



## Progress Notes

# MEDICAL STAFF

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## New Chairman of Pediatrics on Board

The Medical Staff extends a warm welcome to John D. VanBrakle, M.D., new Chairman of the Department of Pediatrics.

Dr. VanBrakle, who began his duties on Monday, August 5, is a graduate of The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Washington, D.C. He completed a four-year Pediatric residency at Children's Hospital National Medical Center, Washington, D.C., where he served as chief resident during his fourth year. Dr. VanBrakle is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics.

In his new position, Dr. VanBrakle will direct the operation of the hospital's pediatrics unit, newborn nursery, neonatal intensive care unit, and outpatient clinics for infants and children. He will also oversee pediatric services in the hospital's shock/trauma and burn centers.

Dr. VanBrakle came to the hospital from Children's National Medical Center where he was Vice President for Medical Affairs since 1988. From 1978 to 1988, he served as Pediatric Education Coordinator at Holy Cross Hospital, Silver Spring, Md.

Dr. VanBrakle is joined by his wife, Debra Lin, along with their children, David and Mollee, who have relocated to the Lehigh Valley area.

### General Medical Staff Meeting Notice

The next General Medical Staff Meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, at 6 p.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site. All members of the Medical Staff are urged to attend.



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## Hospital Outlines Future Direction

The Board of Trustees of HEI/TAH--LVHC has approved a resolution that will reconfigure and consolidate many of the organization's healthcare services over the next decade. The resolution, submitted by the Hospital's Planning Committee, highlights two years of concentrated effort by a Clinical Planning Subcommittee comprised of Board members, physicians and administrators.

"The resolution of the board is the latest step in an evolutionary journey that began in January 1988 with the merger of the two hospitals," observed Michael J. Thompson, member of the Clinical Planning Subcommittee and chairman of the Board.

"We are engaged in developing the hospital of the future. To do that requires that we clearly set our priorities now and organize our healthcare services more effectively so that we maintain a level of quality appropriate for our community," adds Samuel R. Huston, Hospital president and co-chair of the subcommittee.

Key points of the resolution include a goal that the hospital develop clinical services on the basis of strategic service units (SSUs), employing the framework of model community services, model regional services, and model support services within which each SSU shall be developed consistent with the attributes of its service designation.

The resolution calls for the development of model clinical services, the consolidation and realignment of a number of healthcare services at the two hospital sites, and the development of a sound financial plan to carry out the series of initiatives in the plan.

It was stressed that changes will be gradual and over an extended period of time.

According to Mr. Huston, "Our concept of the hospital of the future builds on two ideas. First, that we care in an interdisciplinary way that is centered on the patient. Second, that we establish a continuum of care that begins before and continues after a patient needs a hospital bed. Modern quality medical care often depends on a cooperative effort among physicians from several specialties, other healthcare professionals and organizations, and public and private community agencies. The continuum of care includes preventive care, education, rehabilitation, home care, partial hospitalization, ambulatory care, and outpatient services. Patients receive care in the traditional hospital building, as well as in their homes, businesses and in a variety of other settings as appropriate. Organizing care in this way offers many opportunities to improve quality, reduce cost, and respond to community need."

Mr. Huston says the Board's resolution adopts a long-term site direction for the merged hospital that leads ultimately to consolidation of acute inpatient

care at LVHC site. "I am especially excited about the opportunities for development a TAH site, which include subacute inpatient care and several elements of the continuum that are not now properly addressed in the traditional acute care hospital. Some of these are inpatient rehabilitation, geriatric medical services, partial hospitalization, and ambulatory services. Basic services to the community such as emergency services and clinics will continue."

The actual configuration of each site has not been presented, but the question is the same for both sites, according to Mr. Huston. "How can we offer a model program of healthcare that fits the community need, acknowledges limits on resources, and puts various medical specialists and services together to enhance the quality of care? The cost of care is of great concern to everyone. Realistic planning must be sensitive to the issues of cost and availability of resources."

"The new planning initiatives," Mr. Huston says, "follow the evolving vision of the Hospital to work in partnership with the community and affiliated physicians to direct this unique resource toward ensuring the betterment of healthcare in the region. We also want to continue to join with other healthcare providers to work together to meet the growing and changing healthcare needs of our community."



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

The issue of managed care at our hospital has again surfaced. Until recently, we have been able to practice in a fairly traditional manner in contrast to many other areas where managed care has become well established.

There are several forces combining to require us to take a fresh look at those issues. First, there remains strong sentiment among many of the area's business leaders, our "customers," that managed care is "the way to go." Secondly, there are those on our Medical Staff who view some managed care proposals as a means to expand their practices. Thirdly, managed care is seen by some as a way of increasing our institution's market share.

Currently, there are several third party proposals being presented to members of our Medical Staff including Prudential, Pennsylvania Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and U.S. Health Care (formerly HMO of PA).

These tend to be controversial issues for many of us. However, I believe we are obligated, both for our own needs and those of the institution, to keep abreast of these proposals and their implications.

We have a Managed Care Committee in place to examine these plans closely, and your input is welcomed. Please

communicate your ideas to the Medical Staff Services Office or to a member of the Medical Executive Committee. Our job is to identify and represent the Medical Staff's consensus as fairly as possible.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy summer.

John S. Jaffe, M.D.  
President, Medical Staff

## Semiannual Needs Survey

The Medical Staff Development Plan of TAH--LVHC calls for two semiannual needs surveys to be completed in May and November of each year in order that a review can be made of the clinical specialty needs of the Hospital.

If you perceive any **Active Staff** needs for additional manpower (in either your group, division, or other departments), please contact John W. Hart, Vice President, at 776-8968 to schedule an appointment. If appropriate, you will receive a Medical Staff Development Specification Statement which must be completed in its entirety. Your request will then be reviewed by the appropriate department chairman in consultation with the division and section chief before being presented to the Medical Staff/Allied Health Staff Development Committee of the Board of Trustees.

Your completed request form **must** be received in the Medical Staff Services Office at either site no later than Saturday, September 14, in order that it may be included in this semiannual needs survey which will result in the November 6, 1991 approval of slots.

Mr. Hart is available to assist you and provide any information you may need for completion of this process. He may be reached at 776-8968.

## Parking Changes During Fair Time

Beginning Tuesday, August 13 through Tuesday, September 10, all Fairgrounds parking facilities used by the hospital will be surrendered for the Allentown Fair. During this period, the doctors' lot located on the corner of 17th and Chew Streets will be utilized for patient parking.

Parking for physicians and housestaff during this time will be available in Lot 4/North West Street which is accessible on North West Street and Lot 5/Gordon Street with access on Gordon Street. Photo ID cards will allow access to these lots.

On Wednesday, September 11, the doctors' lot will once again be available for physician use.

Your cooperation during this difficult period is appreciated. If you have any questions or problems, contact E. Gerald Kresge, Director, Security/Parking Management, at 778-2987.

## **KePRO KORNER**

### **Avoiding Unnecessary Peer Review**

by Kenneth M. Nelson, M.D., MPH, Medical Advisor, Office of Inspector General, US Department of Health and Human Services, Rockville, MD

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### **Abandoning Patients**

Sometimes, reviewers cannot tell which physician is responsible for which portion of a patient's care. Although the physician of record may be assumed to be responsible, this is not always so clear. Consultants may be subject to the same concerns as the attending physicians. This may be related to the failure to provide consultation requests or other documentation in the medical record as to the role or responsibility of a consultant.

Reviewer concerns can be reduced if documentation exists as to what the consultant is to do, and the extent of the consultant's continuing responsibility. This can be explicit in the consultation request or in the orders (e.g., Dr. Smith to manage cardiac problems).

Cases are seen which lack an adequate plan of treatment. One may assume that a plan of treatment also requires a knowledge of the patient's status. The reviewer may find a brief

history, an incomplete physical and brief orders. These orders cannot be related to the rest of the medical record. Although the patient may be well known to the physician, the reviewer cannot see a basis for the care as ordered. This occurs because there is not adequate information in the chart. A brief statement as to the reasons for admission and steps planned would avoid such concerns.

### **Adequate Documentation**

There is no substitute for adequate documentation. Reviewers use the medical record to determine if care was necessary and of acceptable quality. Failure to demonstrate necessity and quality may relegate a chart to further review. Avoidance of the annoyance associated with unnecessary review is highly desirable. When the reviewer cannot appreciate with ease what is going on, more questions will be asked. By avoiding misperceptions through proper documentation, unnecessary review can be avoided.

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### **FOR NOW - NO CHANGES IN REQUIREMENTS FOR PHYSICIANS RECOGNITION AWARD...BUT STAY TUNED**

The American Medical Association (AMA) Physicians' Recognition Award, or the equivalent demonstration of CME (Continuing Medical Education) credit is necessary to obtain malpractice insurance in the State of Pennsylvania. Over the past year, the AMA has proposed changes which would require physicians to have specific numbers of hours of Category I and Category II credit.

At the June 1991 meeting of the AMA, the recently proposed changes in the Physician Recognition Award requirements were considered. Resolutions to reverse the proposed changes were offered. The entire matter was referred to the AMA Board for "broad study." **No changes will occur until January 1993**, if they occur at all. Therefore, for the foreseeable future the present (i.e., the old) rules -- 60 hours of Category I credit and 90 hours of other independent study (which might include more Category I) over three years -- should be followed. The Pennsylvania Medical Society requirements are identical to the present AMA requirements.

For more information regarding this issue, please contact Brian Little, M.D., Ph.D., in the Office of Education at 778-1650, or Jeff Greenawalt at the Pennsylvania Medical Society, 1-800-228-7823.

## Laser Safety Policies Receive Approval

At its June 4, 1991 meeting, the Medical Executive Committee approved several Laser Safety Policies to assure the Hospital's compliance with standards required by OSHA and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

Physicians who are currently approved to perform laser procedures will receive copies of each of the approved policies and are urged to become familiar with these policies as compliance will be monitored.

Please be aware that all physicians currently credentialed for these privileges are required to participate in an ophthalmologic examination as defined in the policy for Laser Medical Surveillance no later than November 30, 1991. Any physicians requesting laser privileges will be required to submit a report of such ophthalmologic examination prior to consideration for approval of these privileges.

If you do not receive the above mentioned policies by September 15, or if you need additional information, please contact Emma F. Hooks, Director of Safety, at 776-8518.

## Change in Billing Policy for Blood

Blood is a vital component in a system providing complex

medical treatment which restores good health to the sick and injured in a community. It comes from people who contribute to a program that insures blood will be available for anyone who needs it. In the Lehigh Valley, more than 1,300 blood products are transfused weekly to hospital patients. The members of nearly 800 groups help meet these needs and provide a continuous, safe, and adequate supply of blood. Without the generosity of donors, blood would not be available.

Since Miller Memorial Blood Center opened its doors in 1971, volunteer blood donors have been issued "credits" for each donation. In return, they received assurance that their future blood needs or those of their immediate family would be met. Individuals not covered by a blood plan have been expected to pay for or replace blood that has been used. This has placed an unfair burden on the elderly and others without family or friends able to provide replacement donations.

For these and other reasons, over 90 percent of the blood centers across the nation have eliminated the credit system. They depend on the generosity of people, especially group members, to donate blood for their community. Miller Memorial Blood Center will be adopting this philosophy as well. Effective July 1, 1991, all residents of the Lehigh Valley will have blood coverage simply because they live here. If any member of the family (living in the area or not) is hospitalized where replacement donations are needed, the Blood Center will

continue to release credits as requested. There will continue to be a processing fee charged to all patients who have received blood. This charge covers the costs of recruiting donors, collecting and testing their blood, and sending it to the hospitals in anticipation of needs. This fee is covered by most health insurance policies.

For more information or if you have questions regarding this issue, contact Fran Chizeck, Director of Donor Resources and Community Relations, Miller Memorial Blood Center, at 691-5850.

## Closed Circuit Television now at TAH Site

Thanks to generous contributions from WomanCare and the Richard J. Butz Estate, a closed circuit television system has been purchased for The Allentown Hospital site which will include two patient education channels. Channel 2, which was initiated on July 25, is dedicated to patient teaching videos related to the maternal-child areas. Channel 22, which is planned to be implemented sometime in September, will be used for medical-surgical patient education videos.

Television schedules for Channel 2 are available on all maternal-child nursing units and through patient education. For more information, contact Nursing Education, Patient Education and Research at 778-2495.

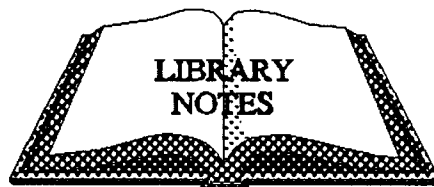
## Arts Advisory Council to Sponsor Fifth Annual Art Exhibition and Sale

The Fifth Annual Art Exhibition and Sale, sponsored by the Arts Advisory Council of HealthEast, will be held September 6-9 in Classrooms 1, 2, and 3 in the Anderson Wing of the LVHC site.

The not-for-profit Council was established approximately five years ago with a mission to foster a healing and therapeutic environment within the hospital through the arts. One of the Council's most successful fund-raising events is its annual art exhibition. Each year, the Council invites regional artists to submit selections of their work for jurying. This year, over 100 original paintings, sculpture, and photography, ranging in price from \$175 to \$3,000, will be on display and available for sale. It is primarily through the proceeds of this one event that the Council is able to add to the collection of Pennsylvania Regional art that brightens the rooms and hallways of our hospital. That collection currently includes over 200 pieces.

Members of the hospital family are invited to a special preview on Friday, September 6, from 3 to 5 p.m. For those who are interested in meeting the artists, a special reception will be held immediately following from 5 to 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served at both events.

Exhibition hours for the remainder of the show are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, September 7; noon to 7 p.m. on Sunday, September 8; and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, September 9. The exhibition is open to the public free of charge. Reservations for the artists' reception, however, are recommended and can be made by calling Gail Evans in the Development Office at 821-3031.



### *MEDLINE News*

NEW memberships for remote access to MEDLINE are temporarily closed. New memberships will be offered when staffing permits. Support for existing subscribers will be limited. The Library staff apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

### *Recent Acquisitions*

At TAH, new books include:

Stone. **Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine: Pretest Self Assessment and Review.** 12th ed. McGraw-Hill, 1991.

Holmes. **Sexually Transmitted Diseases.** 2d ed. McGraw-Hill, 1990.

Boyd. **Practical Gynecologic Surgery: Principles in Practice.** Urban & Schwarzenberg, 1990.

Hall. **Decision Making in Periodontology.** B.C. Decker, 1988.

At LVHC, recent journal acquisitions include:

### **Hastings Center Report Medical Ethics Advisor Journal of Clinical Ethics**

If any of the members of the Ethics Committee wish to donate back issues of any of these publications to the Library, please call Barbara J. Iobst, Director, at 776-8410.

## Medical Staff Reminder

In the event of a patient's death, please remember to inform the family members to contact the Funeral Director as soon as possible after the death. Although this is a very stressful time for the family, it is their responsibility to make these calls.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Nancy Stevens, Patient Representative, at 776-8222.

## News from Outpatient Rehabilitation Services

Connie Holderman, OTR/L, has joined the staff of Outpatient Rehabilitation Services as clinical specialist in hand therapy and burn treatment. In addition to 20 years experience as a registered occupational therapist, Ms. Holderman has over five years experience in acute and rehabilitative care of burns and hands at the LVHC site.

Comprehensive programs available in hand rehabilitation at Outpatient Rehabilitation Services include joint mobilization, isokinetic strengthening, wound care, edema reduction, pain management and therapeutic modalities, splinting, and carpal tunnel rehabilitation programs. Services in garment measurement and orthotic equipment fabrication for scar management are also available.

For more information, contact Outpatient Rehabilitation Services, 1251 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Suite 307, Allentown, at 778-1080.

## New Vendor for Specialty Rental Beds

On July 15, the hospital began using Kinetic Concepts, Inc. as its vendor for the rental of specialty beds. The beds currently rented from Mediscus Co. will continue to be serviced by that company

until they are discontinued.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact Richard L. Benjamin, Director of Purchasing, at 776-8545.



### *Ketorolac Injection (Toradol) Update*

The Hospital has been notified by Roche Laboratories that Ketorolac continues to be available only in limited quantities, a situation which may continue until October. Because of its limited availability, Ketorolac will be supplied by the Pharmacy only to both Emergency Departments (for use on ambulatory patients) and to inpatients who have the drug ordered by physicians with pain management backgrounds. **No other orders will be filled.** This action is necessary in order to assure the availability of the drug for those patients who will most benefit.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact James A. Giardina, Director of the Pharmacy, at 776-8880.

## Student Internship Opportunities for Physicians' Offices

The Allentown Business School Campus of the National Education Corporation plans to offer three programs which may be of interest to physicians' offices. These programs include a nine-month Medical Office Management program, an 18-month Medical Assisting/Secretarial program, and a seven-month program in Medical Assisting. Prior to completion of each program, students are required to complete an internship in a health facility. As an internship is part of each course and is a learning experience for the student, no remuneration is expected.

Any physicians interested in providing an internship opportunity to a student enrolled in one of these programs should contact Mary Wagner, Supervisor, Medical Internship/Externship Program, Allentown Business School, at 791-5100.

### **QUOTE OF THE MONTH**

*"The only limit to how high we can go is how far we can reach."*

## Congratulations!

**William S. Berg, Jr., D.P.M.**, podiatrist, was recently informed that he has successfully passed the examinations required for certification in Foot Surgery and is now a Diplomate of the American Board of Podiatric Surgery.

**William B. Dupree, M.D.**, pathologist, was recently notified by the American Board of Pathology that he passed the Specialty Board Examination in Cytopathology. In addition to his present qualifications in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology, Dr. Dupree now has added qualifications in Cytopathology.

**Gene H. Clausberg, M.D.**, general internist, was recently informed of his election to Fellowship in the American College of Physicians.

**Daniel D. Goldfarb, M.D.**, psychiatrist, was recently notified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology that he passed the examination for certification in the medical subspecialty of Psychiatry with Added Qualification in Geriatric Psychiatry.



**Marsha A. Gordon, D.D.S.**, pedodontist, and her husband, **David A. Gordon, M.D.**, cardiothoracic surgeon, welcomed a baby son on July 24. Baby Harris weighed 4 lbs. 3/4 oz. He has two brothers, Michael and Steven.



**Paul S. Sirota, M.D.**, radiologist, and his wife, Nancy, welcomed their new baby son on June 18. Ari Joseph weighed 5 lbs., 13 oz. at birth and was 19 in. long.

## Publications, Papers and Presentations

**Herbert L. Hyman, M.D.**, gastroenterologist and Senior Consultant in Gastroenterology, spoke at Easton Hospital to the Department of Medicine on July 26. His presentation topic was **Functional G.I. Disorders**.

**Robert B. Kevitch, M.D.**, plastic surgeon, co-authored a paper titled, "Mycobacterial Infection Following Blepharoplasty," which was published in *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery*, Volume 15: 229-232, 1991.

**Brian W. Little, M.D.**, pathologist, presented two papers at the 67th Annual Meeting of the American Association of Neuropathologists, Inc., held recently in Baltimore, Md. The papers included "Increased Incidence of Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease in Northeastern Pennsylvania," and "Infarction of Brainstem, Cerebellum and Posterior Thalamus following Inadvertent Injection of Vertebral Artery with Lidocaine." The first paper was co-authored by Anna Lee DeHaven, R.N., Ph.D., consultant, Lev Goldfarb, M.D., Paul Brown, M.D., and D. Carlton Gajdusek, M.D., of the

National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Stroke, and Dr. Little. The second paper was co-authored by Isidore Mihalakis, M.D., pathologist, and Dr. Little.

**Bruce I. Rose, M.D.**, reproductive endocrinologist, was one of the co-authors of an article, "Abdominal Instillation of High-Molecular-Weight Dextran or Lactated Ringer's Solution After Laparoscopic Surgery," which was published in the July, 1991 issue of *The Journal of Reproductive Medicine*. The other co-authors included Mary M. Kopreski, M.D., Ricardo Larrain, M.D., and Colin MacNeill, M.D., from the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Pennsylvania State University.

## HealthCounts News

HealthCounts, the employee and community wellness program of The Allentown Hospital--Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, has announced its fall schedule of classes and programs which may benefit your patients.

Some of the programs to be offered include:

\* **L.E.A.R.N.**, a 10-week multifaceted approach to successful weight control that is structured around the participant's lifestyle;

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\* **SHAPEDOWN - Child and Adolescent Weight Control**, a 10-week weight control program designed especially for children and adolescents;

\* **Encore Weight Maintenance Program**, a biweekly (five-session) weight maintenance group for individuals who have completed a structured weight control program, yet need continued support to facilitate further behavior change;

\* **Stress, Imagery and Well-Being**, a five-week program in which the participant will explore the many kinds of mental images they hold which can affect their health and will offer the participants the chance to change these images for their own enjoyment and well-being;

\* **Smoke Stoppers**, a nationally recognized, highly successful group program to help participants quit smoking in just five days; and

\* **Smoking Cessation Hypnosis**, a 90-minute group session which focuses on eliminating the thoughts and behaviors that continually support the participant's smoking habit.

In addition, the HealthCounts program also offers individual counseling to assist in-house patients to quit smoking.

For more information on any of these programs, call HealthCounts at 821-2150.

## UPCOMING CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND MEETINGS

### *Regional Symposium Series*

**Fourth Annual Coagulation Symposium: Thrombosis and Antithrombotic Therapies** will be held on Friday, September 20, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site. After attending this program, each participant will be able to list analytes used in diagnosing thrombosis, describe fibrinolysis' role in thrombosis, list at least three thrombolytic agents used to deal with thrombosis, and discuss the pharmacology of heparin and heparin derivatives.

The program will benefit physicians, medical technologists, and laboratory administrators.

**Fourth Annual Cardiovascular Nursing Seminar: New Beats in Cardiology** will be held on Wednesday, September 25, from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site. This one-day seminar will feature a nationally known speaker, author, and researcher on holistic nursing. Experts will present the most current trends in the care of the cardiovascular patient. This seminar is designed for medical/surgical and critical care nurses and allied health professionals desiring to enhance their cardiovascular knowledge.

**Third Annual Neuroscience Symposium: New Directions in Neurological Therapeutics** will be held on Friday, October 4, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in the Auditorium of the LVHC site.

After attending this program, each participant will be able to present current research findings in the neurological conditions/diseases of headache, brain tumors, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease and epilepsy; discuss the impact of these findings upon modern day treatment of these conditions/diseases; and discuss the appropriate use and utility of interventional radiography. This program will benefit physicians, nurses, and other health care workers concerned with neurological diseases.

For more information regarding the above conferences, please contact Human Resource Development at 776-8322.

## Physician Practice Opportunities

\* Monday and Wednesday morning slots are currently available for the Brown Bag suite at Kutztown Professional Center.

\* Kutztown Professional Center is planning a 5,500 square feet addition for Fall, 1991. Office suites available will include medical, dental, legal, and professional.

\* Office Space Available - Share large medical office near LVHC. Fully furnished and staffed. Multiple line phone system. Computerized billing available.

For more information on these practice opportunities, contact John W. Hart, Vice President, at 776-8968.

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\* For Sale - Medical-Professional Office Building on Cedar Crest Boulevard, just minutes from both The Allentown Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital Center sites. Plenty of parking. Ideal for physician.

\* Office space available to share. Private entrance. Ideal for psychiatrist, psychologist, surgeon, etc. New addition, available Fall, 1991, at 825 N. Cedar Crest Boulevard, Allentown.

\* Specialty practice time-share space available in a comprehensive health care facility. Riverside Professional Center, 4019 Wynnewood Drive, Laurys Station. Half- or full-day slots immediately available.

\* Temporary office space available on first floor of Fairgrounds Medical Center, 400 N. 17th Street, Allentown. 380 square feet for one- or two-year lease. Private entrance.

For more information, contact Joe Pilla, POPS Representative, at 778-2780.

## WHO'S NEW

The Who's New section of *Medical Staff Progress Notes* contains an update of new appointments, address changes, newly approved privileges, etc.

Please remember that each department or unit is responsible for updating its directory, rolodexes, and approved privilege rosters.

### Medical Staff

#### Appointments

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**Additional Privileges**

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Division of Family Practice  
Pediatric Privileges

George W. Hartzell, MD  
Department of Surgery  
Division of General Surgery  
L a s e r L a p a r o s c o p i c  
Cholecystectomy Privileges

Peter A. Keblish, MD  
Department of Surgery  
Division of Orthopedic  
Surgery/Trauma  
Laser Privileges

Susan E. Kostenblatt, MD  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Family Practice  
Pediatric Privileges

Kenneth P. Skorinko, MD  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Internal Medicine  
Section of Cardiology  
Cardiac Catheterization Privileges

Rosalie R. Snyder, MD  
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Section of Cardiology  
Cardiac Catheterization Privileges

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Department of Medicine  
Division of Family Practice  
Pediatric Privileges

Anthony M. Urbano, MD  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Internal Medicine  
Section of Cardiology  
Cardiac Catheterization Privileges

Toeruna S. Widge, MD  
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Acupuncture Privileges

**Change of Status**

Sam Bub, MD  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Family Practice  
From Courtesy to Provisional  
Active

Donald H. Gaylor, MD  
Department of Surgery  
Division of Cardiothoracic  
Surgery  
From Courtesy to Emeritus  
Courtesy

Laura S. Kramer, DO  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Internal Medicine  
Section of General Internal  
Medicine  
From Provisional Courtesy to  
Provisional Active

John B. Kucharczuk, MD  
Department of Obstetrics and  
Gynecology  
From Courtesy to Emeritus  
Courtesy

Raymond P. Seckinger, MD  
Department of Psychiatry  
From Courtesy to Emeritus  
Courtesy

John G. Steciw, DMD  
Department of Dentistry  
Division of Orthodontics  
From Active to Consulting

**Resignations**

Iris A. Brossard, MD  
(Robert M. Roeshman, DO)  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Neurology

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Melchior L. Buscemi, MD  
(Valley Urology Group, PC)  
Department of Surgery  
Division of Urology

Michael L. Dunn, MD  
(Emergency Care Associates of Allentown)  
Department of Emergency  
Medicine  
Division of Emergency Medicine

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Division of Internal Medicine  
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**Hospital Address Change**

The hospital has received notification from the Post Office that the official address for The Allentown Hospital site is 1627 Chew Street, Allentown, PA 18102. Please make a note of this change for future use. In addition, all physicians who have their office locations at The Allentown Hospital have had their addresses changed to 1627 Chew Street. Please make these changes in your Medical Staff Directory.

**Allied Health Professionals**

**Appointments**

Margaret Dorney, CRNA  
Physician Extender  
Professional - CRNA  
(TAH Anesthesiology Department)

Linda Grant, CRNA  
Physician Extender  
Professional - CRNA  
(TAH Anesthesiology Department)

Suzanne Lindenmuth, CRNA  
Physician Extender  
Professional - CRNA  
(TAH Anesthesiology Department)

Michelle Rebert, CRNA  
Physician Extender  
Professional - CRNA  
(TAH Anesthesiology Department)

Raymond Yedlock, CRNA  
Physician Extender  
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Our commitment is to quality in everything we do. This can only be achieved if we provide services that conform to clearly understood requirements. We are dedicated to continuous improvements in our work processes. Our approach is based on "Prevention" and the concept of "Do it right the first time."  
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