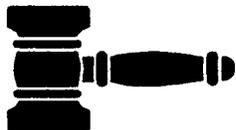


Medical Staff Progress Notes

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From the President

We enthusiastically welcome Elliot J. Sussman, M.D., as our new President and CEO. Dr. Sussman brings knowledge and experience in the many areas of health care facing our hospital and Medical Staff. We are confident that Dr. Sussman will provide the leadership and inspiration needed to meet the challenges of health care in the 1990s. Our appreciation and thanks to Irwin Greenberg, Dick Fleming, and Frank Ryan for assuming the duties of the Office of the President. Their dedication to the hospital is clearly evident by the many hours they devoted in keeping our institution operating in a forward direction.

physician payment rates by mid-October. Work on network development to create a hospital system for the PHO and a Care Management Program will be initiated in September. Hiring of staff is also slated for September.

I hope your summer is going well!

Joseph A. Candio, M.D.
President, Medical Staff

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Our Managed Care Committee continues its diligent work. Bylaws have been finalized for the IPA and the PHO. Work is now beginning on the Provider Participation Agreements, and, hopefully, information packets will be available in the next several weeks. Complete sign-up and capitalization is targeted for September 30. We plan to finalize our payment methodology for hospitals and physicians and develop proposed hospital rates by mid-September and

Meeting Notice

A meeting of the General Medical Staff will be held on Monday, September 13, beginning at 6 p.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78.

All members of the Medical Staff are urged to attend.

New President and CEO Named

On Wednesday, August 4, the hospital's Board of Trustees unanimously voted to name Elliot J. Sussman, M.D., as the new president and chief executive office (CEO) of Lehigh Valley Hospital. For the first time in its nearly 100 year history, Lehigh Valley Hospital will be led by a chief executive officer who is also a physician. Dr. Sussman will begin his duties as CEO on September 1.

Dr. Sussman received his medical degree in 1977 from Harvard University, School of Medicine and his graduate degree from the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania in 1981. He completed his medical residency and fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine where he also served as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar.

After completing his MBA, Dr. Sussman was appointed director of clinical practice for the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP) Section of General Medicine.

Concurrently, he was appointed as assistant professor of medicine. In 1982, he also took on responsibility for the hospital's Health Evaluation Center which offered programs in disease prevention, exercise, and wellness.

Dr. Sussman later served as associate administrator for HUP and as director of HUP's Clinical Effectiveness Program which evaluated costs and outcomes of care for each department and service. Following this, he served as the first Executive Director of Clinical Practices of the University of Pennsylvania's 600 physician practice organization at HUP.

Dr. Sussman was most recently associate dean of the Biological Sciences Division of Pritzker School of Medicine, University of Chicago. He also had a faculty appointment at the University and was one of only two physicians from the University to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Chicago Hospitals and of Weiss Memorial Hospital in Chicago.

As associate dean of the biological sciences department at Chicago, Dr. Sussman planned and managed clinical programs. He also developed and oversaw both on-site and off-site clinical activities of the 500-member faculty medical group which included both primary care and specialty physicians; contractual marketing to businesses and third-party payors; continuing medical education; risk management; housestaff program reviews; clinically related investigations; and billing for professional fees.

Dr. Sussman is a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine and a member of numerous professional and scientific societies. He co-authored a book, **Medical Care of the Surgical Patient**, and has completed numerous chapters, editorials, reviews, and original papers on medical and administrative issues in health care.

A native of Clifton, N.J., Dr. Sussman is married and has two young children. His wife, Jody Carr, is a writer who has published novels for young adults. The Sussman family plans to move to the Lehigh Valley during the summer.

Metamorphosis in Radiology/New Chairman Named

Over the past several years, a number of significant changes have taken place in the Department of Radiology/Diagnostic Medical Imaging. In July, 1988, when the merger of the Medical Staff took place, the decision was made to rotate the chairmanship of the department each year between the Chairman at 17th & Chew and the Chairman at Cedar Crest & I-78. Walter J. Dex, M.D., was named Chairman of the Department of Radiology/Diagnostic Medical Imaging in July, 1988. Dr. Dex served as Chairman of the Department of Radiology of the former Allentown Hospital from 1973 to 1988.

Then, in July, 1989, Michael H. Geller, M.D., was named Chairman of the Department of Radiology/Diagnostic Medical Imaging. Although Dr. Dex was scheduled to resume the chairmanship of the department following Dr. Geller's term, Dr. Dex declined in order to maintain continuity of leadership. Dr. Geller continued as Chairman until June, 1993. Dr. Geller also served as Chairman of the Department of Radiology of the former Lehigh Valley Hospital Center from 1976 to 1988. He and Michael Stamatakos, M.D., who served as the first Chairman of the Department of Radiology of Lehigh Valley Hospital Center, from 1974 to 1976, opened the Department of Radiology at the new hospital in August, 1974. With no staff, no equipment, and no supplies, they were given a month, until September 16, 1974 when the hospital officially opened, to start the department. Today, with 18

radiologists and 154 staff members, the department certainly has come a long way.

According to Dr. Geller, "Radiology has totally changed its character from a passive film reading department to a highly sophisticated invasive specialty. The things we are doing now were not even in anyone's imagination when we opened. Almost all of the invasive procedures we do today were not done in 1974. Ultrasound was not clinically used, CT was just a dream, and MRI wasn't even a thought!"

In January, 1993, another milestone was reached. Members of ASH Radiology Associates, Inc. (the physician corporation at Cedar Crest & I-78) and Allentown Radiological Association (the physician corporation at 17th & Chew) joined forces to form Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley, providing professional radiology services at both Lehigh Valley Hospital locations, Lehigh Valley Diagnostic Imaging, and Kutztown Medical Imaging.

With the formation of this new corporation, the changes in hospital management, and having devoted a major part of his life to the Department of Radiology leaving little time for his family, Dr. Geller felt it was an appropriate time to step down as Chairman of the Department.

On July 1, 1993, Mark A. Osborne, M.D., began his duties as Chairman of the Department. A graduate of the

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University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine, Chicago, Ill., Dr. Osborne completed an internship in Internal Medicine at St. Mary's Medical Center, San Francisco, Calif., followed by a four-year Diagnostic Radiology residency at Duke University Medical Center, Durham, N.C. Dr. Osborne completed a Magnetic Resonance Imaging fellowship at New England Medical Center and Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, Mass. He is certified by the American Board of Radiology.

Dr. Osborne joined the hospital's Medical Staff in 1987. He has been the Director of the Lehigh Magnetic Imaging Center since 1989.

As Chairman of the Department, Dr. Osborne sees more changes for the department in order to keep up with the changing pace of medical care being mandated by Washington's health care reform.

"In order to provide both economical and excellent radiology care for our patients, we will need to function as a 'lean and mean' department in order to handle the large volume of patients and films," said Dr. Osborne. "We in radiology realize our increasing role as members of a large team of doctors who get their patients in and out of the hospital quickly and efficiently." he continued. "Another area we are looking at is the development of very high quality pediatric radiology," he added.

Dr. Osborne and his wife, Shirley A. Nylund, D.M.D., Director, Dental Residency Program, Lehigh Valley

Hospital, reside in Macungie with their two daughters, Allison and Kirsten.

Good Luck, Dr. Osborne, with your upcoming challenges. Also, a sincere Thank You to Dr. Dex and Dr. Geller for their strong leadership as Chairmen of the Department of Radiology/Diagnostic Medical Imaging.



As an addendum to the list of Division and Section Chiefs and Unit/Lab Medical Directors in last month's newsletter, following are the Directors for Health Network Laboratories:

Health Network Laboratories

Laboratory Directors

David G. Beckwith, Ph.D.

- *Clinical Lab Director, Health Network Laboratories*
- *Technical Director, Microbiology/Virology*
- *Co-Director, Flow Cytometry*

Bala B. Carver, M.D.

- *Medical Director, Transfusion Medicine and HLA*

Gerald E. Clement, Ph.D.

- *Technical Director, Chemistry, Endocrinology, Immunology, and Toxicology*

William Dupree, M.D.

- *Medical Director, Cytopathology*

Brian W. Little, M.D., Ph.D.

- *Division Director, Neuropathology*
- *Co-Director, Flow Cytometry*

David Prager, M.D.

- *Medical Director, Hematology and Coagulation*

John J. Shans, M.D.

- *Chairman, Department of Pathology*

Two New Trauma Surgeons on Board

The Department of Surgery is pleased to announce the addition of Mark Cipolle, M.D., Ph.D., and Michael Pasquale, M.D., to the Trauma/Surgical Critical Care Service. Both come to the hospital following a two-year Critical Care fellowship at the University of Minnesota which included one year of research in Trauma and Multiple Organ Dysfunction Syndrome.

Dr. Cipolle graduated from the University of Illinois with his Ph.D. in 1983, and M.D. in 1986. He completed his surgical residency at the University of Illinois, Chicago, Cook County and West Side VA Hospitals.

He and his wife, Mary, have settled in Emmaus with their four children, Katherine, Parker, Natalie, and Olivia.

Dr. Pasquale is a graduate of Bethany College, West Virginia, and a 1986 graduate of Georgetown University where he also completed his surgical residency. He and his wife, Cindy, moved to Allentown with their two daughters, Lauren and Caitlin.

Drs. Cipolle and Pasquale will also be working with Dr. Kamal Shah in his general surgery practice.

Parking During Fair Month

In anticipation for the Allentown Fair, beginning Tuesday, August 17, through Monday, September 13, all Fairgrounds parking facilities will be surrendered. During this period, patients and visitors will utilize the doctors' lot located on the corner of 17th and Chew Streets.

Parking for physicians and housestaff will be available in the following parking lots:

- Lot #4/North West Street - Access on North West Street
- Lot #5/Gordon Street - Access on Gordon Street

Please use your photo I.D. card to access these lots.

Your cooperation is appreciated during this difficult period.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact Louis Geczi, Security Manager, at 402-2986, or page Security at 402-8999.

Consolidation of Admitting and Outpatient Registration at 17th & Chew

In a continuing operational improvement effort, effective Friday, August 6, the Admitting Department and Outpatient Registration area at 17th & Chew will be consolidated into one office. The new office will be located on the ground floor in the areas previously occupied by Outpatient Registration and the OB/GYN Clinic (to the left of the Outpatient entrance off of 17th Street).

Inquiries regarding inpatients or outpatients can be made through one telephone number -- 402-2217. The previous main number for Outpatient Registration has been deleted.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact John A. Horoski, Director, Access Services, at 402-8340.

News from Medical Records

Effective September 1, the following forms will require the signature of the physician who has either given a verbal/telephone order or documented on the form:

- Emergency Department Record (DEM-36) - formerly the Continuity of Care sheet
- Trauma Resuscitation Record

Failure to sign either of these forms will result in a chart deficiency which could ultimately lead to suspension of privileges and denial of payment for the ordered testing by insurance companies.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact Zelda B. Greene, Director, Medical Record Department, at 402-8330.

Nursing Guidelines for Physician Calls Approved

In an effort to make life a little easier for physicians, the Medical Executive Committee recently approved **Nursing Guidelines for Physician Calls**. These guidelines include appropriate information regarding who to call, how to call, what to call, and when to call.

As a reminder to physicians, when placing a page, give the main number of the floor. Leave your name with the unit clerk and stay near the telephone. If it is necessary to leave the nurses' station, inform the unit clerk where you will be. Try to make sure that the telephone line is kept open.

PHAMIS LastWord Training Classes

Following are the dates of classes which have been scheduled by Information Services for PHAMIS LastWord training for physicians, residents, and allied health personnel.

Tuesday, September 7 - 17th & Chew,
School of Nursing, first floor

Tuesday, October 5 - 17th & Chew,
School of Nursing, first floor

Tuesday, November 2 - Cedar Crest &
I-78, Anderson Wing, third floor

Tuesday, December 7 - Cedar Crest &
I-78, Anderson Wing, third floor

All classes will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. To schedule a slot in a class, please contact Diann Brey in Information Services at 402-1400.

If you have any questions regarding class content, please contact Mary Sabo, I/S Physician Liaison, at 402-1423 or pager 5696.

Parenteral Antibiotic Order Sheet

Since its inception in March, 1992, the Parenteral Antibiotic Order Sheet (PAOS) has served to assist the prescriber in proper antibiotic ordering practices as well as to enhance the efficiency of antibiotic utilization review programs throughout the institution. The presence of the PAOS in its specified area of the patient chart and the proper use of it by the physician assures the success of this program.

It has been brought to the attention of clinical pharmacy services that many physicians have not been using the PAOS, at times, due to the fact that it has not been present on the patient chart. If such a situation occurs in the course of prescribing parenteral antibiotics, please ask the unit clerk for more order sheets. This will succeed both in promoting effective use of the PAOS and in reminding the unit clerk to check the patient charts to assure an

adequate supply of the order sheets. Directors of Patient Care Services at both sites have been asked to review PAOS policy with their respective unit clerks to reinforce the importance of this program.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions about the PAOS or problems with its proper utilization, please contact one of the clinical pharmacists at 402-8880.

Tip of the Month

There is less to fear from outside competition than from inefficiency, discourtesy and bad service inside your organization.

Peripheral Nerve Stimulation Protocol Approved

On May 4, the Special Care Committee approved the protocol for **Peripheral Nerve Stimulation with Non-Depolarizing Neuromuscular Blockade**. This protocol provides guidelines to assist one in selecting the most appropriate non-depolarizing agent. It allows the practitioner to monitor the neuromuscular junction with a peripheral nerve stimulator so the drugs can be titrated to patient response. Therefore, lower doses of non-depolarizing neuromuscular blockers will be used which can produce cost savings.

The protocol and Guidelines for Use of the Peripheral Nerve Stimulator are in the Critical Care Procedure Manual under "P". If you have any questions or would like a copy of the protocol, please contact Maria Barr, Clinical Pharmacist, pager 1105; MaryJean Osborne, Trauma Clinical Nurse Specialist, pager 1429; or Sharon Smith, Trauma Coordinator, pager 1507.

New/Revised Administrative Directives Approved

Two Administrative Directives were recently approved and are now included in the Administrative Policy Manual. The policies include:

AD 1500.12- Prescription Pads

Hospital prescription pads will be kept in a secure location at all times. Physicians are responsible for the security of their personal prescription pads.

AD 6300.25 - HIV Antibody Testing of Members of the Medical Staff

HIV antibody testing will be available to all physicians based on request or as the result of an occupational exposure. Testing and management of the results will be handled in a confidential manner. All testing will be conducted only following informed, written,

voluntary consent. Occupational exposures shall be managed in accordance with Act 148, which allows for testing of the source patient.

The above policies are available in their entirety in the Administrative Policy Manual which you may review in Medical Staff Services.

Smoking Cessation services are available to your patients, both inpatient and outpatient.

For more information, contact the Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Department at 821-2152.

The Guidance Program Relocates

The Guidance Program, which provides short-term, outpatient treatment services for a range of emotional problems, has moved to 1255 S. Cedar Crest Boulevard, Suite 3800, Allentown. This new, larger location is in the same office building complex as the program's former site, across from Cedar Crest & I-78. The telephone number, 402-5900, remains unchanged.

According to Susan D. Wiley, M.D., medical director of The Guidance Program, "We outgrew our office space. In addition to more physical space in our new location, we are expanding our services, adding to our staff, and increasing our business hours."

The program's staff now includes four psychiatrists, two psychologists, and four master's level mental health professionals, who see patients Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Guidance Program treats patients with a wide range of complaints, the most common being depression, anxiety, and difficulty coping with a loss or life crisis. Confidential care is provided in a comfortable atmosphere of trust and security.

The goals of the program are to help patients understand their problems, to overcome symptoms of emotional distress, to develop necessary coping skills, and to regain a joy in living. Adults, adolescents, children, and families are treated at The Guidance Program.

Depending on their specific needs, patients see one or several mental health professionals. They may receive individual counseling, and may participate in group or family therapy. If necessary, medical is prescribed.

For more information about The Guidance Program or to make a referral, please contact Thomas Lane, Ph.D., at 402-5900.

News from Research

A call for abstracts has been issued by the American Heart Association for the following meeting:

- 34th Annual Conference on Cardiovascular Disease Epidemiology to be held on March 16, 1994 in Tampa, Fla. Submission due date is October 14, 1993.

For instructions, forms, and further information, please contact Kathleen Moser in the Research Department at 402-8889.



LIFESAVERS

by Donna Petrucelli, R.N.

Magnesium Update

Hypomagnesemia is no longer ignored as a cause of potentially fatal arrhythmias. Common causes of hypomagnesemia include alcoholism, diarrhea, malnutrition, gastric suction, malabsorption, bulimia, diuretics, hypercalcemia, acute tubular necrosis, aldosteronism, postobstructive diuresis, and laxative abuse.

The new ACLS guidelines address the role of hypomagnesemia in recurrent and refractory ventricular fibrillation and ventricular tachycardia. Magnesium administration has been found to be beneficial even when magnesium levels are normal. Because

it is an intracellular cation, there is a poor correlation between serum magnesium levels and intracellular levels. Decreased intracellular magnesium results in an increased concentration of intracellular potassium, causing the cell to become excited. Furthermore, potassium deficits cannot be successfully replenished until low magnesium states have been corrected.

According to ACLS guidelines, the recommended loading dose is 1 to 2 grams (or 8-16meq) diluted in 50 to 100cc of D5W. For ventricular fibrillation and ventricular tachycardia, 1 to 2 grams is diluted in 100cc of D5W and is infused over 1 to 2 minutes. Magnesium administration is also the treatment of choice for Torsades de Pointes. The antidote for hypermagnesemia is calcium gluconate.

Decisions! Decisions! Decisions!

Everyone is always asking us to make decisions. How do we make decisions about the end of life? What do we tell our patients about writing advance directives? DNRs? Are we sure we really understand their true intentions and feelings? Do other health care providers have the same problems?

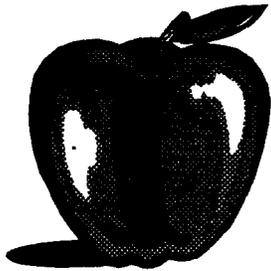
Lehigh Valley Hospital invites you to attend the Decisions Near the End of Life Program to discuss these issues with other physicians and health care providers. This is a national program developed by the Education Development Corporation of Boston, Mass., and the Hastings Center and is endorsed by the American Hospital Association and the American Medical Association.

Sessions begin in September and each session consists of four modules. Sessions will again be offered with the medical residents at 17th & Chew on the first four Wednesdays of each month, beginning September 1, from noon to 1 p.m., in the O.R. Conference Room.

At Cedar Crest & I-78, a session which offers one module per month, from September 7 to December 15, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., has also been scheduled.

Night shift sessions at each site are also planned. For more information or to register, please contact Gail Brunst in the Critical Care Office at 402-8450.

*Clinical
Nutrition
News*



Water - A Nutrient in the Elderly

by Devayani Modak, M.S., R.D.

The next time you walk into an elderly patient's room, try to lift the 32 oz. water cup. Is it too bulky to be picked up? Can the patient reach it? Is the patient alert enough to sense it?

The elderly are particularly vulnerable to dehydration as sensitivity to thirst and kidney function decreases with age. There are a series of studies which indicate that quite clearly. In one study young and older subjects underwent fluid deprivation for 24 hours. In marked contrast to the younger subjects, one elderly subject denied any thirst and drank nothing while others showed no increase in thirst or mouth dryness after deprivation.

Common problems seen with hospitalized and nursing home elderly patients are:

- Access and assistance to free water
- Suboptimal free water flushes for patients who are on high nitrogen and calorically dense tube feeding formulas (1.5-2 Kcal/cc)
- Patients on dysphagia diets with only thick liquids allowed (secondary to risk of aspiration) receiving no intravenous fluids

- Debilitated patients with diminished mental status with inability to express thirst

- Frequent diarrhea/vomiting

- Fever

- Medications (i.e., certain types of diuretics)

- Polypharmacy

A general recommendation by the National Academy of Sciences - National Research Council is one milliliter of water per calorie consumed or baseline fluid needs for elderly patient age 55-65 to be calculated as 30ml/kg/day age, > 65 years as 25ml/kg/day.

Even simple strategies can improve fluid intake in elders:

- smaller glasses to be available

- specific free water flushes to be ordered when patient is on tube feeding

- intravenous fluids for dysphagia diets with thick liquids or no liquids

- monitoring of body weights

Pool Trust Approves Funds to Hospital

Recently, the Pool Trust funded \$7,934 to support **Youth Enrichment Partnership 2000**, a two-year program

geared toward economically disadvantaged and minority youth and

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their families in addressing their health and educational needs. Each year-long program, jointly sponsored by Lehigh Valley Hospital and Penn State University, Allentown Campus, includes a summer academic experience, in-school tutoring, and Saturday academic workshops for up to 20 youths. Each year, the sixth-grade students will spend two weeks at Lehigh Valley Hospital, in a summer "camp" experience emphasizing writing as a key to learning. The focus is on health education and exposure to health care opportunities, through reading, writing, audio-visual programs, and contact with health care professionals from Lehigh Valley Hospital.

A Lehigh Valley Hospital Board of Trustees - Ethics Education proposal was approved for \$10,000. This program will enable the hospital board to focus on the ethical responsibilities of trustees.

Speakers' fees for this year's **Regional Symposium Series Transition Funding Year** will be provided by the Trust. This is the fifth year of Trust funding for this program which will consist of a series of 20 symposia to be presented at Lehigh Valley Hospital between July, 1993 and June, 1994. The subject and speakers of the programs have been selected by a steering committee in conjunction with staff physicians, nurses, and allied health professionals. Audiences will generally consist of physicians, nurses, allied health professionals, clergy, and hospital administrators. The \$20,000 of Trust funds available to support this program is part of the large education effort supported by the Trust of the years.

The Pool Trustees released \$127,895 from the **Institutional Research Fund** to support protocols recommended by the Research Advisory Committee. These protocols include:

- **Nonlinear Dynamic Approaches to Modeling, Detection and Prediction of Focally Originating Epileptic Seizures**, principal investigator: Alexander Rae-Grant, M.D. - \$26,875

- **The Role of Hindlimb Injury in the Development of Early Systemic Inflammation and Lung Injury: Using the Isolated, Perfused Rat Hindlimb and Isolated, Perfused Rat Lung Models**, principal investigator: Mark Cipolle, M.D., Ph.D. - \$34,120

- **Effect of CD11/CD18 Monoclonal Antibodies in Attenuating White Blood Cell Mediated Injury in the Isolated Rat Kidney**, principal investigator: Michael D. Pasquale, M.D. - \$27,820

- **Clinical Research Assistant**, principal investigator: James Reed III, Ph.D. - \$30,000

- **Graphic Epidemiological Research of Health Sciences Data**, principal investigator: Thomas Wasser, M.Ed. - \$9,080

The Pool Trust agreed to support a **National Resident Data Collection Study- OB/GYN** in the amount of \$40,000. These funds will be used to develop a program for a trial data collection system in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. A preliminary program evaluation of the system will be completed by March, 1994.

Publications, Papers and Presentations

Peter A. Keblish, M.D., chief, Division of Orthopedic Surgery, presented a scientific paper, **Patella Resurfacing vs. Non-Resurfacing: A Prospective Analysis of 408 Total Knee Arthroplasties with 2-10 Year Follow-Up**, at the International Arthroscopy Association Meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark. Dr. Keblish is an active member of the International Knee Society and has contributed to its scientific programs in the past. The Society is the largest Knee Society in the world, encompassing virtually all countries of the civilized world.

Dr. Keblish is the Director of the Orthopedic Learning Center at Lehigh Valley Hospital which has also been a visitation site for demonstration of joint implant surgery. Lehigh Valley Hospital has been part of the multi-center study in the use of **Moveable Bearing Total Knee Implants**, one of the newest technological advances in total knee arthroplasty. The scientific presentation represented an ongoing analysis of the multi-center study.

David Prager, M.D., chief, Division of Hematology/Medical Oncology, and Medical Director, John and Dorothy Morgan Cancer Center, co-authored an article, **A Review of the Clinical Indications for the Plasma Heparin Assay**, which was published in the May, 1993 issue of the *American Journal of Clinical Pathology*.

Dolores M. Sarno-Kristofits, Ph.D., psychologist, recently returned from delivering a presentation at the 24th Annual International Congress on Psychology in Santiago, Chile, held July 4 to 9. Dr. Kristofits presented with other trauma specialists from Texas, New Hampshire, and Columbia in a symposium on American Approaches to Trauma and Disaster. Her topic, translated in Spanish, was the treatment of sex offenders and victims of child physical and sexual abuse.

Upcoming Seminars, Conferences, and Meetings

Psychiatry Grand Rounds

Psychiatry Grand Rounds will be held on Thursday, August 19, from noon to 1 p.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, 17th & Chew.

Couples Therapy will be presented by Gerald R. Weeks, Ph.D., Director of Training, Marriage Counsel of

Philadelphia, Division of Family Study, University of Pennsylvania Department of Psychiatry.

As lunch will be provided, pre-registration is requested. To register, contact Lisa in the Department of Psychiatry at 402-2810.

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Regional Symposium Series V

Laboratory Medicine: Management of the Oncology Patient will be held on Friday, September 17, from 8:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78.

Physicians, nurses, medical technologists, cytologists, histotechnologists, and other health professionals interested in laboratory medicine will benefit from the program.

At the completion of the program, participants should be able to:

- discuss the application of tumor markers
- describe the use of laboratory data for diagnosis/treatment/prognosis of the oncology patient
- list common infections diagnosed in the oncology patient
- explain the use of DNA ploidy studies

Sixth Annual Cardiovascular Nursing Seminar: New Beats in Cardiology will be held on Wednesday, September 22, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78.

Nurses, nursing administrators, and other health care professionals interested in a cardiovascular update will benefit from this program.

This one-day seminar will feature a nationally known speaker on collaborative practice. Experts will present the most current trends in the care of the cardiovascular patient.

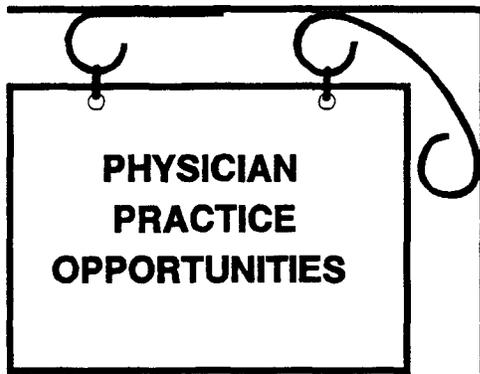
Fifth Annual Neuroscience Symposium: Neurological Complications of Medical Disease will be held on Friday, October 15, from 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Auditorium of Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78.

Physicians, nurses, and other health professionals concerned about neurological complications of medical disease will benefit from this program.

At the completion of the program, participants should be able to:

- describe current research findings with clinical application for neurological complications of sepsis, diabetes, and cancer
- discuss current diagnosis and treatment of headache
- discuss neurological complications in the cardiac patient

For more information regarding the above seminars, please contact Human Resource Development at 402-4609.



- For Sale or Lease -- Springhouse Professional Center, 1575 Pond Road. Ideal for physician's office. Approximately 2,500 sq. ft. Will finish space to specifications.
- For Sale or Lease -- Medical-professional office building on South Cedar Crest Boulevard, just minutes from Cedar Crest & I-78 and 17th & Chew. 3,560 total sq. ft. Ample parking, security/fire alarms installed. Ideal for physician group.
- For Sale -- Office building at Northeast corner of 19th and Turner Streets in Allentown. Upper level - 2,400+ sq. ft., large waiting room, two large consultation rooms, five exam rooms, etc. Lower level - 2,300+ sq. ft. Parking lot for 16 cars.
- For Lease -- Medical-professional office space located on Route 222 in Wescosville. Two 1,000 sq. ft. offices available or combine to form larger suite.
- For Lease -- Large, newly remodeled, completely furnished medical office space available for subleasing/time share at Cedar Crest Professional Park. Top of the line telephone system. Transcription and computer system with electronic billing available.
- For Lease -- Medical office space to sublet in MOB 1 at Lehigh Valley Hospital, Cedar Crest & I-78.
- For Lease -- Medical office space located in Peachtree Office Plaza in Whitehall. One suite with 1,500 sq. ft. (unfinished - allowance available), and one 1,000 sq. ft. finished suite.
- For Lease -- Medical office space located in Southeast Allentown near Mountainville Shopping Center.
- For Lease -- Slots are currently available for the Brown Bag suite at Kutztown Professional Center.
- For Lease -- Share large medical office near Cedar Crest & I-78. Fully furnished and staffed. Multiple line phone system. Computerized billing available.
- For Lease -- 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.
- For Lease -- Professional office space available in an established psychology and psychotherapy practice at 45 North 13th Street, Allentown. Large, warm Victorian building in a relaxed atmosphere. Secretary and billing available and included in some leases. Furnished or unfurnished full offices and sublets available. Utilities included.

For more information or for assistance in finding appropriate office space to meet your needs, contact Joe Pilla, Physician Relations Rep, at 402-9856.

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.

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Change of Status

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From Courtesy to Emeritus Courtesy

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Division of General Internal Medicine
From Consulting to Emeritus
Consulting

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**Department of Dentistry -
Appointment to Division of
Special Care**

George F. Carr, DMD
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Care

Resignation

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