


Progress Notes

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

This year, give the Gift of Life



The holidays are coming, and many are getting into the gift giving mood. This year, want to give something really meaningful? Sign up to become an organ donor!

The need for organ donors is real. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services website (<http://organdonor.gov/index.html>), 116,419 people are waiting for an organ — that number would fill more than a large football stadium. Each day, 79 patients will get an organ, but 18 will die waiting for one. Now the good news — one organ donor can save up to eight lives, and signing up to become a donor is relatively easy.

Lehigh Valley Health Network participates in the Gift of Life Donor Program, which works in eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware “to coordinate life-saving and life-enhancing transplants for those waiting, while supporting the generous donors and their families who have chosen to give others a second chance through organ donation.” (<http://www.donors1.org>)

“If people realized the number of people impacted by a single donation, the rate of organ donation would skyrocket,” says Ron Swinfard, MD, President and CEO of Lehigh Valley Health Network. Indeed, when the Gift of Life transplant team obtains a donation from an LVHN patient, the personal note of thanks that follows gives a summary of the many lives touched by a single donor. “The precious gifts of her heart and liver were given to a woman in her thirties, (who was) extremely fatigued, jaundiced and suffered from confusion making employment impossible and everyday activities difficult to perform. The recipient of her right kidney is a man in his forties. The recipient of his left kidney is a woman in her sixties. With the kidney transplant, dialysis is no longer necessary. The recipient of her right lung is a man in his fifties (who previously) required continuous oxygen. Her left lung and pancreas were recovered and sent to medical research, (permitting) continued advances in

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the treatment of disease. Her donated bone marrow may allow physicians to treat between 50 and 100 patients, many of whom face the functional loss of a limb due to cancer, trauma or other diseases.” I must admit that I never realized how helpful our bodies could be — especially all those paired organs.

Organ donation is a gift that keeps giving. With modern anti-rejection medications, 55-75% of major organ recipients (lung, kidney, heart, liver) are still living after five years — and quality of life is generally pretty good.

Signing up to be an organ donor is easy. In many states, including Pennsylvania, you can do so when you renew your driver’s license. At www.organdonor.gov, you can register as an organ donor in most states. It doesn’t cost anything to register — just your generosity and your willingness to part with your organs when you are finished with them. Most people can consider themselves potential organ and tissue donors. There are a few absolute exclusions (such as HIV infection, active cancer, systemic infection) and no strict upper or lower age limits.

Why bring a subject like this up at the holidays? Well — for a few reasons. The end of the year is a great time to talk to those close to you about your intentions to become a donor. Many people also use this time to do their “end of year” planning with donations, updating of wills, advance directives, etc. Finally, I’ll bring in a personal story. My brother-in-law had polycystic kidney disease and was faced with dialysis by the time he reached his mid-forties. Thanks to the generosity of an organ donor (in this case, his wife), he got an additional 12 years of high quality living — years cherished by all of us who got the chance to “spend the holidays” together with him. Whatever holidays you celebrate this time of year, may you be able to appreciate the gifts of Life, Love and Light — and be filled with Hope for Peace in the year to come.

Bob Motley MD

Robert J. Motley, MD
Medical Staff President



*Best Wishes for a Safe,
Happy and Healthy
Holiday Season!*

THE RETAIL PHARMACY VIEW

e-Prescribing

“Community pharmacists have a vested interest in making e-Prescribing work because it potentially provides more accurate and faster electronic transmittal to the pharmacists of computerized prescription information than written prescriptions.” - Bruce Roberts, RPh, CEO, National Community Pharmacists Association

e-Prescribing has been lauded recently due to the increased likelihood that patients will get their prescriptions filled and in turn avoid more costly medical procedures. There is also less of a chance for errors when compared to written prescriptions. Currently, 23 percent of physician office practices in the United States are now e-Prescribing.

There is still more work to be done. Current communications systems allow prescribers to send prescriptions to pharmacies, but do not allow pharmacists to communicate back. Also at this time, prescriptions for controlled substances – Class III-V (i.e., Alprazolam, Hydrocodone, cough syrups w/Codeine) cannot be sent via the e-Prescribing network. In May of 2010, the FDA ruled that paperless prescribing of controlled substances be allowed, but it has not yet been implemented. Please make your staff aware that when they are transmitting e-Prescriptions, any prescriptions for controlled substances will not be accepted and these must be faxed or called in. As always, narcotic prescriptions must be written unless the patient is on Hospice or in a long-term care facility. In these cases, a fax will be accepted.

If you have any questions regarding this article, contact Jay Needle, RPh, Manager, Health Spectrum Pharmacy – Muhlenberg, via email at jay.needle@lvhn.org or by phone at 484-884-7004.



COMING SOON: REVISED INSULIN CORRECTION SCALES TO REDUCE RISK OF HYPOGLYCEMIA

The LVHN Diabetes Management Quality Improvement Team has approved several changes to the Insulin Corrections Scales. The insulin correction scales, based on individual Insulin Sensitivity Factors (ISF), are being revised to correct blood glucose to a higher target blood glucose. Also, the new ISF order sets will be more efficient and have a built in safeguard regarding evening insulin doses.

In the past, ISF coverage for meals and bedtime had to be ordered either as separate orders or using one order with the same correction scale for ACHS dosing. Using the same ISF scale for both mealtime correction and bedtime correction can increase the risk of nocturnal hypoglycemia. If bedtime ISF coverage is desired, it is recommended to use a lower dose (higher sensitivity) than what is used at mealtime.

In the new order set, when the ordering provider orders the desired ISF meal correction and desires HS correction, the system will automatically assign the bedtime ISF coverage to provide less insulin. See example screen shots:

Enter Order Set

Ordered By: PAPER CHART, U Order Mode: U

Signed By: PAPER CHART, U

Select	Order Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 10MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 20MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 30MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 40MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 50MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 60MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 70MG/DL (MEAL+BED)
<input type="checkbox"/>	ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 80MG/DL (MEAL+BED)

Enter Order Set

ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 30MG/DL (HEAL+BED)

Ordered By: PAPER CHART, U Order Mode: U

Signed By: PAPER CHART, U

Select	Order Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	30 MG/DL-INSULIN DOSE FOR OBES/INFECTED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	80 MG/DL-INSULIN DOSE-OBES/INFECTED-HS

Note: For mealtime ISF of 70mg/dl or 80 mg/dl, an order for no HS coverage desired will be placed. This again is to reduce the risk of nocturnal hypoglycemia. These insulin sensitive patients often have renal insufficiency with a higher propensity for nocturnal hypoglycemia, thus it is best to avoid routine HS correction to prevent nocturnal hypoglycemia.

Enter Order Set

ISF INSULIN CORRECTION 80MG/DL (HEAL+BED)

Ordered By: PAPER CHART, U Order Mode: U

Signed By: PAPER CHART, U

Select	Order Description
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	80 MG/DL-VERY SENSITIVE TO INSULIN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NURSH-No HS Coverage Desired

Remember that ISF correction does not replace the need for a carb ratio for nutritional insulin coverage.

If you have any questions, contact Joyce Najarian, MSN, RN, CDE, via pager 610-402-5100 1233 or Robert A. McCauley, MD, Division of Endocrinology, via pager 610-402-5100 6319.

ALLIED HEALTH STAFF BIENNIAL REAPPOINTMENT

In compliance with the regulations of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the Medical Staff and Hospital Bylaws, and the standards of The Joint Commission, each member of the hospital's **Allied Health Professional staff** must be reappointed a minimum of once every two years.

On **January 1, 2013**, this year's biennial reappointment process will be put into motion when reappointment applications **will be available on the web for approximately 700 members of the Allied Health Professional staff**.

Directions for completing the reappointment application process will be provided with the application. The practitioner should review the directions to make sure all the information is provided and arrangements for submission of all the required documents have been made.

For the convenience of the practitioners, the application will be pre-populated with information previously provided to Medical Staff Services. It is of paramount importance that **ALL** the information be reviewed, changes made where necessary, and missing data completed.

Again this year, it is a requirement that all members of the Allied Health Professional staff receive annual Tuberculosis skin testing (PPD Mantoux). For those who have a history of a positive test, they must annually provide the date of screening by their private physician for signs and symptoms of tuberculosis. Practitioners will self-report compliance through directed questions on the reappointment application. The following information will be requested: 1) the date of the test, 2) the results, 3) if corrective action was necessary, when the action took place, and 4) if a positive history, the date of screening by their private physician for signs and symptoms of tuberculosis. If the practitioner is unable to obtain PPD testing in the private practice setting, arrangements may be made through the hospital's Employee Health Office during walk-in hours. For a list of hours, contact Employee Health at 610-402-8869.



The deadline to return reappointment applications is **January 30, 2013**. Your prompt attention in facilitating the return of the application is both requested and appreciated.

PLEASE NOTE: This on-line process will require the use of the LVHN assigned user ID. If you are not a regular user of the LVHN computer system, you are urged to log in to a Network computer prior to December 15, 2012, to assure that any log-in issues can be corrected prior to January 1. If you have any questions or problems related to the log-in process, please call Trent Smith (610-402-1291) or Rita Mest (610-402-8968) in Medical Staff Services.

If you have any other questions regarding the Allied Health Professional staff reappointment process, please contact the Medical Staff Services Office at 610-402-8900.

CMIO UPDATE

How Many Clicks Does it Take?

Remember that the items in the drop down menus only require a single click to select. One click will move the item into the Unprocessed Orders box. An inadvertent slow double-click can result in putting multiple versions of the order into the unprocessed order box and potentially ordering the item more than once.

DCI – No Action Button

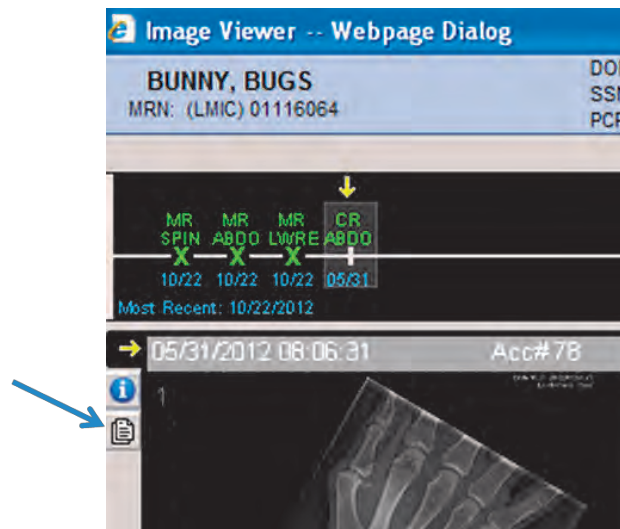
When working with DCI, it is often the case that the patient is going home on medications that you did not prescribe – the medications may have been started by the PCP (prior to admission) or by a specialist involved in the patient's care. The patient may also need a new prescription for those medications.

As you manage the medications in DCI, one of the options is to assign "No Action" to the medication. This action results in the medication NOT appearing on the home medications list for the patient and may lead to confusion for the patient and possible medication errors.

A more appropriate alternative is to continue the medication at home at the current dose/schedule. If the patient requires a new prescription, one option is to prescribe a limited amount (i.e., one week) of meds, and refer the patient back to the PCP or whoever started that medication. This will ensure continuity of the medications with the PCP.

What does that "Show Report" icon in PACS signify? Not much

Due to a change in the system, the "Show Report" icon on the left side of the PACS screen no longer indicates if there is a report available in the system. Once finalized, the report will be viewable in Centricity Enterprise in the Transcription area under the DocDisplay tab. We apologize for any inconvenience or confusion.



If you have any questions regarding these topics, please contact Don Levick, MD, MBA, Chief Medical Information Officer, at 610-402-2480 or pager 610-402-5100 7481.

PCE PRESCRIPTION: SERVING PATIENTS WITH HEARING LOSS

The goal of Lehigh Valley Health Network's Patient-Centered Experience (PCE) initiative is to give patients and their loved ones the best possible health care experience. Through PCE, the health network is enhancing the way it serves patients with hearing loss.

PCE Outcomes: Signage in registration areas asks patients to self-identify if they have hearing issues; stickers placed on registration papers identify patients with hearing impairment; pagers are used in all discharge waiting rooms for patients who are hearing impaired; and white boards are used in post-surgical recovery to help patients (who are not wearing their hearing aids) communicate.

Why it's important to you: "People with hearing loss face unique communication challenges that can affect both the quality and perception of their health care," says Bruce A. Ellsweig, MD, Vice Chair of Family Medicine Community Practices. "By identifying and addressing these issues, we can reduce errors, improve outcomes and enhance patient and staff satisfaction."

Next step: To learn more about serving patients with hearing loss – including those in need of sign-language interpretation – call the health network's Interpreter Services department at 610-969-4002.

For more information about PCE, contact James Geiger, Senior Vice President, Operations, at 610-969-4290; Anne Panik, Senior Vice President, Patient Care Services, at 610-402-4267, or James Prowant, Associate Executive Director, Primary Care Operations, at 484-884-8531.

PHYSICIAN DOCUMENTATION

ICD-10 Will Change Everything – Diabetes in ICD-10

As you know, all U.S. healthcare organizations must begin submitting claims using the new ICD-10 code sets on October 1, 2014, or claims will be rejected. Since ICD-10 includes changes to both diagnosis as well as procedure codes, *the changes will affect nearly every aspect of the healthcare system*: hospitals, physician offices, health plans and patients. Accordingly, numerous changes in documentation, reimbursement, insurance plans/coverage, and quality measures will be coming.

The purpose of this, and subsequent articles, is to begin to prepare you for the top ICD-10 documentation issues we will encounter beginning October 1, 2014. Each of these articles will feature one or two of the most common diagnosis or procedure topics you will need to know. Please save these articles for reference.

Diabetes Documentation – ICD-10-CM

ICD-9 has 59 codes for diabetes, while ICD-10 will have more than 200 combination codes, to include both the *classification* of the diabetes and the *manifestation*. In ICD-10, diabetes will no longer be classified as *controlled/uncontrolled*. There will be five main diabetes mellitus categories in ICD-10-CM, from which the 200+ codes are generated:

- E08 Diabetes mellitus due to an underlying condition (autoimmune disease, carcinoid, Cushing's, hyperthyroidism, chronic pancreatitis, etc.)
- E09 Drug/chemical-induced diabetes mellitus (steroids, estrogen, chemo, diuretics, beta blockers, etc.)
- E10 Type 1 diabetes mellitus
- E11 Type 2 diabetes mellitus
- E13 Other specified diabetes mellitus (post-pancreatectomy or post-procedural)

ICD-10 Diabetes Documentation Required:

Document whether Type 1, Type 2, due to underlying condition, or drug/chemical-induced

- 2) Document all manifestations and complications of diabetes:** Neuropathy, Retinopathy (proliferative or non-proliferative and with or without macular edema), Nephropathy and stage of CKD, Dermopathy (ulcer), Vasculopathy (with or without gangrene), Arthropathy (neuropathic or other), Periodontopathy, Coma, Osteomyelitis, etc.)

- 3) Document if on long-term insulin**

Examples of the diabetes codes in ICD-10 assigned from your documentation:

- E08.22** - Diabetes mellitus due to Cushing's syndrome with diabetic chronic kidney disease
E09.52 - Steroid-induced diabetes mellitus with diabetic peripheral angiopathy with gangrene
E10.11 - Type 1 diabetes mellitus with keto-acidosis with coma
E10.321 - Type 1 diabetes mellitus with mild non-proliferative diabetic retinopathy with macular edema
E11.41 - Type 2 diabetes mellitus with diabetic mononeuropathy & Z79.4=Long term use of insulin

If you have any questions, please contact John Pettine, MD, FACP, CCDS, Director, Clinical Documentation Improvement, at john.pettine@lvhn.org.

CONGRATULATIONS



Robert F. Malacoff, MD, Division of Cardiology, passed the International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners (IBHRE) 2012 Certification Examination for Competency in Cardiac Rhythm Device Therapy for the Physician and is now credentialed as a

Certified Cardiac Device Specialist (CCDS). This certification is for a 10-year period.

The IBHRE competency certification serves as a benchmark for professional excellence and promotes enhancement of the knowledge and skills essential to the delivery of optimal patient care. This exam and certification addresses the knowledge requirements that are critical for physicians tasked with providing specific technology-based interventions and therapies to patients undergoing invasive and non-invasive diagnostic, therapeutic and surgical procedures in cardiac pacing, defibrillation and electrophysiology.

Dr. Malacoff has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 1989. He is in practice with Lehigh Valley Heart Specialists.



Jeffrey R. McConnell, MD, Division of Orthopedic Surgery/Spine Surgery, Section of Ortho Trauma, was named to Becker's Spine Review lists – 20 Naval Spine Surgeon Leaders and 20 Spine Surgeons Leading Charitable Care.

Named to the "20 Naval Spine Surgeon Leaders" list, Dr. McConnell was formerly the co-director of the division of spine surgery at Naval Regional Medical Center in Portsmouth. He also co-founded Operation Straight Spine, a charitable mission to provide spinal disease and deformity treatment for poor and under-served people in India, earning him a spot on the "20 Spine Surgeons Leading Charitable Care" list. In the United States, Dr. McConnell also established the Spine Education and Research Foundation to help fund the project. Operation Straight Spine was the first-ever charitable project of its kind in India and consisted of outpatient clinics, major spine surgery interventions, ward rounds and teaching seminars for local support staff and physicians.

Dr. McConnell has been a member of the Medical Staff since April, 2003. He is in practice with OAA Orthopaedic Specialists.

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Name: Kyle Ingram

Hometown: Stuart, Florida

Undergraduate College: The University of Florida

Major: Exercise Physiology

Hobbies/Interests: Fishing, diving, boating, running, biking, swimming, competitive sports, and spending time outside.

Why did you choose SELECT?

I chose SELECT because much of what I heard about the program from administrators and those involved with the program matched my own experiences about what the future of medicine should be. I am very self-motivated and driven to be the best I can. Being the best I could went beyond being just a scientist or clinician. For me, medicine is an avenue to lead in the largest industry in world while having an influence on thousands of people, not just in a clinical setting, but also from a healthcare policy perspective. Physicians have a singular insight into healthcare by being a higher-level employee AND employer, while still being the primary provider of a service. This provides physicians a unique perspective that other healthcare workers cannot see. The SELECT program for me encompasses all of this and more and will hopefully push me to forefront of physician leadership and self-improvement.

Future Goals/Interests:

I hope to obtain a residency spot in orthopedics and I am trying to prepare for USMLE Step 1. I take one step at a time and right now everything else seems so far beyond next spring.

For more information, contact Michael J. La Rock, MD, Division of General Internal Medicine and Associate Clinical Professor, Morsani College of Medicine, USF Health, at michael.j.larock@lvhn.org.

ETHICS CORNER

Surrogate Decision Makers and their Respective Authority

by Mary Ann La Rock, Esq., In-House Counsel

When patients lack the capacity to make decisions related to their care, it becomes necessary to look to the patient's surrogate decision maker for authority to make those decisions. Surrogate decision makers can be either a health care representative, health care agent or guardian of the person. Each class of decision maker is defined in the law with specified degrees of authority subject to who granted the authority.

An individual is named as a health care agent through a Health Care Power of Attorney because a patient is expressly granting the right to another person to act on his or her behalf. A health care agent has authority to make any health care decisions that the patient could have made and should act in accordance with instructions given by the patient. If the patient has not named a health care agent or have a court appointed guardian, Pennsylvania's Advanced Directive Law specifies family members, with preference based on kinship, who can make decisions for the patient and are referred to as a health care representative. The health care representative is able to make the same decisions as a health care agent with the exception that a health care representative may not decline health care necessary to preserve life unless the patient is in an end-stage medical condition or permanently unconscious.

Alternatively, a patient may have a court appointed guardian who is subject to the court's control. The Pennsylvania guardianship law defines the powers and duties of the guardian, and a court may not give a guardian powers controlled by other statutes. For example, a guardian may not admit an incapacitated person to an inpatient psychiatric facility since voluntary admissions are governed by the Mental Health Procedures Act.

The person's guardian is to assert the rights and best interests of the incapacitated person. Related to the authority of a guardian to make end of life decisions, it is necessary to look to Pennsylvania case law. In the case of first impression, *In re D.L.H.*, the Pennsylvania Superior Court noted that before the trial court could give a guardian authority to decline life-preserving medical treatment for an adult who did not have end-stage medical illness and was not in a persistent vegetative state, the guardian must first petition the court for the authority to do so, and then prove by clear and convincing evidence that death is in the incapacitated person's best interest – not in the guardian's or society's best interests.



The Court noted that the best interest standard is not based on the surrogate's view of quality of life or the value that others find in the continuation of the patient's life, but rather, the value that the continuation of life has for the patient. The medical testimony must demonstrate a severe and permanent medical condition and current state of physical and psychological deterioration and pain. The Court distinguished this case from *In re Fiori* where the Supreme Court held that a close family member is permitted to remove life-sustaining treatment with the consent of two physicians and without court involvement when a patient is in a persistent vegetative state.

In summary, it is important to understand the nuances in the law when faced with difficult and complex medical decisions, and surrogate decision makers are involved. The limitations often found in the law are grounded in the state's interest to preserve life and protect the ethical integrity of the medical community. As a result, a number of policies have been developed at Lehigh Valley Health Network that offers guidance in these challenging circumstances. The policies, "Advance Directive for Health Care" and "Life Sustaining Treatment and Patient Centered Medical Decision Making," can be found in the Administrative Manual.

If you have any questions regarding this article, please contact Mary Ann La Rock, Esq., in Legal Services at 610-969-2770.

PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS



Emergency Medicine residents John V. Ashurst, DO, and Megan Urquhart, DO, along with **Matthew D. Cook, DO**, Chief, Section of Medical Toxicology, co-authored the article – “Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Secondary to Hookah Smoking” – which was published in the *Journal of the American Osteopathic Association*, Volume 112, Number 10, October, 2012.



Nyann Biery, MS, Manager, Program Evaluation, Department of Family Medicine, and **Julie A. Dostal, MD**, Department of Family Medicine Vice Chair, Education, were two of the co-authors of the article – “RAFT (Resident Assessment Facilitation Team): Supporting Resident Well-Being Through an Integrated Advising and Assessment Process” – which was published in the November-December 2012 issue of *Family Medicine* (Volume 44, Number 10).



Sigrid A. Blome-Eberwein, MD, Division of Burn/Trauma-Surgical Critical Care/Plastic Surgery; **Chad A. Roarabaugh, PA-C**, Surgical Specialists of the Lehigh Valley; Christina Gogal, BS, Network Office of Research and Innovation, and Sherrine Eid, MPH, Department of Community Health and Health Studies, co-authored the article – “Exploration of Nonsurgical Scar Modification Options: Can the Irregular Surface of Matured Mesh Graft Scars Be Smoothed with Microdermabrasion?” – which was published in the May/June 2012 issue of the *Journal of Burn Care & Research*.



Dennis B. Cornfield, MD, Chief, Section of Hematopathology & Clinical Laboratory Medicine, authored the article – “Erythroblastic sarcoma, an extremely rare variant of myeloid sarcoma” – which was published in the November, 2012 issue of *Human Pathology* (Volume 43, Number 11).



On October 12, **Barry H. Glassman, DMD**, Division of General Dentistry, made a presentation at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine on “Occlusion Myth Busting and Dental Sleep Medicine.” On October 22, he presented on the “Principles of Occlusion and Occluding in Parafuncional Control” in Dublin, Ireland, and repeated that course in London at the British Dental Association on October 25. In addition, he presented “Advanced Concepts for the Treatment of Chronic Pain and Joint Dysfunction” at the British Dental Association on October 26, followed by a “Hands-On Appliance Course” on October 27.



Donald L. Levick, MD, MBA, Chief Medical Information Officer, presented at the Delaware Valley/New Jersey HIMSS Annual Conference in Atlantic City, N.J., on October 4. His topic was “Stopping the Drip (Data Rich, Information Poor),” which discussed LVHN’s Data Governance and Analytics strategies and the results of these efforts.

In addition, Dr. Levick presented “Enhancing Practice Value through Meaningful Use and Health IT” at a HIMSS Educational Session held in King of Prussia, Pa., on November 13. The session featured current status of the Meaningful Use EMR Incentive Program and the impact of Meaningful Use on achieving the Institute of Healthcare Improvement’s Triple Aim.



Joseph N. Nader, MD, Division of Cardiology, published a book titled *Eponyms in Cardiology and Cardiovascular Surgery*. Eponyms are names given to persons, places or mythological figures. The book is a collection of the most important eponyms, each one preceded by his picture and a short biography. It is divided into four chapters. Chapter I begins with a historical review of cardiology greatest discoveries. Chapter II deals with eponyms derived from electrocardiography and electrophysiology, while Chapter III deals with eponyms derived from clinical observations. The final chapter deals with hemodynamics and cardiovascular surgery. In January, 2013, Dr. Nader will celebrate 50 years in the practice of cardiology.



Amit Nanavati, MD, Cardiology Fellow, along with **Sarang S. Mangalmurti, MD**, Division of Cardiology, presented “Novel Approach to Complex Ostial Superficial Femoral Artery Occlusion” at the 10th Annual Vascular Interventional Advances Conference held in Las Vegas, Nev., on October 10.



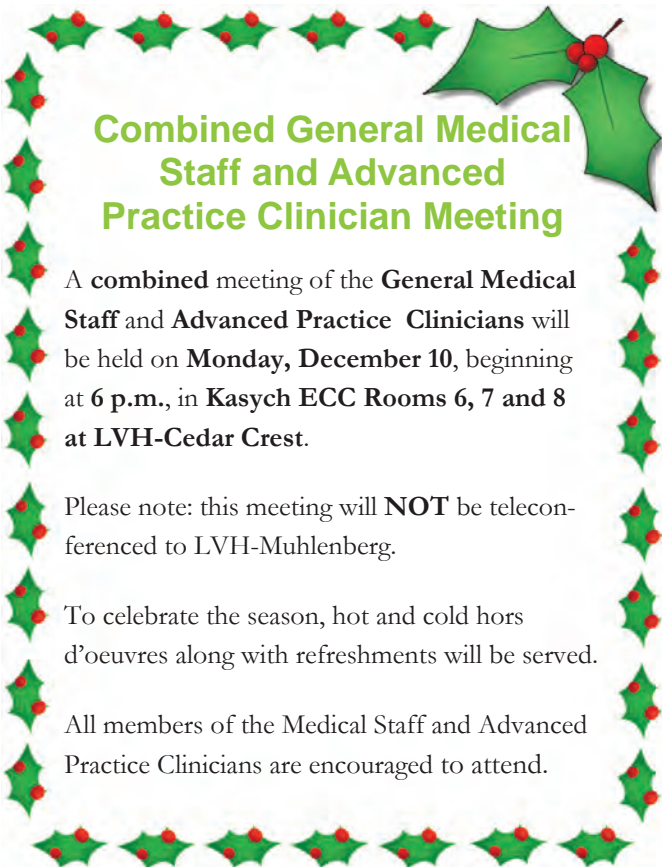
Daniel E. Ray, MD, Chief, Section of Palliative Medicine and Hospice, presented at the International CHEST conference held in Atlanta, Ga., from October 20-25. He facilitated a series of educational sessions titled “End-of-Life Care in the Movies: When Art Imitates Life.” Dr. Ray was also recognized for Distinguished Service on the Palliative and End-of-Life Care Network for his 2010-2012 leadership.

In addition, the home-based palliative care program, OACIS, was highlighted at the recent Center for Advancement of Palliative Care (CAPC) meeting held in Miami, Fla., from November 1-3. Dr. Ray and Donna Stevens co-facilitated a presentation on this program during the meeting.



Jay S. Talsania, MD, Division of Orthopedic Surgery/Hand Surgery, co-authored a case report – “Ulnar nerve ligation after removal of Norplant: a case report” – which was published on-line in the October 12, 2012 issue of *Hand*.

UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS



Combined General Medical Staff and Advanced Practice Clinician Meeting

A **combined** meeting of the **General Medical Staff and Advanced Practice Clinicians** will be held on **Monday, December 10**, beginning at **6 p.m.**, in **Kasych ECC Rooms 6, 7 and 8** at **LVH-Cedar Crest**.

Please note: this meeting will **NOT** be teleconferenced to LVH-Muhlenberg.

To celebrate the season, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres along with refreshments will be served.

All members of the Medical Staff and Advanced Practice Clinicians are encouraged to attend.

2013 General Medical Staff Meetings

Please mark your calendars – the dates for the **2013 General Medical Staff meetings** include:

- Monday, March 11
- Monday, June 10
- Monday, September 9
- Monday, December 9

Meetings will begin at 6 p.m., and will be held in Kasych ECC Rooms 7 and 8 at LVH-Cedar Crest, and videoconferenced to ECC Rooms C and D at LVH-Muhlenberg.

If you have any questions regarding General Medical Staff meetings, contact Linda Maurer in Medical Staff Services at 610-402-9129.

2013 GLVIPA General Membership Meetings

Mark your calendars – the dates for the **2013 Greater Lehigh Valley Independence Practice Association (GLVIPA)** membership meetings are listed below:

- Monday, January 28
- Tuesday, March 19
- Monday, June 24
- Tuesday, September 24

All meetings will begin at 6 p.m., and will be held in the hospital's Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to ECC Room B at LVH-Muhlenberg.

If you have any questions regarding the GLVIPA meetings, please contact Mary Ann Curcio, Coordinator, GLVIPA, at 610-969-0423.

Cardiology Grand Rounds

“Myocarditis: Update for 2013” will be presented by Leslie T. Cooper, Jr., MD, Director, Gonda Vascular Center, Mayo Clinic, on **Friday, December 7**, from Noon to 1 p.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to ECC Room D at LVH-Muhlenberg.

For more information, contact Caroline Maurer in the Heart and Vascular Center at 610-402-8215.

Family Medicine Grand Rounds

Family Medicine Grand Rounds will be held on **Tuesday, December 4**, from 7 to 8 a.m., in Kasych ECC Room 9 at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to ECC Room A at LVH-Muhlenberg.

“Chronic Kidney Disease: Evaluation, Treatment and Where to Refer” will be presented by Joseph C. Guzzo, MD, Division of Nephrology.

For more information, contact Sue Turi in the Department of Family Medicine at 610-969-4965 or via email at sue.l.turi@lvhn.org.

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Medical Grand Rounds

Medical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays from Noon to 1 p.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to ECC Room B at LVH-Muhlenberg and the VTC Room at LVH-17th Street. Topics for December will include:

- December 4 – “Update on Hepatitis C” – Joseph Yozviak, DO
- December 11 – “Optimizing Adult Vaccination Rates” – Marie Brown, MD, Rush University Medical Center, Chicago, Ill.

For more information, contact Kathy Gaspari in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-5200.

Neurology Conferences

The Division of Neurology conferences are held on Thursdays, from Noon to 1 p.m. Conferences are held in Lehigh Neurology’s Conference Room at 1250 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Fourth Floor, and videoconferenced to Lehigh Neurology’s Bathgate office and Kasych ECC Room 4. Topics to be presented in December will include:

- December 6 – topic to be presented by Glenn A. Mackin, MD
- December 13 – “The Diagnosis of Alzheimers Disease and Dementia – Then and Now” – John W. Margraf, MD, and Robert J. Rienzo, MD
- December 20 – Division Meeting

For more information, contact Angeline Regis, Coordinator, Neurosciences, at 610-402-9001.

OB-GYN Grand Rounds

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology Grand Rounds will be held on Fridays from 7 to 8 a.m., in Kasych ECC Room 7. The topics for December will include:

- December 7 – “Documentation/ACOG VRQC Standards” – Thomas A. Hutchinson, MD
- December 14 – “Therapeutic Hypothermia” – Lorraine A. Dickey, MD, MBA

For more information, contact Julie Gualano in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at 610-969-4515.

Pediatric Grand Rounds

The Department of Pediatrics will hold Grand Rounds on Tuesdays at 8 a.m., in Kasych ECC Room 6 at LVH-Cedar Crest. The topics for December will include:

- December 4 – NICU topic – Samir F. Henien, MD
- December 11 – “TTP” – Philip M. Monteleone, MD
- December 18 – “Presentation Skills” – Elaine A. Donoghue, MD, and Amy Smith, Medical Educator

For more information, contact Cari Coelho in the Department of Pediatrics at 610-969-2540.

Spine Conference

Conferences relating to interesting spine cases are held on the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 7 a.m. Clinicians are invited to bring interesting cases to the meeting.

The next Spine Conference will be held on **Wednesday, December 5**, in Kasych ECC Room 9 at LVH-Cedar Crest.

For more information, contact James C. Weis, MD, Co-Chief, Division of Spine Surgery, or Lori Zimmerman, Nursing Manager, at 610-973-6271.

Surgical Grand Rounds

Surgical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays at 7 a.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg. Topics for December will include:

- December 4 – “Rules of Surgery That You’ve Already Broken” – Joseph J. Stirparo, MD
- December 11 – “NASH (Non-alcoholic Steatohepatitis)” – Christine Du, MD
- December 18 – “Repair of Esophageal Atresia – Past, Present and Future” – William D. Hardin, Jr., MD

For more information, contact Cathy Glenn in the Department of Surgery at 610-402-7839.

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Emergency Medicine Institute – Life Support Classes

Upcoming life support classes sponsored by the Emergency Medicine Institute (EMI) are listed below:

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)

ACLS renewal classes will be held from 8 a.m. to Noon, at the Emergency Medicine Institute located at 2166 S. 12th Street, Allentown, on the following dates:

- January 2, 16, 29
- February 1, 14, 22, 25

In addition, a two-day provider course will be held on January 8 and 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute.

Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)

PALS renewal classes will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute on the following dates:

- January 10, 11
- February 15, 18

In addition, two-day provider courses will be held January 3 and 4, and February 5 and 6, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute.

Registration information and a list of additional classes are available on the EMI website. To access the EMI website from the LVHN Intranet homepage, select “Departments” – “Non-Clinical” – “EMI.”

For more information regarding these classes, contact Christine Ash at the Emergency Medicine Institute at 610-969-0299.



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This section contains an update of new appointments, address changes, status changes, resignations, etc. Please remember to update your directory with this information.

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