

# Progress Notes

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# HCAHPS UPDATE

Congratulations to the entire LVH-Muhlenberg campus. Through HCAHPS survey responses, our patients recognized that site in January as a top decile facility. Excellent patient experience was delivered even with particularly high patient volumes. Physician communication was improved but remains a challenge.

HCAHPS – FY'15 January Scores					
	LVH	National Percentile		LVH-M	National Percentile
Rate Hospital	72.2% responses were 9 or 10 out of 10	51 <sup>st</sup>		83% responses were 9 or 10 out of 10	91 <sup>st</sup>
Communication with Doctors	79.1% responses were "always"	32 <sup>nd</sup>		78.2% responses were "always"	26 <sup>th</sup>

There are not too many people in healthcare that have room to add more tasks to their day. So how do you worry about communication without having the time? Recently, E.J. Rovella, Program Manager for HCAHPS, had the chance to observe Eric B. Lebby, MD, Chief, Division of Orthopedic Surgery, on 7 Kasych. During his observation, Mr. Rovella witnessed the following key skills performed by Dr. Lebby:

- He sat down
- Communicated a plan
- Referenced the work of the Advanced Practice Clinician

- Made physical contact
- Quick personal connections
- Anticipated concerns such as pain
- Let patients know he was available to the nursing staff, if necessary

7K's Physician Communication is at the 86<sup>th</sup> percentile.

For support or questions regarding this article, please contact E.J. Rovella, MBA, MHA, FACHE, Program Manager for HCAHPS, at [ernest\\_j.rovella@lvhn.org](mailto:ernest_j.rovella@lvhn.org) or by phone at 610-969-4230.

# PHYSICIAN DOCUMENTATION

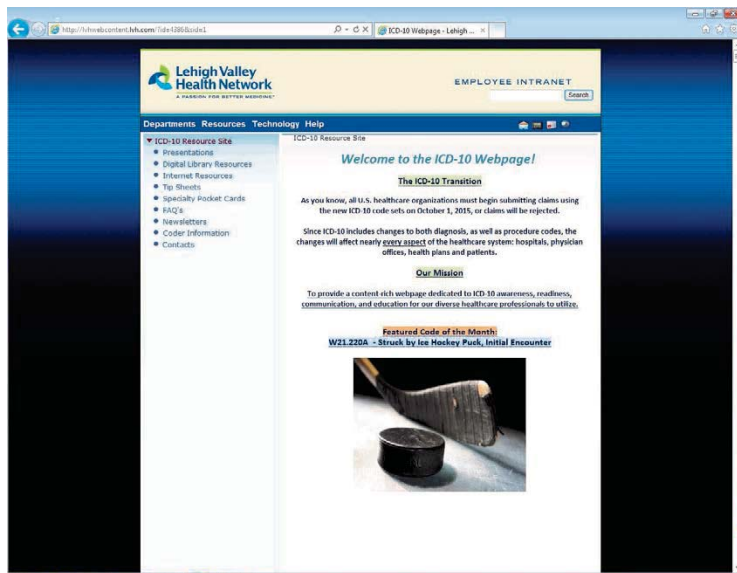
## Next Up . . . ICD-10

Recently, while the focus of our attention has been the Wave 1 EPIC go-live, soon that focus will need to shift to ICD-10. There are significant resources currently available to assist providers in documenting for ICD-10 specificity. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the resources outlined below.

### 1) LVHN INTRANET

- Specialty-specific PPT presentations with most used codes
- Printable Tip sheets
- 3" x 5" specialty pocket cards
- Websites, articles, and more

Please click on "ICD-10 Resource Site" on the home page of the LVHN Intranet site in the right hand column under Clinical Resources.



### 2) LIVE SPECIALTY-SPECIFIC PRESENTATIONS


These will be coordinated through your Division/Department. Please plan to attend when these are announced, beginning in the spring.

### 3) 3" x 5" SPECIALTY ICD-10 GUIDES/POCKET CARDS

These will be available for every major specialty and will be distributed at the live presentations. They will contain brief documentation concepts for the top diagnoses and procedures for each specialty.


**ICD-10 GUIDE for INTERNAL MEDICINE (INPATIENT)**

- AFib** ⇨ Acuity (Chronic or Paroxysmal)
- AFlutter** ⇨ Type (Typical or Atypical)
- Asthma** ⇨ Severity and Type
- Atherosclerosis** ⇨ Type of vessel (Native or Bypass) & w/angina?
- Bronchitis, acute** ⇨ Causal organism/agent
- Cancer** ⇨ Specific type, primary or secondary, laterality
- Cardiomyopathies** ⇨ Type (Dilated/restrictive)
- Cellulitis** ⇨ Specific site and laterality
- Cirrhosis** ⇨ w/ascites?
- Diverticulitis, acute** ⇨ Complication (w/perf and/or abscess?)
- DM** ⇨ Type, complication, specific manifestation



**ICD-10 GUIDE for INTERNAL MEDICINE (INPATIENT)**

- Drug Underdosing** ⇨ Reason (financial, disability, dementia, etc.)
- DVT** ⇨ Vessel and laterality
- Epilepsy/Seizure** ⇨ w/status epilepticus?
- MI** ⇨ NSTEMI or STEMI, artery affected, initial or subsequent
- Pancreatitis, acute** ⇨ Cause/etiology
- Pressure Ulcer** ⇨ Site and laterality
- PVT** ⇨ Specify if Re-entry
- Respiratory Failure** ⇨ Type (Hypoxic or Hypercapnic)
- Sepsis** ⇨ Causal organism
- Stroke** ⇨ Type, artery affected, laterality



### 4) EPIC ICD-10 CALCULATOR

EPIC Wave 1 ambulatory providers will be gaining experience with this easy-to-use tool built into your EPIC workflow. This will also be available for the inpatient providers.

If you have any questions, please contact John Pettine, MD, FACP, CCDS, Director, LVHN Clinical Documentation Improvement Program, at [john.pettine@lvhn.org](mailto:john.pettine@lvhn.org).

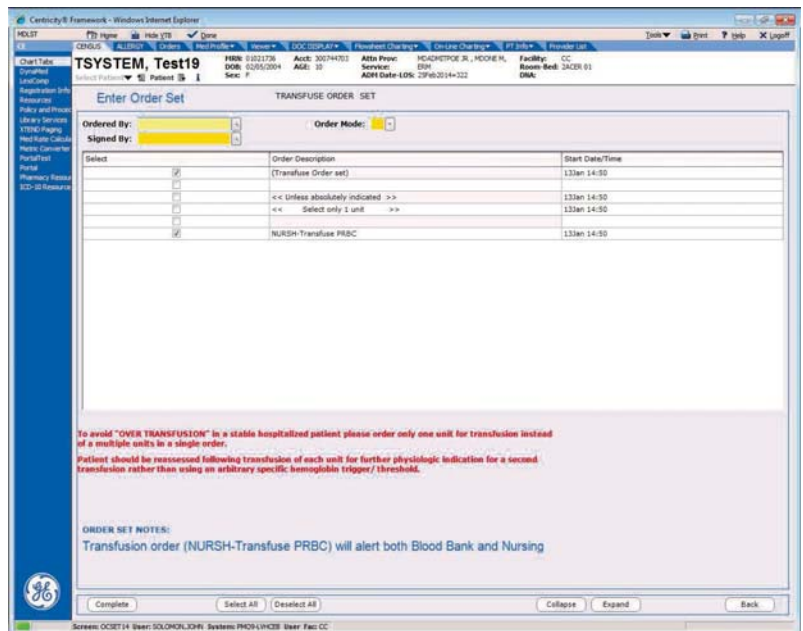
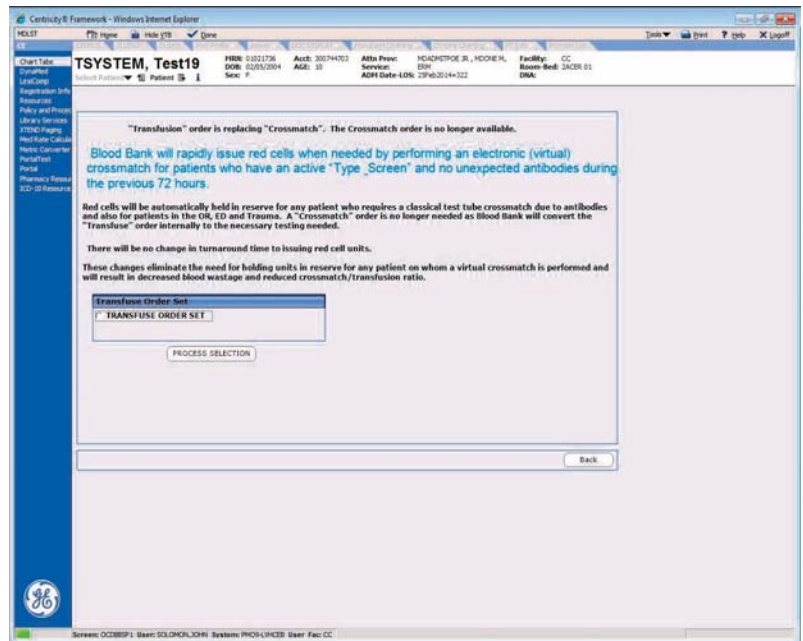
# CMIO UPDATE

## Ordering Blood – No Need to Hold Cross matched Units

It is a common practice that physicians cross match multiple units of PRBC's from Blood Bank in anticipation of transfusion, however, experience has shown that typically only one unit is used in most cases (excluding OR and Trauma cases). This can sometimes cause problems for Blood Bank inventory logistics (i.e., cross matched PRBCs cannot be given to other patients immediately because it is "on hold" for a designated patient), which can prolong the shelf time of the red cells and decrease their quality if not used promptly. There has been many advances in blood matching technology, essentially eliminating the need for a "test tube cross match" multiple units and have them "on hold" in Blood Bank. Now, a Type and Screen (which is valid for 72 hours) is all that is needed, and PRBC's can be ready within minutes of placing the transfusion order. If a patient is identified to have antibodies on Type and Screen, the Blood Bank will continue to do the "test tube cross match" and hold these special units in reserve.

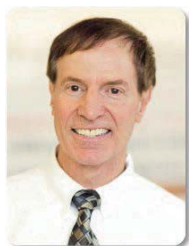
Consequently, beginning in April 2015, the "cross match" orders from the Blood Bank and blood ordering lists and order sets will be eliminated. The new order set will only contain the "Transfuse PRBC" order. This order, which will notify both Blood Bank and the Nursing Unit, will contain the detail fields that were previously found on the "cross match" order. The "Type and Screen" order will continue to be found in the Blood Bank list.

These new orders will streamline the process for ordering PRBC's and will decrease the ordering of unnecessary blood products. This process change is for non-urgent elective transfusions and will not affect OR/trauma/ED and whenever urgent transfusions are needed.



If you have any questions, please contact Bala B. Carver, MD, Chief, Section of Transfusion Medicine and HLA, at [bala.carver@lvhn.org](mailto:bala.carver@lvhn.org), or Shuisen (Jason) Li, DO, Section of Hospital Medicine, at [shuisen.li@lvhn.org](mailto:shuisen.li@lvhn.org).

# CONGRATULATIONS



**Joseph C. Bognet, DO**, Department of Family Medicine, was recently awarded recertification in Family Medicine by the Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists of the American Osteopathic Association following the recommendation by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians. Dr. Bognet has been a member of the Medical Staff since December, 1999. He is in solo practice at Bognet Medical Associates, PC, in Allentown.

## THE RETAIL PHARMACY VIEW

### Narcotic Prescriptions

Narcotic prescriptions for pain will be coming under increased scrutiny. Pennsylvania may be joining other states that have a Prescription Drug Monitoring program that provide the names of patients, providers and the amount of narcotic drugs that are being dispensed. To help improve medication use in non-cancer chronic pain patients, a stepwise approach is recommended. The goal should be to improve function, not just reduce the pain. Patients need to understand that eliminating pain is sometimes not possible and a 30% improvement in pain and function is more realistic. Some pain management practitioners wonder if long-term opioid use is warranted in treating chronic pain and the long term benefit is overridden by the possible harms of misuse and overdose.

Start with an NSAID or APAP for muscular-skeletal pain and a tricyclic or anticonvulsant (Gabapentin) for neuropathic pain. Also encourage physical therapy and treatment for co-morbidities like depression. If pain is not controlled, begin with a low dose short acting opioid along with the original recommendations. Oxycodone 5mg every 4-6 hours as needed is a good starting point. A long acting opioid, like Oxycontin, increases the risk due to the higher doses and longer duration. Combining opioids and benzodiazepines or muscle relaxants exacerbates the effects and increase respiratory depression and sedation.

Suggest tapering off opioids if pain and function do not improve, if there are indications of abuse or the side effects are significant. The goal for weaning off is a 10-20% reduction weekly. Consultation with or a recommendation for a pain management provider is also a good choice with a chronic user. For the post-surgery, post-accident, acute debilitation or cancer patient, pain control is of utmost importance and should not be tempered; only for the chronic user/abuser does usage need to be re-examined.

### New Drugs

#### Triumeq Tablets:

*Abacavir 600mg/  
Dolutegravir 50mg/  
Lamivudine 300mg.*

For HIV-1 infection.

**Flonase Nasal Spray:** *Fluticasone*. Now available over the counter. However, most insurance companies are still covering it.



### New Generics

**Focalin XR 10mg cap:** *Dexmethylphenidate ER 10*

**Mirapex ER 0.75 and 1.5mg tablets:** *Pramipexole*. The immediate release form has been out for some time.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this information, 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

## Resources for Pediatric Information

Have you been trying to find current information or evidence for treating an infant or child? Try using some of the resources easily accessible from the Digital Library Homepage or the Mobile Library website:

- **Access Pediatrics:** Integrated online resources to Pediatric medical and surgical information. Search Pediatric textbooks, videos and animations, board review materials, a differential diagnosis tool, links to guidelines, and an integrated drug database.
- **Pediatric Care online:** American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) clinical information including AAP Textbook of Pediatrics, signs/symptoms search, point of care reference, Bright Futures well child topics, and patient education handouts.
- **Electronic Medical textbooks:** Over 225 electronic medical textbooks specific to treating children. Go to the library catalog to search the collection.
- **DynaMed:** Over 100 evidence-based monographs specifically for pediatrics. *Mobile app is available.*
- **Pepid:** Pediatric information covering life support, trauma, anatomic, systemic, and other topics. Drug information including summaries, trade/generic drug lists, toxicology, interactions, pediatric dosing with built-in dosing calculators (weight-based, body surface area-based), and IV drip rate calculators. Extensive collection of interactive clinical decision calculators.

- **Clinical Key:** Search Pediatric textbooks, journals, images, videos, and Procedure Consult videos.
- **VisualDx:** Diagnostic decision support system for diagnosis of visually identifiable diseases. For day-to-day clinical diagnosis, emergency preparedness, and medical education. *Mobile app is available.*

The Digital Library resources are accessible anywhere within the network, through WebSSO, the mobile library website, and Centricity Enterprise. To access the Digital Library's Homepage, go to **Find Fast/Library Services**.

If you have any questions on using any of the library resources, please contact Library Services at 610-402-8410.

## PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS



**Alexander M. Rosenau, DO**, Senior Vice Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine, was a co-author of an article – “Creating ED point-of-care testing protocols: an expert panel and Delphi process” – which was ePublished ahead of print on December 18, 2014 in the *American Journal of Emergency Medicine*.



**Thomas V. Whalen, MD, MMM**, Chief Medical Officer, was a co-author of an article – “Effects of the reduction of surgical residents’ work hours and implications for surgical residency programs: a narrative review” – which was published in *BMC Medical Education* 2014, 14 (Suppl 1):S14, December 11, 2014.



**Indru T. Khubchandani, MD**, former member of the Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery with Honorary status, was an invited speaker at the annual meeting of the Association of Surgeons of India held December 27-30, in Hyderabad, India. Dr. Khubchandani participated in a panel on “Sphincter and Surgeon” and gave a lecture on “Incontinence – A New Approach.”

# ADVANCED PRACTICE CLINICIAN UPDATE

## Four Physician Assistants Earn National Recognition

Four certified physician assistants (PA-Cs) at Lehigh Valley Hospital are among a group of only 240 nationally who recently earned a specialty credential called the Certificate of Added Qualifications (CAQ) from the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA).



*Shannon Diallo*



*Jillian Diasio*



*Shawn Reynolds*



*Justin Stauffer*

**Shannon N. Diallo, PA-C**, and **Jillian M. Diasio, PA-C**, received CAQs in Hospital Medicine, and **Shawn C. Reynolds, PA-C**, and **Justin M. Stauffer, PA-C**, were awarded CAQs in Emergency Medicine. They are among 33 certified Physician Assistants in Pennsylvania and approximately 800 certified PAs nationally to earn a CAQ since the program's inception in 2011. The CAQ is a distinction earned by meeting licensure, education and experience requirements and then passing a national exam in the specialty.

CAQs are offered to certified PAs in cardiovascular and thoracic surgery, emergency medicine, orthopedic surgery, nephrology and psychiatry, and for the first time in 2014, hospital medicine and pediatrics.

Shannon, who has been a member of the Allied Health Professional staff since September, 2012, is in practice with LVP Hospital Medicine at Cedar Crest. Jillian, also in practice with LVP Hospital Medicine at Cedar Crest, has been a member of the Allied Health Professional staff since November, 2010. Shawn is in practice with LVP Hospital Medicine and has been a member of the Allied Health Professional staff since October, 2008. Justin, also in practice with LVP Hospital Medicine, has been a member of the Allied Health Professional staff since August, 2009.

## Know the State Law: A Review

All health care personnel who are authorized to diagnose and treat disorders and disabilities must report to PennDOT within 10 days any person over the age of 15 years as having a condition that could impair his/her ability to drive.

Below is a brief review of the reporting criteria:

### Physical Criteria:

- Visual acuity less than 20/70 (after correction) and field of vision standards
- Hearing requirements (for school bus drivers only)
- Seizure disorder
- Unstable diabetes
- Cardiovascular conditions
- Cerebral vascular insufficiency
- Periodic episodes of loss of consciousness and/or awareness
- Loss or impairment of joint or extremity
- Rheumatic, arthritic, orthopedic, muscular, vascular or neuromuscular disease expected to last longer than 90 days
- Use of any drug or substance that is known to impair skill or function

### Mental Criteria:

- Cognitive impairments
- Inattentiveness to the task of driving because of, for example, preoccupation, hallucination or delusion
- Contemplation of suicide, as may be present in acute or chronic depression or in other disorders
- Excessive aggressiveness or disregard for the safety of self or others or both, presenting a clear and present danger

The above information is from the State Medical Reporting Center. For additional information regarding detailed reporting criteria or how to report please access:

<http://www.dmv.state.pa.us/centers/medicalReportingCenter.shtml>

## APC Quarterly Meeting

The Advanced Practice Clinicians Quarterly meeting will be held on **Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.**, in the **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest**. The meeting will also be teleconferenced to **ECC Room A at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

All members of the Advanced Practice Clinician staff are encouraged to attend. Join your colleagues for light refreshments, updates and educational presentations.

If you have any questions regarding these topics, please call 610-402-APC1 and leave a message.

# UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

## General Medical Staff Meeting

The quarterly meeting of the General Medical Staff will be held on **Monday, March 9**, beginning at **6 p.m.**, in **Kasych ECC Rooms 7 and 8** at **LVH-Cedar Crest** and teleconferenced to **ECC Rooms C and D** at **LVH-Muhlenberg**.

An **Epic Update** will be presented by Donald L. Levick, MD, Chief Medical Information Officer, and information regarding **Interpreter Services** will be presented by Veronica Sanchez, Practice Director, Center for Women's Medicine.

All members of the Medical Staff are encouraged to attend.

## GLVIPA General Membership Meeting

The next general membership meeting of the Greater Lehigh Valley Independent Practice Association (GLVIPA) will be held on **Monday, March 23**, beginning at **6 p.m.**, in the hospital's **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest**, and teleconferenced to **ECC Room B at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

"Maintenance of Certification (MOC) – Does it Help or Hurt the Medical Profession?" will be presented by Andrew L. Schlafly, Esq., General Counsel, Association of American Physicians and Surgeons.

For more information, please contact Mary Ann Curcio, Coordinator, GLVIPA, at 610-969-0423.

## Cardiology Grand Rounds

The next Cardiology Grand Rounds will be held on **Friday, March 6**, beginning at **Noon**, in the hospital's **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest** and teleconferenced to **ECC Room D at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

"Lightheadedness, Dizziness, Syncope" will be presented by Mark S. Link, MD, Professor of Medicine, Tufts University School of Medicine.

For more information, contact Nancy Schmidt in the Department of Medicine at 484-862-3180.

## Family Medicine Grand Rounds

Family Medicine Grand Rounds will be held on **Tuesday, March 3**, beginning at **7 a.m.**, in **Kasych ECC Room 10** and teleconferenced to **ECC Room A at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

"The Preoperative Medical Evaluation in Primary Care" will be presented by Jennifer L. Stephens, DO, Division of General Internal Medicine.

For more information, contact Tammy Winterhalt in the Department of Family Medicine at 484-862-3100.

## Medical Grand Rounds

Medical Grand Rounds – Choosing Wisely will be held on **Tuesday, March 3**, beginning at **Noon**, in **Kasych ECC Rooms 6 and 7 at LVH-Cedar Crest** and teleconferenced to **ECC Room B at LVH-Muhlenberg** and the **VTC Room at 17<sup>th</sup> and Chew**.

"Diagnosing Dementia" will be presented by Catherine M. Glew, MD, Chief, Division of Geriatrics, and Anne M. Yawman, MD, Division of Geriatrics/General Internal Medicine.

For more information, contact Nancy Schmidt in the Department of Medicine at 484-862-3180.

## Neurology Conferences

The Division of Neurology conferences are held on Thursdays, from Noon to 1 p.m., in the LVP Neurology-1250 Cedar Crest Conference Room and videoconferenced to LVP Neurology-Muhlenberg. Topics for March include:

- **March 5 – "Antiplatelet Therapy"** – Bryan W. Kluck, DO, Division of Cardiology
- **March 12 – "Research Study/Stroke Study Update"** – Lorraine J. Spikol, MD, Division of Neurology

For more information, contact Angeline Regis, Coordinator, Comprehensive Stroke Center and Neuroscience, at 610-402-9008.

## 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, March 4**, in **ECC Room 1** (adjacent to the Library) at **LVH-Cedar Crest**.

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

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## Stroke Conference

A Stroke Conference – “Race to Save Brain – FAST Recognition and Treatment in the Acute Phase of Stroke” will be held on **Thursday, March 12**, from **4 to 9:30 p.m.**, in **Kasych ECC Rooms 6, 7 and 8**. The cost of the conference is \$30.

For more information, contact Angeline Regis, Coordinator, Comprehensive Stroke Center and Neuroscience, at 610-402-9008.

## Surgical Grand Rounds

Surgical Grand Rounds will be held on **Tuesday, March 3**, from **7 to 8 a.m.**, in the **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest** and teleconferenced to the **First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

“Introduction to the Enhanced Recovery after Surgery (ERAS)” will be presented by Pat Toselli, DO, Division of General Surgery, and Thomas M. McLoughlin, Jr., MD, Chair, Department of Anesthesiology.

For more information, contact Wendy Hess in the Department of Surgery at 484-862-3265.

## 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 16
- April 15, 21, 22
- May 11, 29

In addition, two-day provider courses will be held on March 11 and 12, and May 7 and 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute.

### **Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)**

PALS renewal classes will be held from 8 a.m. to Noon, at the Emergency Medicine Institute on the following dates:

- March 24, 27
- April 29

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.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Women Physicians' Affinity Group

(whose mission is “to engage, mentor and facilitate opportunities for networking among female medical students, residents, fellows and female faculty”)

Date: April 9, 2015    Time: 5:30 – 8 p.m.

Location: Kasych ECC Room 7 and 8

The program will include something “SELECT” in honor of the Class of 2015 as well as a “Woman of the Hour” introduction and closing “Mindfulness” exercise.

# 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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### Leadership Appointments

#### Department of Pediatrics

**Jarret R. Patton, MD**

Chief, Division of General Pediatrics

**Marybeth Browne, MD**

Medical Director  
Pediatric Trauma Program

**Debra D. Esernio-Jenssen, MD**

Medical Director  
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Program

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### **Name Change**

Jennifer M. Lindenmuth, MD changed to  
**Jennifer M. LeGar, MD**  
OACIS Services  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Palliative Medicine and Hospice

### **Practice Changes**

**Noel D. Brouse, DO**  
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To: Catasauqua Family Medicine  
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Active

**Susan J. Kucirka, MD**  
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Active

**Robert F. Malacoff, MD**  
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(LVP Cardiology-1250 Cedar Crest)  
Active

**Marie S. Wagener, DO**  
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Supervising Physician – Mark H. Auerbach, MD

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