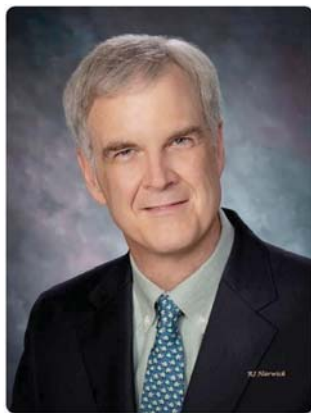


# Progress Notes

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



### Camp Red Jacket

**T**hink back to the summers of your childhood and the things that brought joy to your life. For most of us, summertime was made for play and laughter, for running around unfettered, for staying up late and hanging out with friends, maybe eating ice cream, pizza or watermelon. Perhaps you went to camp or to the beach.

But what if you had had diabetes as a child? What would it have been like for you to carry your glucometer and insulin supplies around with you, poking yourself at every snack time, drawing up your insulin? Would your friends have understood? Would they have screamed “eeeew” when you injected yourself? What if you had become hypoglycemic in the middle of a game? Would others have recognized what was wrong and jumped in to help you?

Kids with Type 1 diabetes have to adapt to caring for a medical condition that most adults struggle with. More than that, they are “uber conscious” of their friends in social settings, where pulling out a glucometer or needle and syringe is more likely to inspire fear or other negative reactions.

That’s why **Camp Red Jacket** has been a big help to kids with diabetes — and to their parents. Sponsored by LVHN, Camp Red Jacket is a free, three-day summer program which teaches children with Type 1 diabetes how to have fun while also caring for themselves outside of a classroom. The participants do art and crafts and play games like tug-of-war, freeze-tag and kickball. They also get to swim, do a ropes course and hunt for tadpoles while wading in the stream. “The children are educated via ‘real life’ experiences, not in a sterile school environment,” says Dr. Bob McCauley, an LVPG Endocrinologist who has helped out with Camp Red Jacket the last couple of summers. “I really enjoy interacting with the kids in this setting — it helps me build trust with them in a context that is very different than when I see them in the office.” Guided by mentoring “junior counselors” (who also have diabetes), educators and nurses, the campers learn how to manage their diabetes under a variety of conditions.

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Resident doctors from LVHN are also invited to partner with camp counselors to supervise the campers and to troubleshoot any problems that arise.

For the past three summers, the camp has been held at Camp Fowler in Orefield, Pa., which offers the children and counselors an immersive camp experience. Kids learn to make connections between exercise and their insulin needs. They also learn about healthy food choices and how to balance meals with snack times. Being together while checking their glucoses and getting their insulin injections helps reduce the “embarrassment” factor. Together, they develop camaraderie — and self-confidence. Dr. McCauley observes, “It’s a great place for children to ‘be normal’ — to have fun while also caring for yourself.”

The clinicians who staff Camp Red Jacket also learn a lot. Dr. McCauley confesses, “Living with diabetes is very different than treating it. I’ve also noticed that the graduates of Camp Red Jacket tend to do better with their diabetes as adults. In a value-based era, Camp Red Jacket is a good investment.”

Since February includes “Valentine’s Day,” it provides a good time for us to reflect – to appreciate those who can’t just dive into a box of chocolates . . . and the courage and skill with which kids with chronic medical conditions tackle their daily challenges. If you’d like to donate to or help out at Camp Red Jacket this summer, please contact Mary Whitlock (610-402-3033) or Phyllis Kutzer (610-402-4702) at the Helwig Diabetes Center by April 30, 2014.

For more information about Camp Red Jacket, click on the following link: [CAMP RED JACKET](#)



Robert J. Motley, MD  
Medical Staff President

**February is also the time for Valentine’s Day. Enjoy these riddles written by children . . .**

Q: What do farmers give their wives on Valentine’s Day?

A: Hogs and Kisses!

Q: What did Frankenstein say to his girlfriend?

A: “Be my valenstein!”

Q: Do skunks celebrate Valentine’s Day?

A: Sure, they’re very scent-imental!

Q: What does a man who loves his car do on February 14?

A: He gives it a Valenshine!

Q: Why is Valentine’s Day the best day for a celebration?

A: Because you can really party hearty!

Q: What did the chocolate syrup say to the ice cream?

A: “I’m sweet on you!”

Q: Why did the pig give his girlfriend a box of candy?

A: It was Valenswine’s Day!

Q: What do you call a very small valentine?

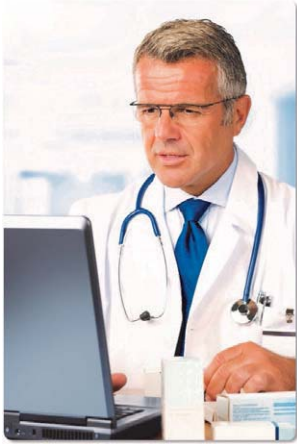
A: A valintiny!

Q: What did the painter say to her boyfriend?

A: I love you with all my art!

# MEDICAL 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 Medical Staff must be reappointed a minimum of once every two years.



On **March 3, 2014**, this year's biennial reappointment process will be put into motion when reappointment applications **will be deployed on the web for over 1,100 members of the Medical Staff**. In addition to the online reappointment application, instructions will be included for submitting the reappointment application and:

- How to review your current privilege sheet and relinquish any privileges that you no longer perform.
- How to complete the **Hospital Disclosure and Conflict of Interest Statement** which must be done annually. Completion for FY'14 is required in conjunction with the biennial reappointment and must be completed by **April 2, 2014**. (Refer to the January 2014 issue of *Progress Notes* for more information.)
- How to complete the appropriate TLC (The Learning Curve) moderate sedation module(s) and examination if you have **Adult and/or Pediatric Moderate Sedation** privileges. This requirement is mandatory for continuation and maintenance of these privileges and for your 2014 Medical Staff biennial reappointment, and must be completed by **April 2, 2014**. (Refer to the January issue of *Progress Notes* for more information.)

Practitioners are encouraged to review the checklist to make sure all the information is provided and arrangements for submission of all the required documents have been made.

**New this year** is a document regarding the **Scholarly Works Repository** which will need to be completed electronically as part of the online application. This is a document defining the terms for the deposit of materials in all formats into the digital repository of materials collected, preserved and made available through LVHN's Scholarly Works Repository.

As a convenience, 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 Medical 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

Practitioners who are unable to obtain PPD testing in the private setting may contact the hospital's Employee Health Office during walk-in hours to make arrangements for the test. For a list of hours, contact Employee Health at 610-402-8869.

**The deadline to return reappointment applications is March 24, 2014.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** This online 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 February 15, 2014, to assure that any login issues can be corrected prior to March 3. If you have any questions or problems related to the log in process, please call Rita Mest in Medical Staff Services at 610-402-8968.

If you have any other questions regarding this year's Medical Staff reappointment process, please contact Medical Staff Services at 610-402-8900.

# LVHN CELEBRATES HAZLETON MERGER



On January 9, 2014, Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) officially welcomed its new colleagues from the former Greater Hazleton Health Alliance (GHHA) into the Allentown-based health network during a celebration of their recent merger at the newly named Lehigh Valley Hospital-Hazleton. LVHN also announced that as a result of the merger, which took effect January 1, one of the first actions to enhance patient care in the Hazleton area is the permanent move of the Lehigh Valley Health Network MedEvac helicopter stationed in Weatherly, Pa., to Lehigh Valley Hospital-Hazleton (LVH-Hazleton).

Another change coming right away at LVH-Hazleton as a direct result of the merger is that Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley (MILV) will assume responsibility for radiology professional services at that hospital campus and at the Health and Wellness Center at Hazleton. The move brings to the region the expertise of more than 40 board-certified radiologists; physician availability 24/7; and an efficient and comprehensive TeleRadiology service that complements the on-site services at the hospital and wellness center.

Signage identifying the hospital as LVH-Hazleton also was unveiled at the event. Ronald W. Swinfard, MD, LVHN's President and CEO, said there will be other changes over the next 12 months as work continues to fully integrate the merged organizations.

## HELP PUT LVHN ON THE U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT "BEST HOSPITALS" LIST

In early February, be on the lookout for a survey of U.S. News & World Report's "Best Hospitals" for specialty care. The questionnaire is sent each year by the RTI Research Group and asks recipients to list up to 10 programs in U.S. hospitals. If you receive a survey, you will have an opportunity to help your specialty achieve a coveted national ranking for clinical excellence in 2014.

The U.S. News "Best Hospital" ratings are highly valued by our network. LVH was named in seven of those areas for 2013-2014: cardiology and heart surgery, geriatrics, gastroenterology, gynecology, orthopedics, pulmonary and urology. The weight of the hospital reputation score recently was reduced from 32.5 percent to 27.5 percent of the overall "Best Hospital" ratings, obtained primarily through surveys from physicians.

Surveys will be sent via U.S. Mail or email to 200 physicians nationwide in each specialty. They are resent up to three more times to those who receive them but do not return them. In the past, a \$2 bill has been included as an incentive that makes the mailings recognizable. They may be doing this again, so please look for this mailing.

In addition, U.S. News will survey 50,000 other board-certified physicians through Doximity, a professional network for doctors. Survey-eligible Doximity members will be notified when they log on that they are invited to participate. Only physicians who are board-certified in a specialty or subspecialty in one of the 16 ranked specialties will be included in the survey.

If you receive a survey, please list LVH and LVH-Muhlenberg among your recommended 10 hospitals in the country for our services. If you have questions regarding this article, call Rob Stevens, LVHN corporate communications specialist, at 484-884-0824.



# INTRODUCING LEHIGH VALLEY IMAGING



Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) has shared a mutually beneficial and successful relationship with Lehigh Magnetic Imaging Center (LMIC) as well as Lehigh Valley Diagnostic Imaging (LVDI) for over two decades. After many years of being independent partners, LVDI and LMIC will become provider-based services of LVHN and will operate under a new company name – **Lehigh Valley Imaging**. Upon approval by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, this change was scheduled to take effect on January 28, 2014.

“This business model will become increasingly important as the national health care landscape changes and the continuum of care, which includes imaging services, becomes more integrated with other health care services,” says Fran Blackwell, Senior Vice President of Ambulatory Services at LVHN. Although the company name has changed, there will be no noticeable changes for referring physicians. They should continue to use the same process for referring patients and obtaining reports as they have done in the past.

Because imaging facilities will be licensed as provider-based, they now must meet stringent Pennsylvania Department of Health and Joint Commission Accreditation standards. As the inspection process occurs, LVHN is investing \$5-6 million in renovations to meet these requirements. The newly renovated space provides the safest imaging environment possible and ensures patients receive the highest quality care.

“Provider-based” refers to the billing process for services rendered in a hospital or outpatient setting. Under this model, patients will receive two separate bills. The bill for imaging services will be from Lehigh Valley Hospital. There will be a separate bill from the radiologist who reads the imaging study.

Depending on their insurance coverage, patients may pay more for imaging services. Patients should review their insurance benefits or contact their insurance provider to determine what their policy covers and what out-of-pocket expenses they will be responsible to pay at the time of service. As before, patients will be asked to pay any out-of-pocket expenses in full at the time of service.

LVHN will provide the same services as were previously provided by LMIC and LVDI at the following locations. These services will be managed by Lehigh Valley Imaging:

- 1220 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown – MRI
- 1230 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown – MRI
- 1247 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown – MRI
- 1770 Bathgate, Bethlehem – MRI
- 1250 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown – CT

To schedule an MRI appointment, call 610-740-9500, option 3. To schedule a CT appointment, call 610-435-1600, option 1.

If you have any questions regarding this article, please contact Fran Blackwell, Senior Vice President of Ambulatory Services, at 484-884-2247.

# THE BREAST DENSITY NOTIFICATION ACT: WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU AND YOUR PATIENTS

On November 1, 2013, Governor Corbett signed the Breast Density Notification Act, making Pennsylvania the 13<sup>th</sup> state requiring patients be informed of their breast density. Prior to the passage of this legislation, patients received a lay letter regarding their results. Referring health care providers already receive the radiologist report which contains the patients' breast density. The legislation mandates patients be informed of their density and that additional screening options exist. They will be instructed to discuss their density, individual risk profile and additional potentially applicable testing with their health care provider.

Breast density is the qualitative amount of fibroglandular tissue in the breast characterized on a scale of 1-4 on the basis of percentage. The densities are as follows: fatty (0-25%), scattered fibroglandular (25-50%), heterogeneously dense (50-75%) and dense (75-100%). Women who fall into the categories of heterogeneously dense and dense (approximately 50% of patients), will be informed they have dense breast tissue under the new legislation.

The significance of breast density includes the effect on mammographic sensitivity and increase in breast cancer risk. The more significant impact is reduced sensitivity as the dense breast tissue may obscure a malignancy.

The recommendations for screening mammography are the same for women with dense breasts. With the new mandate, patients may express an interest in additional screening options. It may be helpful to triage the need for a formal risk assessment. The strongest risk factors besides age and gender are personal/family history and atypia on a prior biopsy. If indicated, a patient may be referred to the Cancer Risk and Genetic Assessment Program at LVHN within the Cancer Center. Additional screening options such as screening ultrasound and breast MRI in the appropriate high risk population may be helpful. However, particularly in low risk women, false positives are highly likely. 3D mammography is a newer tool that has been promising in early data for women with dense breasts. In fact, it has yielded fewer false positives. At this point, 3D mammography (tomosynthesis) and screening ultrasound are not covered by insurance companies. Screening MRI is often covered for high risk women, particularly those who meet American Cancer Society criteria.

**For additional information, please refer to the following website:**

[LEARN ABOUT BREAST CANCER](#)

If you have any questions regarding this article, please contact Priya K. Sareen, MD, Co-Chief, Section of Mammography, at 610-402-0691.

## NOTIFICATION OF REORGANIZATION OF FUNCTIONS BY LVPHO/VALLEY PREFERRED



**Beginning January 1, 2014, all Valley Preferred provider and network management functions will be served by Populytics, a separately incorporated, wholly-owned company of Lehigh Valley Health Network.**

The re-organization is a transition of functions by LVPHO/Valley Preferred designed to streamline its current operations to focus on provider clinical integration and enablement while repositioning some current administrative functions to affiliates with existing, comparable administrative capabilities. Essentially, the very same LVPHO/Valley Preferred team will be joining Populytics and providing the same services.

LVPHO/Valley Preferred will retain its contractual obligations for LVPHO physicians and enter into a fully accountable and compliant services subcontract with Populytics. In the end, the same team will provide the same services simply under Populytics, instead of LVPHO/Valley Preferred.

If you have any questions, please contact Selicia Chronister, Director, Sales and Client Services, Populytics (formerly Valley Preferred), at 610-969-0202.

# CONGRATULATIONS



**Jill M. Blickley, DO**, Division of General Internal Medicine, Section of Hospital Medicine, was recently recertified in Internal Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine. Dr. Blickley has been a member of the Medical Staff since December, 2011. She is in practice with LVHN Hospital Medicine at Muhlenberg.



**Jeffery A. Debuque, DO**, Division of General Internal Medicine, Section of Hospital Medicine, was recently recertified in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine. Dr. Debuque has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 1993. He is in practice with Lehigh Area Medical Associates of LVPG-CMA.



**Kimberly Legg Corba, DO**, Department of Family Medicine, was recently recertified in Family Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians. Dr. Legg Corba has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2003. She is in practice with Green Hills Family Health Care, Inc.



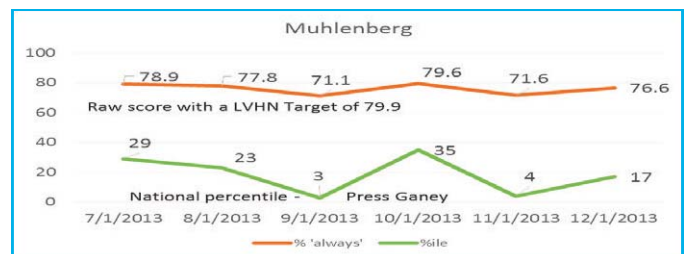
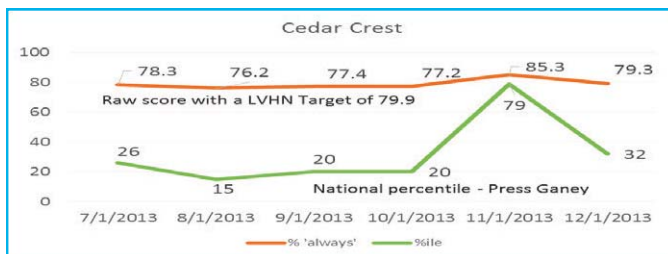
**Charles D. Peters, Jr., MD**, Division of Cardiology, was recently elected to Fellowship in the American College of Physicians (ACP). The American College of Physicians is a national organization of internal medicine physicians (internists) – specialists who apply scientific knowledge and clinical expertise to the diagnosis, treatment, and compassionate care of adults across the spectrum from health to complex illness. With 137,000 members, the ACP is the largest medical-specialty organization and second-largest physician group in the United States. Dr. Peters has been a member of the Medical Staff since October, 2008. He is in practice with The Heart Care Group, PC.



**Jeffrey Radecki, MD**, Chief, Division of Physical Medicine-Rehabilitation, was recently certified in Sports Medicine by the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. He is also board certified in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. Dr. Radecki has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2013. He is in practice with Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Specialists of LVPG.

## HCAHPS INSIGHT

As many of you are now learning about HCAHPS (Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems), the focus remains on what is best for our patients. Physician communication remains an opportunity for improvement with LVH-Cedar Crest and LVH-Muhlenberg scores for December in the 32<sup>nd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> percentiles, respectively.



One of the best practices for practitioners is to sit when speaking with patients. A 2010 study by the University of Kansas found patients perceived a 40% increase in time spent when the provider was sitting versus standing. In December, 80% of LVHN Press Ganey comments mentioning physicians were purely positive. For example: “Dr. Stout was very informative and I felt he was very concerned about my condition. He has an excellent bedside manner.”

If you have questions regarding this issue, please contact E.J. Rovella, Program Manager for HCAHPS, at 610-969-4230 or via email at [Ernest.J.Rovella@lvhn.org](mailto:Ernest.J.Rovella@lvhn.org).

# PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS



Terry A. Capuano, Chief Operating Officer, and **Richard S. MacKenzie, MD**, Department of Emergency Medicine Senior Vice Chair, Operations, co-authored an article – “Achieving Succession Planning and Implementation: One Healthcare Network’s Story” – which was published in *Healthcare Management Forum*, Fall 2013 issue.



James F. Geiger, Senior Vice President of Operations; Judith Sabino, Diversity/Cultural Awareness Liaison; **Eric J. Gertner, MD, MPH**, Associate Chief for External Programs for the Division of General Internal Medicine;

**Jarret R. Patton, MD**, Medical Staff President-elect and Medical Director of Outpatient Pediatrics, and **Debbie Salas-Lopez, MD, MPH**, Chair, Department of Medicine, were co-authors of an article – “Bienvenidos: The Initial Phase of Organizational Transformation to Enhance Cross-cultural Health Care Delivery in a Large Health Network” – which was published in *The International Journal of Organizational Diversity*, Volume 12, Issue 4, pp. 25-36.



**Jeffrey S. Mathieu, MD**, and **Susan S. Mathieu, MD**, members of the Department of Family Medicine, and Kathleen Straubinger, Practice Director, Family Health Center, presented “Using Performance Improvement Projects to Engage Residents in PCMH Transformation” at the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine Conference on Practice Improvement held November 21 to 24, in San Diego, Calif.



**Mark A. Gittleman, MD**, Division of General Surgery, Section of Surgical Oncology, presented a poster presentation – “The Impact of Intra-operative Margin Assessment with Adjunctive Use of MARGINPROBE vs. Standard of Care, Dependence on Margin Threshold Definition” – at the San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium held December 10 to 14, in San Antonio, Texas.

He also co-authored two additional poster presentations at the same meeting – “Chemosensitivity and Endocrine Sensitivity Predicted by MammaPrint and Blueprint in the Prospective Neoadjuvant Breast Registry – Symphony Trial” and “Concordance of Microarray Based Determination of ER, PR and HER2 Receptor Status and Local IHC/FISH Assessment in the Prospective Neoadjuvant Breast Registry – Symphony Trial.”



**Peter F. Rovito, MD**, Department of General Surgery, co-authored an article – “Intraoperative Endoscopic Evaluation of the Gastrojejunal Anastomosis during Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass” – which was published in *The American Surgeon*, December 2013, Volume 79, pp. 360-361.

## CHANGES TO MEDICAL STAFF BYLAWS AND RULES AND REGULATIONS

*The following revision to the Medical Staff Bylaws and Rules and Regulations received approval by the Medical Executive Committee on November 5, 2013, the General Medical Staff on December 9, 2013, and the Boards of Trustees of Lehigh Valley Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg on January 8, 2014.*

### ARTICLE XI - OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

#### SECTION B – COMMITTEES

##### d. Clinical Case Review:

##### (iii) Membership:

B. Membership of the Committee shall include: Chief Medical Officer who shall serve as Chair; Senior Vice President, Quality & Care Management who shall serve as Vice-Chair; Medical Director, LVH-M; Chairs of all Clinical Departments; Senior Vice President for Patient Care Services; Administrator, Quality and Case Management; Administrator, Pharmacy; Vice-President, Legal Services; Vice-President, Orthopedic and Perioperative Services; Chief Medical Information Officer; President-Elect of the Medical Staff; Three Physician Quality Leaders; a representative member of the Residency House Staff **and a representative member of the Advanced Practice Clinicians.** Three lay members of the Boards of Trustees; Chair of LVHN Board; President of the Medical Staff; President and CEO of Lehigh Valley Hospital/LVH-M.

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### Part II: MEDICAL STAFF RULES AND REGULATIONS

#### D. ORDERS

##### 2. Verbal and Telephone Orders:

- (b) When a verbal order is taken in an emergency, it must be signed by a practitioner within ~~twenty-four (24) hours~~ **seven (7) days**.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact Karen Fox in Medical Staff Services at 610-402-8957.



# ADVANCED PRACTICE CLINICIANS UPDATE



## Meet the APC Staff

A member of the LVHN Allied Health Professional Staff since November of 2011, **Alan L. Bryski, PA-C**, is this month's featured Advanced Practice Clinician.

With 24 years of experience in the field of psychiatry, Alan is a physician assistant with LVPG-Psychiatry. He completes initial consultations and follow-up visits for general medical and surgical patients who are hospitalized at three of the Lehigh Valley Hospital locations including LVH-Cedar Crest, LVH-Muhlenberg and LVH-17. As a psychiatry physician assistant, his assessments include a detailed history, evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment plan including orders for diagnostic studies, medications and coordination of care with the primary and psychiatric evaluation services. Alan works alongside five psychiatrists and a nurse practitioner. In addition, Alan completes initial psychiatry consultations and follow-up visits for patients at the AIDS Activity Office. This service allows improved collaboration and compliance by providing multi-disciplinary care in one location.

In addition to his patient care responsibilities, Alan is a member of the APC Executive Council and participates on the council's education committee. Also, he serves as a mentor providing education in the area of psychiatry to the SELECT medical students from the University of South Florida College of Medicine.

Alan is a graduate of Wilkes College where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. He then received his certificate in Physician Assistant/Family Nurse Practitioner from King's College. He also earned a master's degree in Health Care Administration from Wilkes College.

In his spare time, Alan is a "Mr. Fix-it" at home. He enjoys problem solving, regardless of whether the problem is related to a car, a tractor, or a plumbing issue. He also enjoys spending time with his wife, Christine, and his two grown daughters – Heather and Amber. Heather is a burn center nurse at LVH-Cedar Crest. Amber is a pharmacist who works at UPMC in Pittsburgh. Despite his busy schedule, Alan looks forward to visiting Amber, his son-in-law Michael, and grandson.

## APC Special Election

The Executive Council of the Advanced Practice Clinicians recently received notice from Gary A. Tarola, DC, of his desire to withdraw from the position of President-elect, effective immediately. Since chiropractors represent a very small percentage of APC's, Dr. Tarola felt an APC with greater representation would be more appropriate and effective as president at this time.

This vacancy creates a need for a **Special Election** for the Advanced Practice Clinicians membership to elect an individual to serve the remaining term of the President-elect position and to automatically succeed into the Presidency beginning in September.

The Nominating Committee will be accepting names for this position and will present a nominee to the membership for consideration and vote at the March 27, 2014 general membership meeting. To nominate a member of the APC staff for this position, call 610-402-APC1 and leave a message including your name, your telephone number, and the name of the nominee, or email [gloribel.nieves@lvhn.org](mailto:gloribel.nieves@lvhn.org) with this information no later than February 18, 2014.

If you have any questions regarding this position or the Advanced Practice Clinicians Executive Council, please email Paul Evans, President ([paul.evans@lvhn.org](mailto:paul.evans@lvhn.org)), Brian Damweber, Past President ([brian.damweber@lvhn.org](mailto:brian.damweber@lvhn.org)), or Gloribel Nieves.

## APC Quarterly Meeting

Please plan to attend the next quarterly meeting of the Advanced Practice Clinicians (APC) on **Thursday, March 27, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Kasych ECC Rooms 7 and 8 at LVH-Cedar Crest**. The meeting will also be teleconferenced to ECC Room C at LVH-Muhlenberg. The agenda for the meeting will include a special election for president-elect as well as educational presentations on pharmacy and geriatrics.

If you have any questions relating to Advanced Practice Clinicians, please call 610-402-APC1 (2721) and leave a message.

# THE RETAIL PHARMACY VIEW

Due to the **Affordable Care Act (ACA)**, just as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will be grading prescriber practices who have Medicare Part D patients, retail pharmacies will also be receiving grades. Initially, these grades will be based on five criteria – use of high risk medications, use of proper blood pressure control in Diabetic patients (using an ACE Inhibitor or ARB), the adherence of the patients to their Diabetic medications, cholesterol medications, and blood pressure control medications. CMS will also be pushing pharmacies to get more involved with Medication Therapy Management (MTM) for the Part D patients. Expect an increase in calls from pharmacies dealing with these issues for the Medicare D population. For example, CMS only allows 90 Ambien (Zolpidem), classified as a high risk medication, per year. Think about that patient population and how many times that figure is exceeded.

Chronic use of **Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPI)** can lead to a wide range of long term safety concerns due to the malabsorption of calcium and magnesium. The resulting electrolyte imbalances can lead to bone fractures, cardiac abnormalities, increased risk of infections (C.difficile) and community acquired pneumonia, seizures, arrhythmias, hypotension and tetany. Since many PPIs are available over the counter, and with Nexium and Protonix being on the most prescribed medication lists, attention must be paid to how long a patient should utilize these medications.

## New Drugs:

- **Lortab Elixir** has changed formulations due to the APAP 325mg/dose limit.  
Old formula: Hydrocodone 7.5mg/APAP 500mg/15ml.  
New Dose: 10mg/300mg-15ml.
- **Farxiga:** *Dapagliflozin tablets:* For Type 2 Diabetes – increases glucose excretion.



## Generics:

- **Bromday:** *Bromfenac 0.09% solution:* Allergy-related eye symptoms
- **Cymbalta:** *Duloxetine:* Released at the end of December
- **Detrol LA:** *Tolterodine Tartrate 4mg cap:* Anticholinergic for overactive bladder
- **Micardis:** *Telmisartan IR tablet:* For high blood pressure
- **Myfortic:** *Mycophenolic Acid DR tablets:* Anti-rejection medication for transplants

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding any of these topics, contact Jay Needle RPh, Manager, Health Spectrum Pharmacy, LVH-Muhlenberg, via e-mail at [jay.needle@lvhn.org](mailto:jay.needle@lvhn.org) or by phone at 484-884-7004.





# LVHN DIGITAL LIBRARY

## Access Online Medical Resources: Upgrades and New Resource Available through the Digital Library

Upgrades were made to the Access Medicine and Access Surgery platforms, and a new resource – **Access Pediatrics** – will now be available to you from Library Services.

Upgrades include:

- **Smarter Search** – The search algorithm now offers better filtering options to help you easily find the content you need.
- **Responsive Design For Mobile** - Great viewing experience no matter what device you use.
- **Enhanced Custom Curriculum Functionality for Rotation Management** - The curriculum creation process will be easier and allow for quick adaptation to suit your program's needs.

### New Textbooks Available from Access Medicine:

- *Clinical Neuroanatomy, 27e* – New Edition
- *Color Atlas of Family Medicine, 2e* – New Edition
- *Essentials of Clinical Geriatrics, 7e* – New to site
- *Fitzpatrick's Color Atlas and Synopsis of Clinical Dermatology, 7e* – New Edition
- *Gastrointestinal Physiology, 2e* – New Edition
- *Pathophysiology of Blood Disorders, 1e* – New to site
- *QMDT 2014* – New online feature
- *Understanding Clinical Research, 1e* – New to site
- *Understanding Global Health, 2e* – New to site
- *Understanding Teamwork in Healthcare, 1e* – New to site

### New Textbooks Available from Access Surgery:

- *CURRENT Diagnosis & Treatment in Orthopedics, 5e* – New Edition
- *Surgical and Interventional Ultrasound, 1e* – New to site

### Textbooks Available from Access Pediatrics:

- *Atlas of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, 2e*
- *Care of the Jaundiced Neonate*
- *Color Atlas & Synopsis of Pediatric Dermatology, 2e*
- *Color Atlas of Pediatric Dermatology, 4e*
- *CURRENT Diagnosis & Treatment: Pediatrics, 21e*
- *Current Procedures: Pediatrics*
- *Neonatal Cardiology, 2e*
- *Neonatology: Management, Procedures, On-Call Problems, Diseases, and Drugs, 6e*
- *Pediatric Emergency Medicine, 3e*
- *Pediatric Practice: Cardiology*
- *Pediatric Practice: Endocrinology*
- *Pediatric Practice: Gastroenterology*
- *Pediatric Practice: Infectious Disease*
- *Pediatric Practice: Neurology*
- *Pediatric Practice: Ophthalmology*
- *Pediatric Practice: Sports Medicine*
- *Rudolph's Pediatrics, 22e*
- *Texas Children's Hospital Handbook of Pediatrics and Neonatology*

To use Access resources from the Digital Library's Homepage, go to **LVHN Intranet > FIND FAST > Library Services** and click on the appropriate Access database for your needs.

If you have any questions, please contact Library Services at 610-402-8410 or email [LibraryServices@lvhn.org](mailto:LibraryServices@lvhn.org).



# UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

## Update in Cardiology 2014

**Robert O. Bonow, MD, MS**, Goldberg Distinguished Professor of Cardiology and Director of the Center for Cardiovascular Innovation at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and Northwestern Memorial Hospital, will be the guest speaker at **Update in Cardiology 2014**. The conference will be held on **Saturday, March 1**, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in Kasych ECC Rooms 6, 7 and 8 at LVH-Cedar Crest.

To register for this symposium, log on to [www.updateincardiology.com](http://www.updateincardiology.com). If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Anne Marie Crown, Director, Special Cardiac Programs, at 610-402-0783.

## Cardiology Grand Rounds

Cardiology Grand Rounds will be held on **Friday, February 7**, from **Noon to 1 p.m.**, in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest.

**“Surgical Ablation of Atrial Fibrillation”** will be presented by James R. Edgerton, MD, Co-Director, Atrial Fibrillation Center of Excellence, The Heart Hospital Baylor Plano, in Dallas, Texas.

For more information, contact Kathy Gaspari in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-8024.

## Neurology Conferences

The Division of Neurology conferences will be held on Thursdays from Noon to 1 p.m., in the Lehigh Neurology Conference Room, 1250 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Fourth Floor, and video-conferenced to Lehigh Neurology’s Bathgate Office and Kasych ECC Room 4. Topics for February include:

- **February 6 – “Interdisciplinary Approach to Chronic Headaches, Migraines and Occipital Neuralgia”** – Ivica Ducic, MD, PhD, Professor of Plastic Surgery and Neurosurgery, MedStar Georgetown University Hospital
- **February 13 – “Quality Initiative in Neurology”** – Lorraine Spikol, MD, Division of Neurology

For more information, contact Lisa Kacmar, Coordinator, Neurosciences, at 610-402-8375.

## Medical Grand Rounds

Medical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays, from Noon to 1 p.m., in the hospital Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest. Topics for February include:

- **February 4 – “Lumbar Discogenic Pain”** – Jeffrey Radecki, MD, Chief, Division of Physical Medicine-Rehabilitation
- **February 11 – “Update in Palliative Medicine”** – Daniel E. Ray, MD, Chief, Section of Palliative Medicine and Hospice
- **February 18 – “HIV/AIDS ‘Biomedical Intervention’ is the New Catch Phrase”** – Kathleen E. Squires, MD, Professor of Medicine and Director, Division of Infectious Diseases, Thomas Jefferson University

For more information, contact Kathy Gaspari in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-8024.

## Spine Conference

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

The next Spine Interesting Case Conference will be held on **Wednesday, February 5**, in Kasych ECC Room 8 at LVH-Cedar Crest.

For more information, please contact James C. Weis, MD, Co-Chief, Division of Spine Surgery, or Wanda McCardle, Clinical Coordinator, at 610-973-6343.

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LEHIGH VALLEY HEALTH NETWORK

**Save the Date**

**Integrated Health Care Symposium: The Future is Now**

Monday, March 3, 2014  
8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest  
Kasych Family Pavilion  
1200 S. Cedar Crest Blvd.  
Allentown, PA 18103

Symposium materials to follow  
with complete details

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## Pediatric Grand Rounds

The Department of Pediatrics will hold Grand Rounds on Tuesdays at 8 a.m., in Kasych ECC Room 8, unless otherwise noted. Topics for February include:

- **February 4 – Children’s ED topic** – Andrew Miller, MD, Chief, Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine
- **February 11 – “Super Care is Super Cool: Increasing the Value of Children’s Health Care”** – J. Nathan Hagstrom, MD, Chair, Department of Pediatrics
- **February 18 – Ophthalmology/Surgery topic** – Mark Trachtman, MD, Division of Ophthalmology
- **February 25 – Quality topic** – Michael Consuelos, MD, Vice Chair, Department of Pediatrics

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

## Surgical Grand Rounds

Surgical Grand Rounds will be held on the following Tuesdays in February, from 7 to 8 a.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg.

- **February 4 – “Anal Neoplasm”** – Sachin Vaid, MD, Colon-Rectal Surgery fellow
- **February 18 – “Vascular Trauma”** – Victoria Ivanukoff, DO, Surgical Critical Care fellow

For more information, contact Wendy Hess in the Department of Surgery at 610-402-8680.

## 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. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Allentown, on the following dates:

- March 5, 14, 17
- April 3, 16, 17, 23

In addition, a two-day provider course will be held on March 12 and 13, 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:

- March 28, 31
- April 1, 30
- May 6, 30

In addition, two-day provider courses will be held on March 10 and 11, April 10 and 11, and May 13 and 14, 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 - [EMERGENCY MEDICINE INSTITUTE](#). For more information regarding these classes, contact Christine Ash at the Emergency Medicine Institute at 610-969-0299.

## What’s New in Continuing Medical Education?

### **FYI – Upcoming Events**

- **Department of Anesthesiology 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Retreat Conference**  
February 21 to 23, 2014  
Bear Creek Mountain Resort, Macungie, Pa.  
Call 610-402-CARE (2273) to register for this event.
- **Clinical Ethics Series**  
February 17, March 24, April 14, May 5  
Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest  
Register for this event through The Learning Curve
- **Innovations in Education**  
April 9, 2014  
Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest  
For more information and to register, log on to: [www.innovationsined.com](http://www.innovationsined.com)

If you have any questions regarding CME/CNE accreditation, PI CME, or the CE Advisory Board, please contact Jane Grube, Associate Director, Continuing Education, at 610-402-2398.

# WHO'S NEW

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

## Medical Staff

### New Appointments



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**Medical Staff Leadership Appointments**

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**J. Nathan Hagstrom, MD**

Chair

**Medical Directors of Patient Care Units,**

**Laboratories and Programs**

**Neal A. Stansbury, MD**

Medical Director  
LVHN Surgery Center – Tilghman

**Kevin K. Anbari, MD, MBA**

Co-Medical Director – Total Joint Replacement  
LVH-Tilghman

**Kenneth J. Brislin, MD**

Medical Director – Quality  
LVH-Tilghman

**Stephen P. Falatyn, MD**

Co-Medical Director – Spine  
LVH-Tilghman

**Gregor M. Hawk, MD**

Co-Medical Director – Operations  
LVH-Tilghman

**Jeffrey R. McConnell, MD**

Co-Medical Director – Spine  
LVH-Tilghman

**Robert C. Palumbo, MD**

Medical Director – Orthopedic Sports Medicine  
LVH-Tilghman

**Paul F. Pollice, MD**

Co-Medical Director – Total Joint Replacement  
LVH-Tilghman

**James C. Weis, MD**

Co-Medical Director – Operations  
LVH-Tilghman

**Change of Primary Practice**

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**Status Change to Honorary Status**

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Department of Surgery  
Division of Plastic Surgery  
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Department of Medicine  
Division of General Internal Medicine  
From: Affiliate To: Honorary Status

**Resignations**

**Sonya Adam, MD**

Department of Family Medicine  
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**Andrew A. Dormeshian, DMD**

Department of Dental Medicine  
Division of General Dentistry  
(Panossian Facial and Cosmetic Surgery, LLC)

**Kristann W. Heinz, MD**

Department of Family Medicine  
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**Alan B. Leahey, MD**

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(Lehigh Valley Eye Center, PC)

**In Memoriam**

**Robert Wasko, MD**

Department of Surgery  
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**Change of Supervising Physician**

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From: William L. Miller, MD  
To: Carmine J. Pellosie, DO, MPH

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### **Change of Supervising Physician and Additional Supervising Physician and Group**

#### **Jillian M. Diasio, PA-C**

Physician Assistant-Certified  
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Addition of: Lehigh Area Medical Associates of LVPG  
Allentown – Christopher D. Newman, MD

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Addition of: Lehigh Area Medical Associates of LVPG  
Allentown – Christopher D. Newman, MD

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Addition of: Lehigh Area Medical Associates of LVPG  
Allentown – Christopher D. Newman, MD

### **Additional Supervising Physician**

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Addition of: Daniel P. Bitetto, MD

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Addition of: Amy E. Collis, MD

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Addition of: Amy E. Collis, MD

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Addition of: Mohammad F. Khan, MD

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Addition of: Christopher Lupcho, MD

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Addition of: Christopher Lupcho, MD

### **Additional Supervising Physician and Group**

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Addition of: LVPG-Emergency Medicine – Jacob N. Erickson, MD

**Additional Supervising Physician and Group and Removal of Supervising Physician and Group**

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Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner  
(HealthWorks – Richard F. Goy, MD, MPH)  
Addition of: Hematology Oncology Associates – Eliot L. Friedman, MD  
Removal of: Moselem Springs Primary Care – Joselito A. Ouano, MD

**Resignations**

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