

# Progress Notes

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## *Save the Date!*

Mark your calendar! The date and place for the next Physician Recognition Dinner have been set — **Saturday, April 2, 2016**, in the Musikfest Café at SteelStacks in Bethlehem.

Plan to attend the event to celebrate with your colleagues and recognize those who will be celebrating 25 and 50 years of service on the hospital's Medical Staff. Stay tuned!

# NEW FOUR-STORY PAVILION PLANNED FOR LVH-MUHLENBERG



In response to high demand for health care throughout the region and requests from community members to provide obstetrics and newborn services in the Bethlehem area, Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) is planning construction of a new four-story pavilion on the Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)-Muhlenberg campus in Bethlehem.

The new pavilion will include obstetrics and newborn services that will accommodate about 2,000 deliveries annually. These services will be the first in LVH-Muhlenberg's 54-year history. The new pavilion also will include a Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation and shell space to accommodate future growth.

The cost of the project is \$93.6 million. Groundbreaking is tentatively planned for September 2015, with the building expected to be open by July 1, 2017. The construction costs will be paid through a combination of capital funding from LVHN and philanthropic gifts from community members. The project is expected to create about 225 new construction jobs and about 185 new patient care jobs at LVH-Muhlenberg.

The new pavilion will offer 161,000 square feet of space. Floors two and three will be reserved for obstetrics and newborn services, which will include:

- A mother-baby unit with 20 private rooms
- A nursery with 16 bassinets
- A Level II NICU with 10 private rooms
- Eight state-of-the-art labor, delivery and recovery rooms

- Two operating rooms
- Five obstetrics triage beds
- A three-bay post-anesthesia care unit area
- A four-bed antepartum unit

Floor one will be home to the Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation-Muhlenberg. It will include 28 rehabilitation beds and is similar to the Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation-Cedar Crest currently under construction inside the Kasych Family Pavilion at LVH-Cedar Crest.

The fourth floor of the new pavilion will be shelled and reserved for potential future growth. The project also will include increased parking and improvements on Schoenersville Road between Macada Road and the Route 22 east on ramp.

The new pavilion will be built on the south side of the campus, and will be connected to the main hospital through the existing South Tower lobby and the former hospital cafeteria. The project calls for the removal of the Banko Community Center, which is used for conference space, community events and for behavioral health programs. The conference space for community events will be incorporated into renovations to the LVH-Muhlenberg south lobby that are a part of this project. The behavioral health program will relocate to 2710 Schoenersville Road.

# EPIC UPDATE

## Epic: Wave 2 Training. No Training, No Access, No Kidding

In preparation for the Epic Inpatient Implementation on August 1, 2015, all providers who are credentialed at Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) will need to attend their appropriate training track. This part of LVHN's Epic transformation shifts from ambulatory settings to inpatient, and will affect:

- Lehigh Valley Hospital – Cedar Crest,
- Lehigh Valley Hospital – 17th Street
- Lehigh Valley Hospital – Muhlenberg
- LVHN – Tilghman
- Hospital Outpatient Departments

Epic training will introduce you to LVHN's new integrated EMR and the application you will work in. During training, you will become familiar with where things are located on the screen and begin to understand how the new application will affect your current workflows at LVHN.

On April 22, 2015, the Epic team released your assigned training in the Learning Management System called The Learning Curve (TLC) in order for you to register. Training dates are scheduled June 1 – July 31, 2015. Classes are held 24/7 at the Epic Training Center on the fifth floor at One City Center in downtown Allentown.

Important Note – if you do not see any classes listed in your TLC To Do list or have any questions regarding your training assignments, call the helpline at 610-402-EPIC, option 4. Please note that this is a voicemail system. Leave the following information and a member of the Epic Training Team will return your call, generally within 24 hours:

- Your name
- Lehigh Valley Health Network User ID
- Phone number

Providers who need access to Epic will need to complete their training – NO EXCEPTIONS. Providers who are not credentialed at LVHN will not require training at this time. Please stay tuned for future communication.

For more information regarding Epic, please contact Michael Sheinberg, MD, Medical Director, LVHN Epic project, at [michael.sheinberg@lvhn.org](mailto:michael.sheinberg@lvhn.org).



## LVHN DIGITAL LIBRARY

### Classes and Training – We're Here to Help!

In addition to the thousands of resources available through the Digital Library, Library Services also offers training and classes at a variety of levels. The staff of Library Services can help you find the information you need quickly and accurately.

Classes can be found on the Digital Library website by clicking on the [Training and Classes](#) link in the blue navigation menu on the left. It gives detailed descriptions and dates the classes are offered. You can register through The Learning Curve (TLC).

Instructor-led classes are: *Orientation to the Digital Library* (an overview of Library Services and the resources available through the Digital Library web site); *Evidence-Based Literature Searching* (including a prerequisite online module, this course teaches literature searching skills using EBSCO Medline and CINAHL with a brief overview of evidence-based practice and developing PICO questions); *Extreme Googling* (learn some of the tips, tricks and tools for using Google). An *Author's Rights* class and an *Images* class are also offered.

Additionally, medical librarians are available for patient care and research consultations (appointments recommended), help with literature searching, or other library services.

From the Employee Intranet, you can access the Digital Library – **LVHN Intranet > FIND FAST > Library Services**.

For more information, contact Library Services at 610-402-8410 or via email at [LibraryServices@lvhn.org](mailto:LibraryServices@lvhn.org).

# CONGRATULATIONS



**Thomas G. Brandecker, MD**, Division of General Internal Medicine/Geriatrics, was recently recertified in Geriatric Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine. He is also certified in Internal Medicine by the same board. Dr. Brandecker has been a member of the Medical Staff since June, 1991. He is in practice with Adult Medicine & Geriatric Associates.



**Nidhi Mehta, MD**, Division of Cardiology, was recently certified in Cardiovascular Disease by the American Board of Internal Medicine. She is also certified in Internal Medicine by the same board. Dr. Mehta has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2014. She is in practice with LVPG Cardiology-Muhlenberg.



**Pradeep Dhakarwal, MD**, Division of Nephrology, was recently certified in Nephrology by the American Board of Internal Medicine. He is also certified in Internal Medicine by the same board. Dr. Dhakarwal has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2014. He is in Practice with Valley Kidney Specialists, PC.



**Steven A. Scott, MD**, Section of Hospital Medicine, was the recipient of the *Professional Excellence Council Physician Friends of Nursing Award* which was presented at LVHN's annual Friends of Nursing 2015 celebration held on May 7 at SteelStacks in Bethlehem. Dr. Scott has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 1985. He is in practice with Valley Independent Hospitalist Group.



**Prabhakar R. Gundappu Reddy, MD**, Division of Pain Medicine, was recently certified in Pain Medicine by the American Board of Anesthesiology. He is also certified in Anesthesiology by the same board. Dr. Gundappu Reddy has been a member of the Medical Staff since December, 2013. He is in practice with Pain Specialists of Greater Lehigh Valley, PC.



**Sharmila C. Subaran, MD**, Division of Endocrinology, was recently certified in Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism by the American Board of Internal Medicine. She is also certified in Internal Medicine by the same board. Dr. Subaran has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2014. She is in practice with LVPG Endocrinology-1243 Cedar Crest.

## ADVANCED PRACTICE CLINICIAN UPDATE

### Recognition of Achievement



Congratulations to **Carol K. Carbone, CRNP**, with the Anticoagulation Management Service, for obtaining certification from the National Certification Board for Anticoagulation Providers. Certification requires an extensive process including documentation of 750 hours of active anticoagulation patient management and passing a comprehensive exam demonstrating achievement of advanced knowledge and skills in anticoagulation therapy. Carol is one of only 474 people nationwide who have completed this prestigious certification.

Carol has been a member of the Allied Health Professional staff since September, 2010. As a nurse practitioner with the Anticoagulation Management Service, Carol cares for more than just cardiac patients on anticoagulation. She also manages patients on anticoagulation for thromboembolic disease who have been referred by their family practice or from the hospital and have established care with the Anticoagulation Management Service. The Anticoagulation Management Service, which cares for approximately 1,800 patients, consists of a team of two nurse practitioners and six nurses.

### Reminder – APC Quarterly Meeting

The next Advanced Practice Clinician Quarterly meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 25, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.**, in Kasych ECC Room 8 at LVH-Cedar Crest, teleconferenced to ECC Room A at LVH-Muhlenberg.

All Advanced Practice Clinicians are encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming meeting, please contact Gloribel Nieves in Medical Staff Services at 484-862-3904.



# THE RETAIL PHARMACY VIEW

## Is there a right way to take Levothyroxine?

There are some *myths* as to the right time and conditions to take Levothyroxine that has led to confusion and hardships for patients. Adherence and consistency are key and if a change occurs, a blood level to test TSH should be done in 4-8 weeks.

- *Levothyroxine must be taken in the morning on an empty stomach.* This is ideal, but it can be taken at night 4 hours after the last meal when the stomach is empty. Ask the patient if they get up to visit the bathroom in the middle of each night. This can be a great time to take the medication. If this is not possible, adjust the dose to the patient's regular routine.
- *Other medications must be separated from Levothyroxine by 4 hours.* Absorption is reduced if taken with certain medications, calcium, iron, or phosphate binders. Ideally, the 4 hour window is best. If this is not possible, try to keep the routine regular and adjust the dose accordingly.
- *Levothyroxine products should never be switched.* Even though the products are bioequivalent and, therefore, substitutable by Law, there are some who question if they are therapeutically equivalent. Most pharmacies will carry the same generic manufacturer of Levothyroxine so the TSH blood level will remain consistent. This is a great reason why patients should use only one pharmacy. If the Levothyroxine generic has changed for the patient, taking another TSH blood level in 4-8 weeks is again recommended.

## New Drugs:

- Toujeo 300u/ml Solostar Pen:  
*Insulin Glargine:*  
Long acting human Insulin analog for glycemic control. *A more concentrated form of Lantus.*
- Cresemba 372mg Inj & 186mg Capsule:  
*Isavuconazonium Sulfate:* An azole antifungal for adults to treat invasive aspergillosis and mucormycosis.

## Generics:

- Abilify 2, 5, 10, 15, 20 & 30mg tablets:  
*Aripiprazole*

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



# ETHICS CORNER

## Comments on “Why I Hope to Die at 75” (Part Three of Three)

by Joseph E. Vincent, MD, Section of Palliative Medicine and Hospice

Atul Gawande, a surgeon and writer in Boston, in his recent book, Being Mortal, describes the dilemmas many of us face growing old and frail, a curse resulting from the blessing of living longer. He eloquently reflects the reluctance of most of us to accept the confinement, regimentation, and dependence which will confront many of us before we die. There is “no place like home” is engrained in our being, especially after living an active and productive life, sometimes for fifty or more years in the same abode in the same community. He describes the difficult decisions which some of his patients and family members have had to make, and the different ways they dealt with these problems.

Some writers have labeled us a death-denying society, perhaps justifying Ezekiel Emanuel’s term “American Immortals.” It seems we are much more open in today’s world to talk openly and freely about sex, but still have an implicit taboo about discussing death and dying, even though we know at some level we all will die. Some people accept death with equanimity and are at peace, while many of us “Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night.”

“Palliative Care: An Ethical Obligation” was a paper written by Stephanie Paulus for the Mark Kula Center for Applied Ethics. As an ethics intern, she found the palliative care team an invaluable resource in meeting the complex needs of hospitalized patients. She emphasized the goals of providing comfort and the best quality of life possible, and then analyzed this, using the ethical principles of beneficence, non-maleficence, and autonomy, showing how the failure to provide true palliation violates these principles for individual patients and for the population that uses an institution’s services. She contends that an ethical goal is to maximize the quality of life for our patients.

Ezekiel Emanuel (let us be fair to his thesis) does emphasize his desire to have expert palliative care when he is old and/or dying, even though he will not accept usual and aggressive medical treatments after the age of 75. He advocates more and better use of advance care planning with family and societal discussions. His article is “in your face” advance care planning, perhaps in the extreme. He promotes the thoughtful use of resources, a concept which society as well as healthcare practitioners find difficult to do. He, perhaps, suggests that some brakes be applied to autonomy, which some ethicists (as well as others) feel has gone too far, having become nearly absolute.



We need to have more conversation and debate about what medical treatments are really beneficial in maintaining quality of life. Too often longevity is the goal, despite a miserable quality of life, and this is a difficult concept to convey to patients and families, who in their autonomy can have difficulty saying “no” to anything that is offered.

Changing the society and healthcare system is a tall order, if carried to its conclusion, since the problems are not merely medical, but socioeconomic, cultural, psychosocial, spiritual, and individual.

We may not agree with Emanuel’s individual approach to these problems, but, much like Kevorkian and PAS, he puts important issues on the table for consideration.

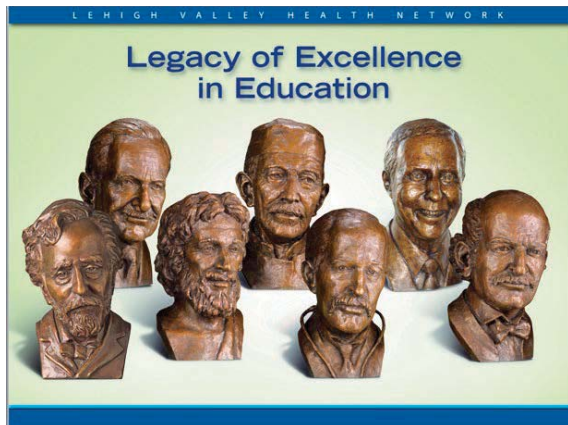
If you have any questions or have any feedback or comments regarding this article, please contact Joseph E. Vincent, MD, at [joseph.vincent@lvhn.org](mailto:joseph.vincent@lvhn.org) or [j38vincent@gmail.com](mailto:j38vincent@gmail.com).

# UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

## General Medical Staff Meeting

The quarterly meeting of the General Medical Staff will be held on **Monday, June 8**, beginning at **6 p.m.**, in the **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest**. The meeting will **NOT** be videoconferenced to **LVH-Muhlenberg**.

A highlight of the meeting will be the presentation of the **Teachers of the Year Awards**.



The agenda for the meeting will include:

- Review and approval of changes to the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations
- Election of four At-Large Members of the Medical Executive Committee
- Review and approval of the Medical Staff Budget for FY'16

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** will be held on **Tuesday, June 23**, beginning at **6 p.m.**, in the hospital's **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest**, and teleconferenced to **ECC Rooms C and D at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

An **Epic Update and Demonstration** will be presented by Donald L. Levick, MD, MBA, Chief Medical Information Officer.

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

## Cardiology Grand Rounds

The next Cardiology Grand Rounds will be held on **Friday, June 5**, from **Noon to 1 p.m.**, in the **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest** and teleconferenced to **ECC Room D at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

**“Cardiorenal Interactions in Heart Failure: What Do We Know? Why Do We Care?”** will be presented by Michael M. Givertz, MD, Medical Director, Heart Transplant and Mechanical Circulatory Support, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, and Associate Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School.

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

## Surgical Grand Rounds

Surgical Grand Rounds will be held on **Tuesday, June 23**, from **7 to 8 a.m.**, in the **Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest** and teleconferenced to the **First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg**.

**“High Reliability Healthcare: Lessons from Naval Aviation”** will be presented by Steve Kreiser, CDR, (USN Ret.), MBA, MSM, Healthcare Performance Improvement.

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 on the following dates:

- August 24, September 21, and October 13, 14 and 15

A two-day provider course will be held on September 14 and 15, 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 1 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute on the following dates:

- June 15, 16, August 27, and September 3 and 24

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.



# PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS



**Daniel F. Brown, MD, MBA**, Chair, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, co-authored an article – “A Human Monoclonal IgG That Binds AB Assemblies and Diverse Amyloids Exhibits Anti-Amyloid Activities *In Vitro* and *In Vivo*” – which was published in the *Journal of Neuroscience*, April 22, 2015, Volume 35, Number 16.



On April 23, **Beth A. Careyva, MD**, Department of Family Medicine, and Natalie Bieber, DO, Family Medicine Resident, were guest speakers at Lehigh University’s Baker Institute for Entrepreneurship, Creativity and Innovation’s Bioinnovation Workshop where they discussed “Challenges with Patient Flow Management in the Outpatient Setting.”



Members of the Department of Family Medicine – **Beth A. Careyva, MD**, Melanie Johnson, Quality and Research Specialist, Kyle Shaak, Data Specialist, **Brian Stello, MD**, Vice Chair of Quality and Research, and Susan Hansen, Coordinator of Program Evaluation – co-authored an article – “Patient-Reported Barriers and Limitations to Attending Diabetes Group Visits” – which was published in the *Journal of Primary Care & Community Health* on May 5, 2015.



**Beth A. Careyva, MD**, Department of Family Medicine, co-authored an article – “The Effect of Living in the United States on Body Mass Index in Refugee Patients” – which was published in the *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, Volume 26, Number 2, May 2015.



**Indru T. Khubchandani, MD**, former member of the Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery with Honorary Status, was an invited guest on the faculty of the Mediterranean Society of Pelvic Floor Disorders in Cairo, Egypt, from April 9-11. He was the keynote speakers and gave a named oration on the management of diverticular disease. Dr. Khubchandani also performed live telecasted surgery demonstrating closed hemorrhoidectomy with local anesthesia, a technique not used in that part of the world.



Thomas M. Nappe, DO, Emergency Medicine Resident; Anthony M. Pacelli, RN, Emergency Medicine nurse; and **Kenneth D. Katz, MD**, Division of Emergency Medicine, Section of Medical Toxicology, co-authored an article – “An Atypical Case of Methemoglobinemia due to Self-Administered Benzocaine” – which was published March 19 in *Case Reports in Emergency Medicine*.



**Allison S. Rusgo, PA-C**, physician assistant (formerly in the Emergency Department); **Terrence E. Goyke, DO**, Division of Emergency Medicine, and **Jeanne L. Jacoby, MD**, Division of Emergency Medicine, co-authored an article – “An Unexpectedly Painful Limb” – which was published in the *Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants*, Volume 28, Number 6, June 2015.



**Joseph L. Yozviak, DO**, Division of General Internal Medicine, was a co-author of an article – “Daclatasvir in Combination with Asunaprevir and Beclabuvir for Hepatitis C Virus Genotype 1 Infection with Compensated Cirrhosis” – which was published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Volume 313, Number 17, May 5, 2015.

# CHANGES TO MEDICAL STAFF BYLAWS AND RULES AND REGULATIONS

*The following revisions to the Medical Staff Bylaws received approval by the Medical Executive Committee on February 3, 2015, the General Medical Staff on March 9, 2015, and the Boards of Trustees of Lehigh Valley Hospital and Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg on May 6, 2015.*

## ARTICLE IV - CATEGORIES OF THE MEDICAL STAFF

### SECTION H - PATIENT CARE ACTIVITY LEVEL

1. Patient care activity levels will be defined in the departmental rules and regulations in such a manner as to ensure ongoing surveillance of quality care. No changes may be made in the minimum or maximum patient care activity level requirements set forth in such rules and regulations except upon a two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the eligible voting members of the department present at a meeting of the department, provided a quorum exists, and no such changes may be implemented except upon endorsement by the Medical Executive Committee and the Governing Bodies.
2. The failure of an Active Staff member to attain the average patient care activity level (as set forth in the applicable departmental rules & regulations and as defined in these Bylaws) during the reappointment cycle shall result in the automatic transfer of the member to the next lower Medical Staff category existing in the Department, **if applicable, or automatic voluntary resignation from the Medical Staff where no lower category exists.** Such transfer **or voluntary resignation** shall not entitle the member to a hearing or any of the procedural rights provided in Article IX of these Bylaws. However, the following shall apply:
  - (a) The last two (2) full calendar years will be used for purposes of monitoring patient care activity levels for the biennial reappointment cycle, if available. Annualized data will be utilized in all other circumstances.
  - (b) Any such member of the Active Staff shall be provided with a written notice that his/her medical staff category will be modified. Within ten (10) days following any affected member's receipt of such notice, the affected member may:
    - (i) voluntarily agree to the modification;
    - (ii) provide additional information to evidence that the member has satisfied the minimum patient care activity level; or
    - (iii) provide a written statement explaining the reasons for the member's failure to attain the patient care activity level.
  - (c) If the member fails to respond within ten (10) days, the member shall be automatically transferred to the next lower Medical Staff category existing in the Department, if applicable, or **considered an automatic voluntary resignation from the Medical Staff, where no lower category exists.**
  - (d) If the member submits additional information or a statement, the Division Chief and Chair, ~~if necessary,~~ shall review the information and the application **and render a recommendation shall to** be submitted to the Credentials Committee. The Credentials Committee shall recommend to the Medical Executive Committee within thirty (30) days of its receipt of the written statement whether **or not to reverse or sustain the modification in Medical Staff category move to the next lower Medical Staff category, if applicable, or automatic voluntary resignation from the Medical Staff.**
  - ~~(e) The Medical Executive Committee shall, upon a two-thirds (2/3rds) vote of the eligible members of the Committee present, provided a quorum exists, determine within thirty (30) days of its receipt of the recommendation of the Credentials Committee whether to reverse or sustain the modification in Medical Staff category.~~
  - ~~(f)~~ (e) Any determination by the Medical Executive Committee shall be implemented immediately, pending final approval by the Boards of Trustees. The affected member shall be provided with written notice of the determination of the Medical Executive Committee. The determination of the Boards of Trustees shall be forwarded in writing. This decision shall be final and binding and shall not be subject to appeal or further review by such affected member.

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**Part II  
MEDICAL STAFF RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**H. RECORDS**

**I. General**

**II. Completion of Medical Records**

1. All entries in the medical record must be dated and timed, in written or electronic form, by the person responsible for providing or evaluating the service provided.
2. Timely completion of medical records is necessary for good patient care and compliance with licensing standards and other regulations.
3. Any additions or corrections to a patient's medical record must be made within a reasonable time after the new or correct information is available. The information must be clearly identified as a correction or addition and include the date and time of same.
4. Medical Record completion time frame requirements:
  - (a) **History and Physical Examinations** shall be completed and documented in the medical record no later than twenty-four (24) hours after admission of the patient.

- (b) **Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory Procedure Reports** shall be dictated in the medical record immediately after the procedure.
- (c) **Operative Note** shall be entered into the Progress Record immediately after the procedure and before the patient is transferred to the next level of care and **Operative Reports and High Risk Procedure Reports** shall be dictated in the medical record within twenty-four (24) hours after the procedure.
- (d) **Cancer Staging Sheets** shall be completed within 96 hours of receipt of final pathology report. (Cancer Staging Sheets are required for those visits in which an initial cancer diagnosis is made or during which additional staging occurs.)
- (e) **Discharge Summaries** shall be dictated within seven (7) days after the date of discharge.
- (f) **Medical Record Queries** – shall be answered within seven (7) days after the date of discharge.
- (g) **Clinical Documentation Improvement Queries** – shall be answered within seven (7) days after the date of discharge.
- ~~(e)~~ **(h) Home Care Orders** – (PA Form 485) – must be completed within seven (7) days.

# 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



**David J. Chen, MD**  
LVPG Psychiatry-Muhlenberg  
*Lehigh Valley Physician Group*  
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Bethlehem, PA 18017-7334  
Phone: 610-402-3560 Fax: 484-884-8396  
Department of Medicine  
Division of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation  
Provisional Active



**Sumit Duggal, MD**  
Afterhours Physician Coverage Group  
*Lehigh Valley Health Network*  
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Department of Medicine  
Division of General Internal Medicine  
Provisional Limited Duty



**Felicia C. Johnson, DO**  
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Division of Adult Inpatient Psychiatry  
Provisional Active



**Uchechukwu N. Onuoha, MD, MPH**  
HealthWorks  
*Lehigh Valley Physician Group*  
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Department of Medicine  
Section of Occupational Medicine  
Provisional Active

### Leadership Appointments

#### *Department of Family Medicine*

**Drew M. Keister, MD**  
Residency Program Director  
Family Medicine

#### *Department of Medicine*

**Jennifer L. Stephens, DO**  
Acting Vice Chair – 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
Associate Chief, Division of General Internal Medicine

#### *Medical Directors of Patient Care Units, Laboratories and Programs*

**Leigh-Anne B. Picхта, DO**  
Medical Director  
Inpatient Rehabilitations Unit – 5K and 6K

### Change of Practice

#### **Vito A. Loguidice, MD**

From: Orthopedic Associates of the Greater Lehigh Valley  
To: Coordinated Health  
3100 Emrick Blvd.  
Bethlehem, PA 18020-8037  
Phone: 610-861-8080 Fax: 610-868-1784

### Address Changes

#### **Carla D. Chiapella, MD**

Urology Specialists of the Lehigh Valley  
5018 Medical Center Circle  
Suite 240  
Allentown, PA 18106-9694  
Phone: 484-876-5649 Fax: 610-770-1791

#### **Brian L. Fellechner, DO**

St. Luke's Spine Institute  
1700 St. Luke's Blvd.  
Easton, PA 18045-5670  
Phone: 484-503-0050 Fax: 484-503-0003

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### **Primary Practice Address Change**

**Ann C. Anderson, DPM**

**Lora Baker, DPM**

**Raymond A. Fritz, Jr., DPM**

**Randy M. Smargiassi, DPM**

Allentown Family Foot Care

2414 Walbert Avenue

Allentown, PA 18104-1326

Phone: 610-434-7000 Fax: 610-434-7029

### **Fax Number Change**

LVPG Internal Medicine-1255 Cedar Crest

**Anthony Buonanno, MD**

**Christopher Newman, MD**

**Jose Santiago-Rivera, MD**

**Margaret Tretter, DO**

New Fax Number: **610-402-2624**

### **Name Change**

Sandra Fogelman-MacKenzie, MD changed to

**Sandra Fogelman, MD**

Adult Medicine & Geriatric Associates

Department of Medicine

Division of General Internal Medicine

### **Change of Practice/Departmental Assignment**

**Jennifer M. LeGar, MD**

From: OACIS Services

To: LVPG Hospital Medicine at Cedar Crest

*Lehigh Valley Physician Group*

Lehigh Valley Hospital

Cedar Crest & I-78, P.O. Box 689

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