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Special Announcement



**This message is from Brian A. Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP,
president and chief executive officer**

I am pleased to announce that Lehigh Valley Health Network and Pocono Health System have signed a letter of intent to merge. The merger is subject to due diligence, the negotiation of definitive transaction documents and appropriate regulatory approvals.

Our two organizations have a strong history of productive partnerships that have benefitted the Pocono community, particularly in trauma and radiation oncology services. This is

why we are excited about the prospect of creating an even stronger bond in our relationship to meet the ongoing challenges of health care reform.



We will make this announcement to the community at 2 p.m. today through the news release below.

***Pocono Health System and Lehigh Valley Health Network
Sign Letter of Intent to Merge***

East Stroudsburg, PA (May 28, 2015) – Pocono Health System (PHS) and Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) announced today they have signed a letter of intent to merge, subject to due diligence, the negotiation of definitive transaction documents, and appropriate regulatory approvals. The Boards of Directors of both organizations, in separate meetings, authorized the letter of intent.

“We believe that the residents of the Poconos region will greatly benefit from the merger of these two longstanding, high-quality healthcare systems,” said Jeff Snyder, President and CEO of PHS. The combination of our two organizations will mean that Poconos residents will have greater access to the highest-quality clinical care in the region, the most qualified and capable physician network supported by the most sophisticated technology and advanced health records systems, all delivered locally through PMC, while being supported by the resources and scale of Lehigh Valley Health Network.”

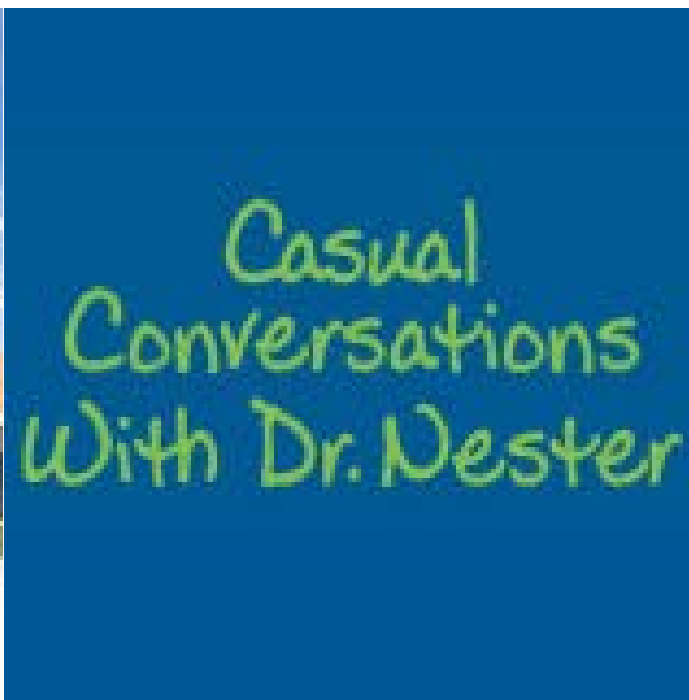
Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP, LVHN’s President and CEO, said the two organizations have a long history of productive partnerships in certain clinical areas, such as the affiliation to provide trauma and radiation oncology services to the region. He said together as a single, integrated system, they will accelerate steps to develop and grow additional, affordable healthcare services to best serve the community.

“We look forward to developing with PMC a hospital of the future that incorporates the highest level of clinical competence to provide the highest quality care close to home.” Nester said in addition, LVHN looks forward to the opportunity to provide more integrated care to the Pocono region through population health management, which includes sharing a common electronic medical records system.

Pending completion of due diligence and regulatory approvals, the parties expect the proposed merger to take effect in the first half of 2016.

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It gives me great pride to inform you about a new project that will bring obstetrics, newborn and inpatient rehabilitation services to Lehigh Valley Hospital–Muhlenberg. Later this month we will begin construction on a new four-story, 161,000-square-foot pavilion on the south side of the campus that will house these important services. Please learn more in the press release below. We will be sharing this release with the media at a 1 p.m. event scheduled for the south side of



the Lehigh Valley Hospital–Muhlenberg campus.



Births Coming to New Four-Story Pavilion at Lehigh Valley Hospital–Muhlenberg

*\$93.6 million project would accommodate 2,000 births
and include an inpatient rehabilitation center*

Lehigh Valley, Pa. (May 27, 2015) – In response to high demand for health care throughout the region and requests from community members to provide obstetrics and newborn services in the Bethlehem area, Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) is planning construction of a new four-story pavilion on the Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)–Muhlenberg campus in Hanover Township.

The new pavilion will include obstetrics and newborn services that will accommodate about 2,000 deliveries annually. These services will be the first in LVH–Muhlenberg’s 54-year history. The new pavilion also will include a Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation and shell space to accommodate future growth.

The cost of the project is \$93.6 million. Groundbreaking is tentatively planned for September 2015, with the building expected to be open by July 1, 2017. The construction costs will be paid through a combination of capital funding from LVHN and philanthropic gifts from community members. The project is expected to create about 225 new construction jobs and about 185 new patient care jobs at LVH–Muhlenberg.

“The number of births rises each year at LVH–Cedar Crest, and we now accommodate more than 4,000 births annually at that location,” said LVHN president and chief executive officer Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP. In the last five years, the number of deliveries involving Northampton County mothers has increased by almost 25 percent. Currently, 16 percent of all births at LVH–Cedar Crest involve Northampton County mothers.

“By expanding high-quality obstetrics care to LVH–Muhlenberg, we are filling a need and giving people from Northampton County and the surrounding area an option to have their babies closer to home. We also are expanding our rehabilitation services in response to a need for inpatient-specific rehabilitation on that campus.”

The new pavilion will offer 161,000 square feet of space. Floors two and three will be reserved for obstetrics and newborn services, which will include:

- *A mother-baby unit with 20 private rooms*
- *A nursery with 16 bassinets*
- *A Level II NICU with 10 private rooms*
- *Eight state-of-the-art labor, delivery and recovery rooms*
- *Two operating rooms*
- *Five obstetrics triage beds*
- *A three-bay post-anesthesia care unit area*
- *A four-bed antepartum unit*

Floor one will be home to the Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation–Muhlenberg. It will include 28 rehabilitation beds and is similar to the Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation–Cedar Crest currently under construction inside the Kasych Family Pavilion at LVH–Cedar Crest in Salisbury Township.

The fourth floor of the new pavilion will be shelled and reserved for potential future growth. The project also will include increased parking and improvements on Schoenersville Road between Macada Road and the Route 22 east on ramp.

“This new pavilion will allow LVHN to create an ideal patient- and family-centered experience for moms-to-be and their families,” said Mary Bianchi, vice president of LVHN’s women’s and children’s service line. “This will add to the women’s health care services in maternal fetal medicine, cardiology, gynecologic oncology, urogynecology and Breast Health Services already available at LVH–Muhlenberg.”

The new pavilion will be built on the south side of the campus, and will be connected to the main hospital through the existing South Tower lobby and the former hospital cafeteria. The project calls for the removal of the current Banko Community Center, which is currently used for conference space, community events and for behavioral health programs. The conference space for community events will be incorporated into renovations to the LVH–Muhlenberg south lobby that are a part of this project. The behavioral health program will relocate to 2710 Schoenersville Road.

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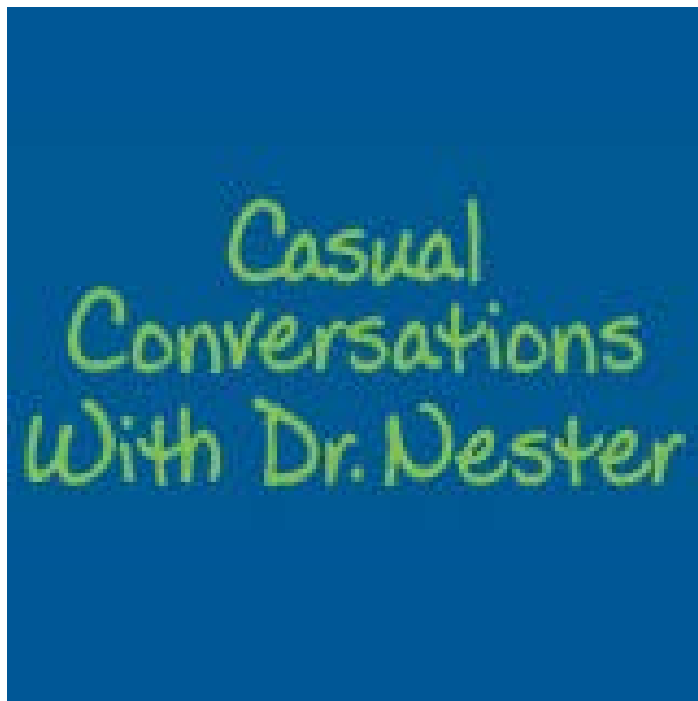
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BY [ALANE MERCER](#) · MAY 26, 2015

Happy anniversary to all colleagues celebrating a career milestone at LVHN in June.

45 Years

Barbara Hetrick, 5K

40 Years

Renae Stonehouse, Breast Health Services

35 Years

Reia Barber, ambulatory surgical unit

Debra Belles, clinic call center

Robbie Bortz, information services

Jane Dravuschak, Children's Clinic

Barbara Larsen, 7K

Gail Pitsko, health systems research and innovation

Helene Scheirer, ICO staging and recovery

Cynthia Schneck, base service unit

Mona Serfass, special procedure unit

Monica Stevko, progressive coronary care unit

Colleen Sutton, Regional Heart Center–Medical

30 Years

Sabrina Amato, pharmacy

Dianne Chomko, Lehigh Valley Physicians Practice

Ramon Deeb, Lehigh Valley Anesthesia Services

Denise Estephan, transitional skilled unit

Deborah Fellencer, Hemodialysis Center

Sallie Fenstermaker, 4KS

Tracey Gallagher, TNICU

Roberta Hower, endocrine testing station

Rosemary King, respiratory care services

Linda Miklich, release of information

Terese Payung, home care

Mary Rheiner, Cancer Center multi-purpose area

Tracy Riccio, 402-CARE

Maureen Smith, neuroscience ICU

Kelly Stivala, pre-admission testing

Lorraine Valeriano, advanced ICU

Julia Westfall, 7C

25 Years

Mary Bechtold, nurse staffing office

Terry Berger, clinical social work

Gregory Binder, Lehigh Valley Anesthesia Services

Rochelle Brunner, case management

Deborah Corcoran, case management

Robin Dewalt-Brown, pre-op staging

Janice Fetchko, pharmacy

Susan Gross, 7K

Christine Heffernan, Hemophilia Center

Joyce Hollabaugh, Fairgrounds Surgical Center

Denise Kelly, operating room

Cynthia Kotch, psychiatry

Jennifer Navarro, LVPG Pediatric Hematology Oncology–Muhlenberg

Kimberly Pambianchi, Wound Healing Center

Wendy Prutsman, LVPG Maternal Fetal Medicine–3900 Hamilton Blvd.

Sharon Pustilnik, 4K

Jean Reinhart, mammography

Deana Sewald, neonatal ICU

Tracey Silfies, 7K

Cindy Talago, PACU

Kim Vaupel, 7K

Wayne Young, diagnostic radiology

20 Years

Amy Burrows, development

Kathleen Carriglito, professional services

Tracy DeLong, LVPG Gynecologic Oncology–1240 Cedar Crest

Mary Hoffman, Lehigh Valley Anesthesia Services

Rachel Horvath, obstetrics

Roger Long, information services

Daniel Ohl, Lehigh Valley Anesthesia Services

Rovinder Sandhu, LVPG General and Trauma Surgery–1240 Cedar Crest

Vincent Tallarico, Heart and Vascular Center

Maureen Unser, interventional radiology

15 Years

Jonathan Burke, care management

Marilyn Cofre', Centro de Salud LatinoAmericano

Carol DeLeon, information services

Peter Huber, pharmacy

Anthony Jurgill, supply distribution services

Julie Kaszuba, clinical services

Keri Keiser, 6B

Robert Kohut, Lehigh Valley Anesthesia Services

Bethann Kretzman, infection control and prevention

Lisa Leonard, home care

Lynell Podorsky, obstetrics

Jill Rickard, Breast Health Services

Kristen Seigel, operating room

Scott Smith, financial services

Andrea Storm, 3A

Lydia Turtzo, diagnostic radiology

Beata Wirth, transitional open-heart unit

Lori Wittner, operating room

Lori Zeigler, operating room

Alfonsina Zolynski, cancer financial services

10 Years

Nicole Agostino, LVPG Hematology Oncology–Muhlenberg

Darla Alden, home care

Ellen Allen, obstetrics

Danielle Bernabucci, emergency department

Elizabeth Billie, Regional Heart Center–Medical

Joyce Bogusky, pastoral care

Kristin Bresnan, OACIS

Matthew Burns, marketing and public affairs

Donald Butz, neuroscience ICU

Michael Chomko, ambulatory surgical unit/operating room

Robin Christman, home care

Brian Costello, LVPG Internal Medicine – 3080 Hamilton Blvd.

Yessenia Cuevas, Center for Women’s Medicine

Amy Depuy, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology–1245 Cedar Crest

Elizabeth Dideon Hess, Burn Recovery Center

Jeanne Dietrick, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology

Kathleen Duckworth, Epic

Patricia Emerick, division of education

Julie Faulend, electrophysiology lab

Tiffany Feast, neuroscience unit

Courtney Fitch, LVPG Maternal Fetal Medicine–3900 Hamilton Blvd.

Susana Garcia, neuroscience ICU

Tamatha Garman, radiology

April Getz, 4T

Sandra Heffelfinger, Breast Health Services

Jessica Heinrich, security

Glenda Hernandez, open-heart unit

Kimberly Hill, nursing float pool

Susan Hitchings, ICU

Meghan Hoffman, perinatal unit

Corrine Hyman, Children's ER

Bahar Jahanbin, LVPG Internal Medicine–3080 Hamilton Blvd.

Anna Keane, LVPG Family Medicine–1251 Cedar Crest

Shae Kelly, MedEvac ground

Kelly Lawall, emergency department

Tuasha Lehr, PGME internal medicine

Tracey Lightner, ICU

Thomas Lonergan, AIDS Activities Office

Holly Mangold, transitional skilled unit

Rick Martuscelli, marketing and public affairs

Melissa Metzgar, respiratory care services

Jacqueline Millsap, Hemodialysis Center

Susan Mitchell, float pool

Kellie Mitchell, PACU

Candace Neiman, LVPG Surgical Oncology–1240 Cedar Crest

Patrick O'Neil, LVPG Internal Medicine–Muhlenberg

Craig Onori, operations

Elizabeth Oswald, release of information

Jarret Patton, Children's Clinic

Raymond Peters, cardiac ICU

Kathy Picca, emergency department

Dawn Pingyar, LVPG Hematology Oncology–Muhlenberg

Brenda Raudenbush, information services

Kathy Reichard, operating room

Sotero Rodriguez, Centro de Salud LatinoAmericano

Andraya Rowan, 4KS

Tammy Sandt, 4T

Lori Schiffert, pharmacy

Tara Sell, wound ostomy continence

Carol Sharadin, LVPG reimbursement

Georgeanne Smith, NORI

Robert Tomsho, emergency department

Elaine Walsh, speech and hearing

Deborah Wendling, medical records

Kathleen Wesser, pharmacy

5 Years

Emily Ackerman, speech and hearing

Aishah Adams, LVPG Hematology Oncology–Muhlenberg

Lindsay Altimare, specialty practice management

Gabrielle Alvira, Children's Clinic

Elizabeth Assande, audiology

Holly Bauer, neuroscience unit

Brian Bell, engineering

Katie Bifano, pharmacy

Samantha Bilsak, LVPG Internal Medicine–1230 Cedar Crest

David Blalock, respiratory care services

Krista Bowers, LVPG Family Medicine–Moorestown

Courtney Boyle, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology–Pond Road

Tiffany Britt, 6T

Julie Burns, transitional open-heart unit

Susan Carvin, respiratory care services

Joe Cassidy, emergency department

Joanne Castillo, LVPG Family Medicine and Pediatrics–Cetronia Road

Aura Cruz Jimenez, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology–17 Street

Bridget Dillman, LVPG Obstetrics and Gynecology–Valley Center Parkway

Christine Dotter, physical therapy/occupational therapy

Melinda Dresher, pediatric unit

Courtney Edwards, PGME surgery

Jennifer Erb, revenue cycle

Jessica Eygnor, palliative medicine fellowship

Charles Frankhouser, palliative medicine fellowship

Mary Furchner, clinical services

Sarel Garman, LVPG Family Medicine–Blandon

Amy Giesler, Regional Heart Center–Medical

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Lisa Gonzalez, LVPG Endocrinology–1243 Cedar Crest

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Iliana Rodriguez, transitional trauma unit

Yesenia Rosado, 7K

Christine Saraceni, hematology oncology fellowship

Shannon Silberman, nursing education

Deborah Speller, LVPG Urology–1250 Cedar Crest

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Summer Stracco, Lehigh Valley Family Health Center

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Melinda Thompson, nursing float pool

April Todd Gannon, pediatric unit

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Epic Wave 2 Training Starts Next Week

BY [JENN FISHER](#) · MAY 28, 2015

It's on your calendar...the first day of Epic training. Are you feeling excited? Scared? Calm? For thousands of Wave 2 end users and super users, it's the first day they will set foot inside LVHN—One City Center. It's also the first time they will begin learning about the tabs, dropdowns and other functions of the Epic electronic medical record system. In fact, this auspicious day is the first of many training days our inpatient colleagues will log as they prepare for Wave 2 Go-Live on August 1.

If you are among the first-timers heading to Epic training, bravo! We're excited for you to begin learning Epic, a system that is all about our patients. To help you prepare, we've got helpful info and insights to help make your training experience a positive one.

About Epic Parking

It is important to park in one of the designated parking decks (listed below) so your parking fee is covered.



Important: The garage at the corner of 7th and Linden (attached to the PPL Center) is **not** to be used by Epic learners.

Here are your Epic parking garages:

1. Allentown Transportation Center (ATC) Deck

Corner of Linden and N. 6th Streets – only use entrance on 6th Street, across from the Morning Call office building.

GPS: 110 N. 6th St., Allentown, 18101

2. Spiral Deck (limited spots available here)

Corner of Linden and N. 8th Streets – only use entrance and exit on Linden Street.

GPS: 820 Linden St., Allentown, 18101

Handicap-accessible parking

▪ 8th Street Garage

Must have a state-issued placard for accessible parking (either temporary or permanent.)

Only entrance is on right side of N. 8th St. between Hamilton and Linden Streets; look for second driveway after the building ends.

GPS: 21 N. 8th St., Allentown, 18101

You can enter One City Center from interior of the garage and take elevator to the 5th floor for LVHN Epic training.

Tips: Epic Parking

1. **Read the Biweekly Parking Flyer.** It has all of the above info and more. [Click here](#) or find it with tomorrow's Epic Flash.
2. **Review the list of Downtown Events.** This list is on the flipside of the Parking Flyer. Your training may take place when another downtown Allentown event is also happening. Build in extra time to reach a parking spot when an event is on the calendar.
3. **Have your LVHN identification badge handy.** Especially during downtown events, showing your badge to the attendant will help you gain access to the deck.

About Epic Security

Security will be very visible in the vicinity of the parking garages, the PPL Center and LVHN–One City Center.

- Allentown police cruisers will be stationed around each parking deck.
- Contracted security and LVHN security officers will be stationed at strategic locations.
- Officers will be on bike patrol.

At some points, up to 18 security officers and police officers will be in and around the parking garages and path of travel to the PPL Center/LVHN–One City Center complex. These officers will be in radio contact at all times and can be dispatched to a location, if needed.

You may also request an escort to your car from LVHN security. Remember, however, that you may need to wait for an escort if the guard is busy with another escort. Try to walk in groups after class to the garages.

There are two phone numbers to contact LVHN security. Save these numbers in your cell phone or write them down and place them in your wallet:

- Non-emergency: 610-402-8220. Use this number to request an escort.
- Emergency: 610-402-5555. This number will go directly to dispatch and is for emergency use only.

Tips: Epic Security

1. Add LVHN security numbers to your cell phone.
 - LVHN nonemergency/escort request: 610-402-8220
 - LVHN emergency: 610-402-5555
2. Walk with others and carpool, if possible.
3. Pay attention to your surroundings. Do not text or talk on the phone.
4. Avoid taking shortcuts.
5. Have your keys ready before you get to the car.
6. Avoid bringing valuables to class. Leave them in the trunk of your car.
7. Don't leave loose change or your GPS in sight.
8. Park in lit areas. Alert security if lights are out.
9. Remember where you park. Don't wander looking for your car.
10. Trust your instincts. If it doesn't feel right, turn around and get back to a safe place.

Epic Training Must-haves

Here are 7 must-haves for training:

1. **LVHN identification badge.** You'll need it for class sign in, Tap and Go enrollment, API clocking and sometimes for parking.
2. **Notebook(s).** You can take notes during training and refer to them during final tests.
3. **Pens or pencils.**
4. **Folder.** Use it to hold training exercises you will receive.
5. **Class schedule.** Find yours on TLC and print a copy to have with you.
6. **Parking flyer.** It lists all designated parking garages and their GPS addresses.
7. **Eyeglasses or reading glasses,** if needed.

Once you and your colleagues experience the logistics-side of training and get that routine down pat, then you can focus on the training itself, and begin to see how Epic will enhance the great work you already do for our patients.

Your Epic Calendars

Wave 2 Inpatient

Now: Wave 2 inpatient equipment delivery and set-up

Now–May 31: Wave 2 super user training

Now–June 26: Wave 2 Technical Dress Rehearsal (TDR)

June 1–July 26: Wave 2 end user training

July 14: Wave 2 Super User Refresher meeting. *(Two times available. Register on TLC.)*

July 20, 2015–Aug. 14, 2015: PTO freeze (restrictions) in effect for Wave 2 (inpatient) colleagues

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Three Colleagues Win \$100 Gift Cards in ‘Know Your Numbers’ Promotion

BY [SHEILA CABALLERO](#) · MAY 26, 2015

They got screened. They sent their numbers to employee health and took the first steps on their journey to better health. Then Shannon Ott (audit and compliance services), Dawn Stang (parent education) and Vivian Foulke (neonatal ICU) also won \$100 gift certificates to Dick’s Sporting Goods.

The logo for the 'Know Your Numbers' campaign. The words 'KNOW YOUR' are in blue, and 'NUMBERS' is in a larger, bold green font.

Ott, Stang and Foulke are our first three [May prize winners](#) in LVHN’s “Know Your Numbers” campaign. Before month’s end, two more colleagues will win \$100 Dick’s Sporting Goods gift certificates, and two colleagues will win Fitbits. Will you be among our [lucky winners](#)?

Time’s running out



“Know Your Numbers” is part of our better health goal. You have only until June 30 to submit your numbers and help us achieve a shared success plan (SSP) bonus at the end of the fiscal year. More than half of our colleagues have already

participated. We still need more to reach our 60 percent target.

As always, when you participate you'll be entered into a drawing to win one of our valuable grand prizes, including two \$500 gift cards and 10 \$100 gift cards.

There are lots of ways to participate. If you've already been screened, you can [self-report](#) your numbers to employee health. Read the [FAQs](#) to learn more.

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Sales Scheduled for Mack Boulevard and LVH-Cedar Crest

BY [TED WILLIAMS](#) · MAY 26, 2015

Over the years, the Auxiliary of Lehigh Valley Hospital has supported the hospital by operating gift shops and conducting a variety of fund-raising events and activities. Shop at these sales this month.

Gift Shop Sale at Mack

June 3 – LVHN–Mack Boulevard cafeteria, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sports Sale

June 16 – LVHN–Mack Boulevard cafeteria, 7 a.m.-3 p.m.

June 18 – LVH–Cedar Crest, Jaindl Pavilion lower level, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

June 19 – LVH–Cedar Crest, Jaindl Pavilion lower level, 7 a.m.-5 p.m.

The history of the Auxiliary of Lehigh Valley Hospital



The Auxiliary of Lehigh Valley Hospital has roots that date back more than a century. Thirteen women formed the Auxiliary of Allentown hospital to raise money for the city's first hospital. Then they bought a plot of land at 17th and Chew streets in Allentown, and in 1899, they opened The Allentown Hospital. Today, the Auxiliary of Lehigh Valley Hospital supports two hospitals and is the only one in the nation to support four endowed chairs.

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Over the years, The Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg Auxiliary has supported the hospital by operating the Camille gift shop and conducting a variety of fund-raising events and activities. Here are the sales sponsored by The Lehigh Valley Hospital–Muhlenberg Auxiliary in June:

June 5 – Pet Gifts

ECC rooms B, C and D

7 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 26 – Simple Treasures

ECC rooms B and C

7 a.m.-4 p.m.



The history of The Lehigh Valley Hospital–Muhlenberg Auxiliary

When a group of Lutheran clergy purchased a 102-acre alfalfa field and set out to build a new hospital for Bethlehem in the late 1950s, a group of women who became The Auxiliary of the Muhlenberg Hospital Center went to churches all over the Lehigh Valley to gather members and funds in support of the project. By the time the hospital was dedicated in 1961, it was one of the largest auxiliaries in the country.

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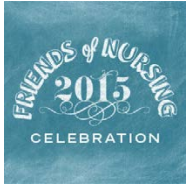
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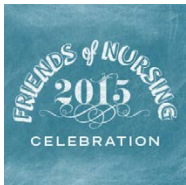
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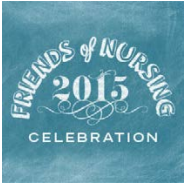
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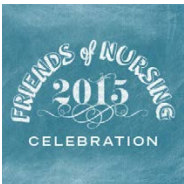
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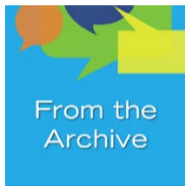
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Culture of Wellness Benefit of the Month: Join LVHN Fitness

BY [TED WILLIAMS](#) · MAY 28, 2015

At LVHN, health is more than just a part of our name. We're committed to helping colleagues and their dependents covered by Choice Plus get and stay healthy through our Culture of Wellness benefit. Choice Plus families have \$700 to spend on approved wellness classes each year. There's a Culture of Wellness program for everyone, like this one:

Group classes

Being a member of LVHN Fitness allows you to partake in a variety of classes. You must be a member to participate in these classes, which include:

Boot Camp

Pilates Express

Cardio Cross Training

Relaxing Yoga

Chisel

Rip 'n Ride

Core Synergy

S.T.A.T. (Strength, Train and Tone)

Cycling

Staying Strong

Energizing Yoga

Tabata

Every Body's Yoga

Very Gentle Yoga

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Functional Fusion

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Get Up And Go

Zumba

Kettlebells

Zumba Gold

Pilates

Zumba Toning

The complete fitness schedule is available at LVHN.org/fitness

Here are this month's Culture of Wellness programs for raising a family:

June 1, 3, 7, 15 and 28 – Maternity Tours

June 1, 8, 15 and 22 – Monday Morning Moms

June 2 – “Raising Boys” Parenting Workshop

June 4, 11, 18 and 25 – Thursday Morning Moms (LVH-17th Street)

June 6 and 20 – Preparing for Childbirth (one-day class)

June 7 – Baby Care

June 7 and 28 – My Baby and Me Sibling Tours

June 9 and 23 – Breast-feeding Baby

June 10 and 25 – Car Seat Check

June 11 – Preparing for Labor and Childbirth (three-week series)

June 11 and 25 – Thursday Evening Moms Postpartum Support

June 16 – CPR for Family and Friends

June 24 – Preparing for Baby (six-week series)

[Learn about all of our Culture of Wellness programs.](#)

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HIPAA Tip #5: Lock or Log Off Your Computer

BY [RICK MARTUSCELLI](#) · MAY 27, 2015

HIPAA, or the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, is a federal law that protects the confidentiality and security of health care information. As health care professionals, it's our responsibility to follow HIPAA guidelines to ensure our patients' medical information is protected. To help you, a new HIPAA Tip is posted on LVHN Daily each month.

Lock or log off the computer you're working on every time you leave the immediate vicinity. If you don't, someone else could use the computer to do things that violate HIPAA regulations (laws) or LVHN policies. Remember, when your password is used to log on, you are responsible for what happens on that computer whether you are present or not. That's why it's important to [protect your password](#). Read the [HIPAA – Confidentiality policy](#).

In addition, never allow a colleague to use your computer while you are logged on. "If someone pressures you to



do so, tell your supervisor,” says LVHN privacy officer Melissa Blihar. “If you give a colleague permission to utilize the computer you are currently working on, make sure you log off before allowing the colleague to use it.”

Read the [Information Systems User Account Controls policy](#).

For privacy issues, contact LVHN privacy officer Melissa Blihar at melissa.blihar@lvhn.org or 484-884-1410.

For compliance issues, contact LVHN director of compliance services Cory Flickinger at cory.flickinger@lvhn.org or 484-884-1965.

To file a report anonymously, call 1-877-895-2905 or visit LVHN.ethicspoint.com.

[Read previous HIPAA Tips.](#)

To be eligible to win a prize, [email Melissa Blihar](#) your answer to the following question. A winner will be selected randomly.

If you see someone accessing a computer using your user name and password, who should you call?

1. **Human resources**
2. **Office for Civil Rights**
3. **Your supervisor**
4. **No one**

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