

Medical Staff PROGRESS NOTES



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From the President

This month's column relates to Continuing Medical Education (CME). Please spend a few minutes to take the brief CME quiz below (answers are found at the end of my column).

1. To renew a Medical license, a Pennsylvania physician must accrue at least 20 Category 1 CME credit hours in a two-year cycle. True or False?
2. The required 12 credit hours in patient safety or risk management can be in either Category 1 or Category 2. True or False?
3. An MD or DO can earn Category 2 credit hours by reading peer review journals. True or False?

Unfortunately, you can't earn CME credits by taking this quiz. But it does illustrate a couple of points: Physicians are interested in opportunities to earn CME credits, and there are misconceptions about CME requirements and how to fulfill them.

Education is one of the chief missions of our network — one of the vital "rear wheels" of the LVHN tricycle. Many Medical Staff members and Network employees teach residents, medical students, nursing students, and other learners. Educational programs are expanding yearly.

But what about CME for practicing physicians? Many Medical Staff members feel they must travel to national meetings to get the minimum credits they need. Some admit that they don't have a thorough understanding of what's required and how to achieve it. Others confess they never think about CME until license renewal or Medical Staff reappointment time, leaving their practice managers to scramble for documentation of conferences attended and credits awarded.

Fortunately, help is on the way.

Jeff Etchason, MD, PhD, Chair, Department of Community Health, Health Studies and Education, and A. J. Lemheney, Administrator, Division of Education, are working on an initiative to improve all aspects of Continuing Medical Education. It includes:

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- ... Increasing the quantity, quality, and variety of CME opportunities
- ... Providing training in CME accreditation requirements to organizers of educational programs
- ... Adding Category 1-A Osteopathic credits to the list of credits available
- ... Surveying all clinicians about CME needs
- ... Providing on-line tracking of CME credits for each physician.

The future of CME is not just about attending conferences and counting credits. Updated accreditation guidelines emphasize competence, performance, and patient outcomes including promotion of quality and patient safety, and measuring the results, according to Kelly Roberts, the Division of Education's new Manager of Continuing Education. LVHN is addressing these changes, as well as exploring new educational approaches such as "eLearning."

How can members of the Medical Staff get involved?

Respond to the CME needs survey this fall. Be a participant in network CME programs. And consider serving as a program organizer or faculty member; it's a great way to connect with referring doctors and institutions.

In addition, accreditation guidelines require physician input in CME program planning and program evaluation. The Division of Education is looking for physicians to serve on the Continuing Education Advisory Board. If you're interested, call or email me, or contact Kelly Roberts at 610-969-2379 or Kelly.Roberts@lvh.com.

Don't wait until license renewal time to think about CME!



Linda L. Lapos, MD
Medical Staff President

(Answers to Quiz: 1, 2 and 3 are True)

Medical Staff Dues Reminder

On September 1, annual dues invoices were distributed to members of the Medical Staff of Lehigh Valley Hospital. A big "Thank You" goes out to all doctors who have already paid their dues. For those who have not, the deadline is quickly approaching. As stipulated in the Medical Staff Bylaws, "Any member whose dues are not paid in full by **October 15** shall be considered to have voluntarily resigned from the Medical Staff effective as of that date . . ."

Don't risk the chance of losing your Medical Staff privileges – please remit your dues before the deadline!

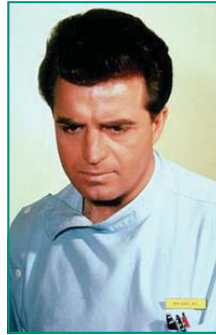


The Chair's Corner

by Thomas V. Whalen, MD, Chair, Department of Surgery

As a child decades ago, I watched ***Doctor Kildare*** and ***Ben Casey***. It was in those formative years that I decided what I wanted to be when I grew up: not just a doctor, I wanted to be a surgeon. In no small measure my motivation was shaped by these fictional characters viewed in black and white on a small screen

(for any residents reading this, you will not believe it, but we had to walk to the set and change the channel! On the other hand, there were only two or three channels so changes were far less frequent). Let's speak plainly, Ben Casey, played by Vince Edwards, was not simply respected – he was feared (by everyone except Doctor Zorba anyway). As an early adolescent, such power was compelling, and it didn't hurt that he was always right and managed to help a lot of people at the same time (it was only in reruns when I had matured a bit that I began to understand some of the other issues). Doctor Casey did not suffer fools lightly, and his bluntness was unparalleled.



Although the *Captain of the Ship* is a legal concept (and one losing favor), its connotation is also something that surgeons of my era widely embraced. The consequence of such an attitude clearly was and is ***arrogance***. Many in society and perhaps most of our non-surgeon physician colleagues paint us with that brush. We too often intimidate, and do not embrace a team mentality. The Pennsylvania Patient Safety reporting System publishes a newsletter, "Patient Safety Advisory." In June of this year, an article appeared on wrong-site surgery. It reviewed factors that the Joint Commission has found to contribute to this egregious error. Two of them were under Organizational Culture as "lack of teamwork" and the "attitude that a surgeon's decision should never be questioned." In our current complicated health care system these two attributes cannot be tolerated.

In our growing network, I am convinced that among our nearly 9,000 employees, everyone comes to work intending to do a good job. Each of our positions may vary according to complexity, stress, and a host of other factors, but we all want to do what we can do to help the people in our community to have the healthiest lives that they can. To accomplish that aim requires us to work as a team, and as a team of teams. The surgeon can and must be questioned when another of our LVHN colleagues feels that to do so is in the best interest of the patient. The surgeon in turn must then respond professionally and collegially to anyone who may question him or her – it may some day save you from operating on the wrong site.



Update on Restraint Policies

The United States Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services now requires that deaths that occur while patient is restrained and/or deaths that occur within 24 hours of restraint removal must be reported. It is VITAL that appropriate physician orders and documentation be present in the patient's medical record.

The Periodic Performance Review for restraints revealed several deficiencies in regards to physician ordering and documentation requirements for medical-surgical and behavioral management restraints.

Based on a review of restraint orders and documentation, several practices must be addressed.

Medical-Surgical Restraint Orders

- ... CAPOE orders must have a PURPOSE for restraints ordered.
- ... The MD daily note must address the rationale for continued restraints.
- ... An order must be MODIFIED/ WRITTEN every 24 hours.
- ... A verbal order to the nurse to renew restraints is not sufficient.
- ... Use of the option "Orders Reviewed" does not qualify for reordering restraints.
- ... There can never be PRN restraint orders.

Behavioral Health Restraints

- ... An IN-Person evaluation must be done within 1 hour of application.
- ... An In-Person evaluation must be done according to age related requirements for continued use of BH restraints. See BH Restraint policy for age related requirements.
- ... MD MUST not bypass CAPOE safeguards by entering a letter or symbol in required fields in order to process order. Please complete required fields appropriately.
- ... A new order (listed as Reassessment) must be entered in CAPOE with each In-Person evaluation. Family should be notified. If they are not notified a note must be written with the rationale for lack of notification.

Revisions to the **Restraint for Acute Medical/ Surgical Care** policy and the **Restraint and Seclusion for Behavioral Health** policy were reviewed and approved by the Medical Executive Committee on June 7, 2007. Both of these policies may be found on the hospital intranet listed under "Resources" – "Applications" – "Administrative Manual."

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Maureen T. Smith, Patient Care Specialist, Neuroscience Intensive Care Unit, at 610-402-8927 or pager 610-402-5100 1787.

Occupational Medicine Position – HealthWorks

HealthWorks at Lehigh Valley Hospital is seeking an occupational medicine physician for a salaried position. Board-certified/Board-eligible physicians with training/experience in occupational medicine, internal medicine, family practice or emergency medicine will be considered. The full-time position offers flexibility, no call, no weekends. HealthWorks treats all work-related injuries and illnesses and provides services for drug and alcohol testing, physical exams and all other occupational health related services including audiograms, pulmonary function testing, laboratory testing, x-rays and physical therapy. Candidates should be willing to pursue Medical Review Officer certification. Any interested member of the LVHHN Medical Staff is encouraged to apply. Please call Pam Adams, LVH Physician Recruiter, at 610-969-0213 for more information or email CV to pamela.adams@lvh.com

Are you ready to ROC, DOC?

At the General Medical Staff meeting on September 10, the CC Readiness Project tri-leaders made a presentation on the CC Readiness project.

Edward M. Mullin, Jr., MD, shared the overall project structure. Goals and guiding principles are at the backbone of the CC Readiness structure, which are connected to the Four Priorities of member satisfaction, care management, functional plan and operations improvement.

Marty Everhart, Vice President, Human Resources, reviewed the staffing levels required to open Kasych. Currently, the staffing needs for Kasych are over 90% complete with a few vacancies left to fill. Mr. Everhart also provided information on the new "At Your Request" room service, which will be implemented campus-wide at Cedar Crest. Once an order is placed for a meal, it will arrive within 60 minutes.

Molly Sebastian, Vice President, Patient Care Services, presented the move sequence. The moves will begin the week of January 7, 2008. Mrs. Sebastian also added that this calendar represents a schedule of planned moves only. Actual dates are contingent on approval by Facilities and Construction, Patient Care Services, Dietary, and Biomedical Engineering.

A sub-group of the Staffing Committee has been meeting to address clinical and operational process changes, such as: Code Blue Team, Patient Lifts and Standardization of Forms and Equipment.

Following the meeting, Medical Staff members grabbed a hard hat and an information booklet to take a tour of the Kasych Family Pavilion. **Brian Hardner**, Vice President, Facilities and Construction, along with members of his staff, escorted the tour groups, showing the progress in various areas. Some highlights of the tour included:

- ... Every patient room has a ceiling lift installed
- ... All patient rooms are private
- ... Patient rooms feature large windows designed to let in abundant, natural light
- ... A convenience store will be featured on the ground level of the building



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ROC DOC membership represents a multidisciplinary slice of our physician population. The list has grown to 39 members since its inception in January 2007.

The ROC DOCs held another meeting on Monday, September 17, where Michael Pistoria, DO, gave a presentation on Exemplary Care and Learning Sites (ECL). Our Network's site will be on the fifth floor of the Kasych Family Pavilion and will join a list of very few who also have similar sites in operation. This concept brings care processes and learning processes together into one model.

Remember, if you have any questions about the CC Readiness Expansion project, the ROC Hotline is available by calling 610-402-7700 and leaving a message with your question. The hotline is available 24/7 and your message will be retrieved promptly. You should receive notification within 48 hours on the status of your question.





Construction Update

With the ongoing construction at Lehigh Valley Hospital, the following information may be helpful for you and your patients when visiting the Cedar Crest & I-78 campus:

Physician Parking

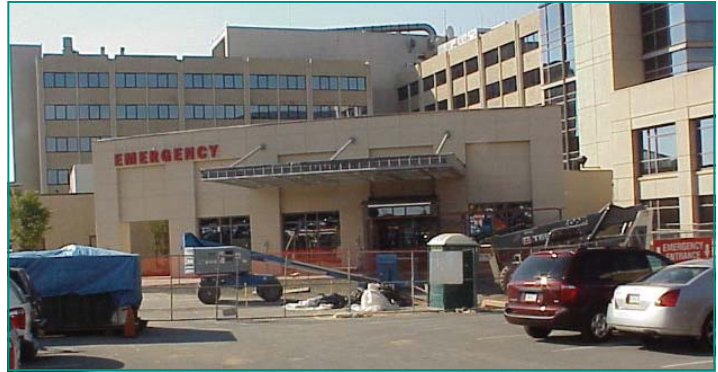
- ... Physicians should continue to park in Lot 6 with overflow into Lot 5. If and only when both of these lots become full, physicians may park in the five-story deck. However, card access to this deck is limited to those physicians who have offices in the Center for Advanced Health Care.

Site Renovations

- ... Construction of the new Fish Hatchery Road employee entrance has started in the stone parking lot 4A. Work will continue until completion in November.
- ... Construction of the new Emergency drive continues near the 1220 MRI building. Due to construction, Cancer Center loading dock traffic will need to shift to the Emergency drive.
- ... Parking lot revisions continue in front of the John & Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center.

Lobby and Anderson Wing

- ... In order to install flooring and renovate bathrooms, the hallway from the main entrance (lobby seating area near the information desk) to the Anderson Wing (along the front windows) is closed.
- ... The bathrooms next to the Gift Shop and the ATM machine will not be available during this construction.



Finishing touches are being completed to the new walk-in entrance to the Emergency Department.

Kasych Pavilion Update

Right on schedule, construction crews are putting the finishing touches on the new seven-story Kasych Family Pavilion. Some floors are already complete and being cleaned.

In early January, the following units will move into Kasych:

- ... An 18-bed Regional Burn Center
- ... A 32-bed medical-surgical intensive care unit
- ... A 14-bed neuroscience intensive care unit
- ... A 30-bed transitional open heart unit
- ... Three 30-bed medical-surgical units

Highway Improvements

- ... Grading and earth work has begun on the future employee entrance road from Fish Hatchery Road.
- ... Final relocation of utility poles and power lines on Fish Hatchery Road and Cedar Crest Blvd. are almost complete.
- ... Road widening continues on Cedar Crest Blvd. from Fish Hatchery Road north to Byrd Avenue.

To get the latest construction update or if you have any questions, please call 610-402-CARE.

News from CAPOE Central

Observation Order Sets

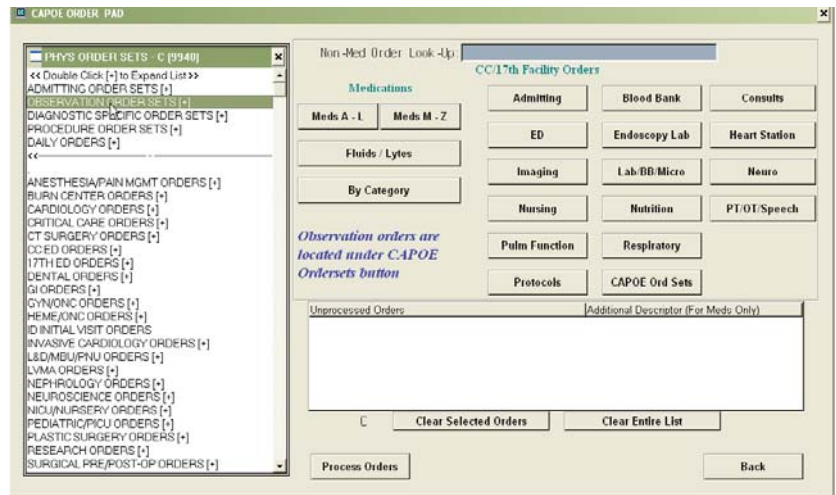
Please note the message on the Order Pad (where the physicians go to add orders) has been modified to remind everyone of the location of these orders. Also, the Observation Orders are located in their own category in the CAPOE Order Sets button. Please see screen shot to the right.

More on Medication Start Dates

Please remember to indicate start date and time when you want a medication to start in the future. If you want a medication to start tomorrow, you can enter either "1D" or the actual date in the Start Date field. However, you must also enter the Start Time. If nothing is entered in the Start Time, the system will default to the current time, which could result in an extra dose or a missed dose. The Start Time entered should coincide with the administration time of the medication, matching the frequency.

"Why was that lab test cancelled?"

Everyone has experienced an instance in which a lab is ordered but you can't find the result. What occasionally happens is that the test is cancelled because it was not drawn in time and was cancelled by the lab, or someone else changed or cancelled the order. A new process is being put into place during October that should remedy this situation. A report will be printed out on the Nursing units that list the labs that have been ordered but not collected. Nursing will then determine if the lab still needs to be drawn. If Nursing is unsure, they may need to contact the ordering physician for clarification. The result of this process will be that the number of missed lab tests will decrease. This may also result in an increase in the number of phone calls to physicians for clarifications. Because the lab will not cancel/credit a lab test until after discharge, there may be an increase in the number of lab result pages sent to the offices with the result, 'lab credited.'



When do you really want that EKG

There has been some ongoing confusion about ordering EKG's, especially those for the next morning. A new order set has been created, "EKG – Now or Tomorrow AM" that is located under the Heart Station Button. The order set contains two choices – one for an EKG now, and a choice for 'the next 0700,' called 'EKG in AM.' The 'EKG Now' order will order the EKG for now, unless you change the date/time on the detail screen. Note that the EKG in AM order will order the EKG for 0700. So, if it is 2 a.m. and you choose this order, the EKG will be performed five hours later. If it is 2 a.m. and you want the EKG performed the following AM (29 hours later), you need to change the date in the Date Field on the detail screen. Please take a look at this order set and use it accordingly.

If you have any questions regarding these issues, please contact Don Levick, MD, MBA, Physician Liaison, Information Services, at 610-402-1426, or pager 610-402-5100 7481.

Research Corner

Cystatin C Study

This study is designed to determine if Cystatin C is an earlier marker of contrast-induced nephropathy than creatinine in the diabetic population with decompensated renal function. The study is also designed to determine if Cystatin C can occur independent of elevations in serum creatinine following radiocontrast administration along with do Cystatin C levels predict the development of contrast-induced nephropathy. The patient will undergo a series of blood tests, including Cystatin C and serum creatinine within eight hours pre-contrast study, six hours post, 24 hours post and 48 hours post-contrast. Patients who do not require extended hospitalization following the procedure will be asked to return for an outpatient blood draw.

Principal Investigator: Michael Lattanzio, DO, Internal Medicine Resident

Study Coordinator: Sharon Kromer, RN, Department of Medicine Research

Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

This is a randomized, double-blind, active-comparator controlled clinical trial to study the efficacy and safety of MK-0431A for the treatment of patients with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (T2DM). Study involvement consists of seven visits over a 44-week period. Subjects will be excluded if they have a known intolerance or hypersensitivity to metformin. Subject will also be excluded if they have previously been treated with sitagliptin or any DPP-4 inhibitor or incretin mimetic (e.g. Exenatide). Other exclusion criteria include but are not limited to: liver disease, PVD, CHF, MI, unstable angina, CABG, PTCA, Stroke, TIA within past three months or HIV, hematological disorder or malignancy.

Principal Investigator: Mark Kender, MD, Division of General Internal Medicine

Study Coordinator: Sharon Kromer, RN, Department of Medicine Research

If you have any questions regarding these studies, please call the Department of Medicine Research office at 610-402-1592 or 610-402-1635. For study referrals, please page the coordinator on call at 610-402-5100 0999.



LVHHN Digital Library Services

Basic Epocrates Drug Database Added to Digital Library

Access to Epocrates, a drug information database providing access to more than 3,300 brand and generic drugs, has been added to the Digital Library homepage.

Drug monographs include adult and pediatric dosing, adverse reactions, drug interactions, black box warnings, contraindications, indications, mechanism of action, pricing and packaging.

In addition to drug monographs, the program offers information on indications, mechanism of action, on- and off-label dosing, adverse reactions, contraindications, drug interactions, and pricing. A multiple-drug interaction checker for up to 30 concomitant medications is included as well as MedMath medical calculators.

To use **Epocrates**, log on to the LVHHN intranet and click on Departments/NonClinical/Library Services/Epocrates.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Library Services at 610-402-8410 or 610-969-2263.

Congratulations!



Rene L. Pristas, DO, Department of Anesthesiology, was recently awarded Specialty Certification in Anesthesiology by the American Board of Anesthesiology.

Dr. Pristas has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 2006, and is a member of Allentown Anesthesia Associates, Inc.

Papers, Publications and Presentations



Roberto CM Bergamaschi, MD, PhD, Medical Director, Minimally Invasive Surgery Program, was invited by the Department of Colorectal Surgery of the Cleveland Clinic to give a grand rounds presentation titled "Laparoscopic APR for Cancer" on September 5.



Dennis B. Cornfield, MD, Chief, Section of Hematopathology & Clinical Laboratory Medicine, co-authored an article, "2006 Bethesda International Consensus Recommendations on the Flow Cytometric Immunophenotypic Analysis of Hematolymphoid Neoplasia: Medical Indications," which was published in the September 2007 issue of *Clinical Cytometry*.



Ronald S. Freudenberger, MD, Division of Cardiology, co-authored an article, "Comparison of Rate Versus Rhythm Control for Atrial Fibrillation in Patients with Left Ventricular Dysfunction," which was published in the July 2007 issue of the *American Journal of Cardiology*.



Larry R. Glazerman, MD, Division of Gynecology, co-authored an article, "Positive Symptom Improvement with Laparoscopic Uterosacral Ligament Repair for Uterine or Vaginal Vault Prolapse: Interim Results from an Active Multicenter Trial," which was published in Volume 14, Number 5, September/October 2007 issue of the *Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology*.



Pamela A. Howard, MD, Division of Burn/Trauma-Surgical Critical Care/General Surgery, co-authored the article, "Is the Glass Really Half Empty? A Closer Look at the TBSA Data in the National Burn Repository," which was published in the *Journal of Burn Care & Research* (2007; 28: 542-543).



Indru T. Khubchandani, MD, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery, was an invited member of the faculty at the 11th National Congress of the Turkish Society of Colorectal Surgery in Bodrum, Turkey, from August 26-30. Dr. Khubchandani gave two conference lectures, moderated a panel, and was a participant in another panel.



Martin A. Martino, MD, Division of Gynecologic Oncology, was a co-author of two articles – "Defining Practice Patterns in Gynecologic Oncology to Prevent Pulmonary Embolism and Deep Venous Thrombosis" and "Cytoreductive Surgery for Patients with Recurrent Epithelial Ovarian Carcinoma." Both of the articles were published in the September 2007 issue of *Gynecologic Oncology*.



Paul J. Mosca, MD, PhD, Chief, Section of Surgical Oncology, co-authored the article, "Dendritic Cell Vaccines," which appeared in the May 2007 issue of *Frontiers in Bioscience*.



Lester Rosen, MD, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery, was a Visiting Professor at Hershey Medical Center on September 6, where he gave a Grand Rounds presentation titled "Safety in Surgery." He also discussed three cases of colorectal cancer in patients aged 20-30 years that were presented by the surgical residents.

Upcoming Seminars, Conferences and Meetings

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds are held on Thursdays, beginning at 8 a.m. (unless otherwise noted) at various locations. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

October 4 – No Grand Rounds – AOA Convention

October 11 – No Grand Rounds – ACEP Scientific Assembly

October 18 – EMI – 2166 S. 12th Street

- ... Pulmonary Module
- ... Rosen's Club – Gavin Barr, Jr., MD

October 25 – EMI – 2166 S. 12th Street

- ... "Who Wants to be an ED Physician?" (game show) – Tony Werhun, MD, and Perry Fooskas, MD
- ... Resident Lecture Series – Rezi Lloyd, DO
- ... Longitudinal Series – Bryan Kane, MD
- ... Rosen's Club – Gavin Barr, Jr., MD

For more information, please call Dawn Yenser in the Department of Emergency Medicine at 484-884-2888.

Family Medicine Grand Rounds

Family Medicine Grand Rounds are held the first Tuesday of every month from 7 to 8 a.m., in the Educational Conference Center Room #1 at Lehigh Valley Hospital – Cedar Crest & I-78, located on the first floor of the Anderson Wing, and teleconferenced to the Educational Conference Center, Room B, at LVH-Muhlenberg. The topic for October will be:

- ... October 2 – "GME Annual Report" – William Iobst, MD, and J.P. Orlando, MD

NOTE: Teleconferencing to LVH-M will not be available for this presentation

For more information, please contact Sue Turi in the Department of Family Medicine at 610-969-4894.

Medical Grand Rounds

Medical Grand Rounds are held every Tuesday, beginning at noon, in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78, and videoconferenced to the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg.

Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- ... October 2 – "Update in Allergy" – Howard Israel, MD
- ... October 9 – "Update in Neurology" – Gary Clauser, MD
- ... October 16 – "Exercise Associated Hyponatremia" – Mitchell Rosner, MD
- ... October 23 – "Metabolic Affects Sleep" – Gretchen Perilli, MD
- ... October 30 – "Update in Hematology/Oncology" – Lloyd Barron, MD

For more information, please contact Theresa Marx in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-5200.

Neurology Conferences

The Division of Neurology conferences are held on Thursdays beginning at noon. All conferences are held in Classrooms 1 and 3 in the Anderson Wing at Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78, and videoconferenced to the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-M.

Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- ... October 4 – "Diagnostic Approach to the Patient with Elevated Serum CK" – Jay Varrato, DO
- ... October 11 – Division Meeting – Conference Canceled
- ... October 18 – "Pattern Recognition in the Diagnosis of Peripheral Neuropathy" – Glenn Mackin, MD
- ... October 25 – "Update on Immunosuppressive Therapies for Neuromuscular Disorders" – Yuebing Li, MD, PhD

For more information, please contact Sharon Bartz, Program Coordinator, Neurosciences and Pain Research, at 610-402-9008.

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OB/GYN Grand Rounds

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology holds Grand Rounds every Friday from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78, unless otherwise noted. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- ... October 5 – “Patient Safety: Miles to Go Before I Sleep” – Paul A. Gluck, MD, Visiting Professor, University of Miami School of Medicine
- ... October 12 – OB M & M – Orion Rust, MD
- ... October 19 – “QA and Physician Report Cards” – Thomas Hutchinson, MD/
Francine Miranda, RN
- ... October 26 – “Using Personal Protective Equipment for Patient: Contact Precautions Compliance” – Susan Pear, Visiting Presenter, Kimberly Clark Corporation

For more information, please contact Teresa Benner in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at 610-969-4515.

Pediatric Grand Rounds

The Department of Pediatrics holds Grand Rounds every Tuesday, beginning at 8 a.m., in the Educational Conference Room #1 at Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78, unless otherwise noted. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- ... October 2 – “Update on Food Allergy” – Mark Shampain, MD
- ... October 9 – Case Presentation
- ... October 15 – “Shaken Baby” – Mark Dias, MD, Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery, Milton S. Hershey Medical Center
- ... October 23 – “Medical Ethics” – Stephen Lammers, PhD
- ... October 30 – “Family Centered Care” – Lorraine Dickey, MD

For more information, please contact Kelli Ripperger in the Department of Pediatrics at 610-969-2540.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds

The next Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds presentation will be held on **Thursday, October 18**, beginning at noon (registration at 11:45 a.m.) in the Educational Classrooms C and D, at LVH-Muhlenberg. The topic of discussion will be:

- ... “Redefining Bipolar Depression Diagnosis and Treatment” – Norman Sussman, MD, Professor of Psychiatry, New York University School of Medicine

For more information, please contact Tammy Schweizer in the Department of Psychiatry at 610-402-5255.

Surgical Grand Rounds

Surgical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays, beginning at 7 a.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78, and via videoconference in the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg. Topics to be discussed in October will include:

- ... October 2 – “Genetic Testing for Hereditary Breast Cancer: More Than a Simple Blood Test” – Gregory Harper, MD/Tara Namey, MS, CGC
- ... October 9 – No Conference
- ... October 16 – “New Insight into Breast Cancer Biology” – Aaron Bleznak, MD
- ... October 23 – “The Role of Psychiatry in the Treatment of Delirium, Agitation and Substance Abuse in the ICU Patient” – John Finley, MD, Chief, Psychiatric Consultation, New England Medical Center
- ... October 30 – “Thoracic Trauma” – Timothy Misselbeck, MD, Chief Surgical Resident

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



Who's New

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

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