

Progress Notes

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CHANGES COMING TO *PROGRESS NOTES* IN AUGUST

Earlier this year, more than 150 medical staff members and advanced practice clinicians responded to a survey regarding *Progress Notes*. Two focus groups also were conducted. While they value the information in *Progress Notes*, respondents said they preferred a mix of print and online content, a better email distribution and additional formatting and sectioning of content.

Based on that feedback, the look and feel of *Progress Notes* will change starting next month.

Here's what you will see:

➤ On Monday, August 3, you will receive an email that will

preview top stories and features in that month's issue of *Progress Notes*. From that email, you will be able to click to individual stories or to LVHN.org/progressnotes, a website that will include all stories from that issue. If you miss that email, don't worry – you will receive a follow-up email one week later as a polite reminder.

➤ Also available will be a one-sheet "*Progress Notes* High-

lights" document. In a hurry? You can download, print and read it from LVHN.org/progressnotes and get highlights from that issue. You also can pick up a printed copy of the "*Progress Notes* Highlights" sheet in the medical staff lounges at LVH–Cedar Crest and LVH–Muhlenberg.

A link to each issue of *Progress Notes* will continue to be archived on the Medical Staff Services website each month.

Also, after 27 years, this issue of *Progress Notes* will be the last one produced by Janet Seifert, who will take on additional roles in Medical Staff Services. For the August issue and all issues afterward, all articles should be submitted by the 15th of each month to Joelle Junior at jjunior@staywell.com. If you have questions or feedback regarding *Progress Notes*, email alane.mercer@lvhn.org.



MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS AT-LARGE

Congratulations are extended to the following members of the Medical Staff who were recently elected to serve three-year terms as members at-large of the Medical Executive Committee, beginning July 1, 2015:



Diane P. Begany, MD

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Division of Critical Care Medicine
LVH Pediatric Intensive Care



Errin J. Hoffman, MD

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Division of Diagnostic Radiology
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A special “Thank You” is extended to the members at-large, who completed their terms at the end of June, for their dedication and service to the Medical Staff as members of the Medical Executive Committee:

Ravindra Bollu, MD

Department of Medicine
Division of Nephrology

J. John Collins, MD

Department of Anesthesiology
Division of Obstetric Anesthesiology/Pediatric Anesthesiology

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Carmine J. Pellosie, DO, MPH, MBA

Department of Medicine
Section of Occupational Medicine



POCONO HEALTH SYSTEM AND LEHIGH VALLEY HEALTH NETWORK SIGN LETTER OF INTENT TO MERGE



On May 28, Pocono Health System (PHS) and Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) announced they have signed a letter of intent to merge, subject to due diligence, the negotiation of definitive transaction documents, and appropriate regulatory approvals. The Boards of Directors of both organizations, in separate meetings, authorized the letter of intent.

“We believe that the residents of the Poconos region will greatly benefit from the merger of these two longstanding, high-quality healthcare systems,” said Jeff Snyder, President and CEO of PHS. The combination of our two organizations will mean that Poconos residents will have greater access to the highest-quality clinical care in the region, the most qualified and capable physician network supported by the most sophisticated technology and advanced health records systems, all delivered locally through PMC, while being supported by the resources and scale of Lehigh Valley Health Network.”

Brian Nester, DO, MBA, LVHN’s President and CEO, said the two organizations have a long history of productive partnerships in certain clinical areas, such as the affiliation to provide trauma and radiation oncology services to the region. He said together as a single, integrated system, they will accelerate steps to develop and grow additional, affordable healthcare services to best serve the community.

“We look forward to developing with PMC a hospital of the future that incorporates the highest level of clinical competence to provide the highest quality care close to home.” Dr. Nester said. In addition, LVHN looks forward to the opportunity to provide more integrated care to the Pocono region through population health management, which includes sharing a common electronic medical records system.

Pending completion of due diligence and regulatory approvals, the parties expect the proposed merger to take effect in the first half of 2016.

CONGRATULATIONS



Felipe S. Bautista Otanez, MD, Division of Pediatric Subspecialties, Section of Hematology-Medical Oncology, was recently certified in Pediatric Hematology-Oncology by the American Board of Pediatrics. He is also certified by the same board in Pediatrics. Dr. Bautista Otanez has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2014. He is in practice with LVPG Pediatric Hematology Oncology-Muhlenberg.

CMIO UPDATE

LVHN Link for Epic Access

If you have or will be trained to use Epic Ambulatory or Epic Inpatient, you will have full access to the Epic System. If you are not in those categories, then LVHN Link is for you! **LVHN Link** is a web-based portal that provides private practice physicians, their staff and other community affiliates secure, view-only access to the EpicCare EMR.

Private practices can access LVHN Link now by signing up for access in advance of the Inpatient Transformation on August 1, 2015.

Wave 2 will affect the following LVH sites: Cedar Crest, 17th Street, Muhlenberg, Tilghman, and the Hospital Outpatient Departments.

Private physicians who practice remotely and do not come to the above facilities can use LVHN Link to view inpatient and ancillary data which includes LVPG office visit notes. And, in the near future, you will be able to request LVPG specialists' outpatient consults and diagnostic/ancillary services. It's a helpful tool to manage current patients and follow up on their care post discharge.

After the Epic Go Live on August 1, Centricity Enterprise (CE) patient information will no longer be updated. The patient information in CE will remain available as historical view only, and all new information will be entered and available to you in Epic. Some clinical information will be converted from CE to Epic, i.e., patient dictated reports. Other historical clinical data, such as medication records, will remain in CE in view only mode.

LVHN Link training is accomplished through an on-line tutorial. There is a quick start guide and videos on the LVHN Link home page which are provided with Link access. No in-class attendance is required for LVHN Link.

Enrollment forms have been mailed out to practice managers. To ensure you receive access prior to the Wave 2 go live, please fax the forms to (484) 661-4094. If you do not have a form, fax your practice manager's name, practice manager's email address and a backline phone number to (484) 661-4094. An enrollment form will be forwarded to you to request access for physicians and staff who currently have an LVHN Network ID and who need LVHN Link access in the performance of their job function.

If you do not have an LVHN Network ID or SUI or if it is inactive, you must contact the Physician Support Team at 610-402 8303 (Option #1). Epic Access for Link can only be assigned after you have a LVHN Network ID.

If you have any questions regarding this article, please contact Donald L. Levick, MD, MBA, Chief Medical Information Officer, at donald.levick@lvhn.org.

THE RETAIL PHARMACY VIEW

How to Treat Allergy Sufferers

Allergy season is in full bloom and many people are suffering from allergy symptoms – stuffy runny noses, itchy watery eyes, itchy throats, sinus pressure and sneezing. These symptoms are bothersome symptoms and patients will be coming to their providers and pharmacists for some relief.

There are many prescription medications and products that are available over the counter that will help your patients. First, and most importantly, as a provider, you must know your patients' medical conditions as well as medication allergies before recommending treatment. You may also ask which products have worked in the past.

Antihistamines are usually the first line of defense; they relieve and help prevent allergy symptoms. Antihistamines are available as tablets, capsules, nasal sprays and liquids. Claritin (loratadine), Zyrtec (cetirizine), Allegra (fexofenadine) – *all oral medications* – and Zaditor (ketotifen) – *eye drops* – are just a few second generation over-the-counter antihistamines. These medications will help dry up secretions and relieve itchy watery eyes. They have few drug interactions or side effects and are safe for patients with high blood pressure. The most common side effects with antihistamines are drowsiness, dry mouth, nose or throat and stomach upset. Zaditor should not be used for patients with glaucoma. Decongestants, such as Sudafed, are used in combination with antihistamines which can help alleviate sinus pressure. Sudafed and Phenylephrine, a similar product, should be avoided in patients who have high blood pressure. Sudafed and its generic, *Pseudoephedrine*, are available without a prescription but are kept behind the counter and must be signed for with a valid driver's license. Phenylephrine does not require an ID and is available out front in stores. Antihistamines such as Clarinex, Xyzal (oral medications), Astelin, Astepro (nasal sprays), Pataday and Patanol (eye drops) are available by prescription only.

If allergy symptoms are seasonal for the patient, then a steroid nasal spray may be an option. Prescription nasal steroids, such as Flonase, Nasocort, Nasonex, Qnasal and Veramyst, help alleviate inflammation in the sinus cavities and help dry up dripping noses. Flonase and Nasocort are now available over the counter for patients. Some insurances will still cover Flonase and Nasocort with a prescription. Check with a pharmacist to see which option is best for your patient. Side effects from steroid nasal sprays include headache, nose bleeds and cough.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding this topic, contact Danielle M. Schrader, PharmD, Health Spectrum Pharmacy, LVH-Cedar Crest via email at danielle.schrader@lvhn.org or by phone at 610-402-8444.



OPEN HOUSE HELD TO INTRODUCE LVHN'S FIRST EVER CENTER FOR INPATIENT REHABILITATION — CEDAR CREST



On June 10, an open house was held to introduce the **Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation – Cedar Crest**, Lehigh Valley Health Network's (LVHN) new inpatient rehabilitation facility for adults 18 years and older. The new facility, which will officially open on July 1, is located on the sixth and seventh floors of the Kasych Family Pavilion South Tower on the campus of Lehigh Valley Hospital – Cedar Crest.

The Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation – Cedar Crest will provide a full continuum of services for LVHN patients. For the first time, adults will have the opportunity to receive short-term rehabilitation without having to leave Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest.

The Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation – Cedar Crest includes:

- 34 private patient rooms, six of which will include telemetry beds for the monitoring of cardiac and respiratory patients
- A therapy gym on each floor, featuring a cardio equipment, resistance bands and weights

- A kitchen where patients can work on activities of daily living, such as loading a dishwasher or cooking on the stove
- State-of-the-art technical equipment such as the Bioness Vector Gait, a harness that people who are learning to stand or walk again can use to move around the gym and kitchen
- An activities-of-daily-living suite, which is essentially a one-room apartment where patients can test their ability to live independently prior to discharge

For more information regarding the new Center for Inpatient Rehabilitation – Cedar Crest, contact Kelly Shak, Vice President, Rehabilitation Services, at kelly.shak@lvhn.org.

JOINT COMMISSION REMINDERS: TIPS FROM RECENT SURVEY

The Joint Commission (TJC) recently visited LVH-Muhlenberg for a four-day reaccreditation survey. The four surveyors were very detailed and thorough in their approach. In addition to all inpatient and procedural areas, many outpatient and off-campus hospital-based clinical services were visited. As a result of the survey, some opportunities for improvement were identified within medical record documentation, as outlined below. The Joint Commission will also survey Lehigh Valley Hospital (including Cedar Crest, 17th Street, and Tilghman Street campuses) prior to the end of July.

Medical Record Documentation Authentication, Dating and Timing of Entries

- All entries in the medical record must be dated and timed, whether in written or electronic form, by the person making the chart entry.
- Every entry must include name, credentials, date and time.

Legibility

Illegible handwriting is part of the record review process during patient tracers. Physicians, nurses, and other staff will be given charts and asked “can you read this?”

- All entries in the medical record must be *legible*.
- Use only black ink for chart documentation.
- Do not use “felt tip” or pens that make dark, bold lines.
- Do not use “very fine” writing pens which tend to skip at times.
- Include your phone number or pager number with your signature.
- If you have been designated as having illegible handwriting and are required to use a name stamp, please make sure that the pad is appropriately inked.

Histories and Physical (H&P)

A complete History and Physical (H&P) is required:

- Within 24 hours of admission and prior to inpatient and ambulatory/outpatient procedures.
- For any invasive procedure that puts the patient at risk, no matter what the setting (e.g., interventional radiology, GI Lab, Short Procedure Units, etc.).
- Histories and physicals may be done up to 30 days prior to the admission/outpatient procedure.

- H&Ps older than 30 days that are updated and added to the chart are **NOT ACCEPTABLE**.
- Most frequently missing components of the history and physical include the chief complaint, past history and review of systems.
- H&P in Inpatient Setting must minimally include: chief complaint, history of present illness, past medical/surgical history, medications, allergies/reactions, physical examination, impression(s)/diagnosis(es) and plan of care.
- H&P in the Ambulatory/outpatient setting must minimally include: chief complaint, history of present illness, past medical surgical history, medications, allergies/reactions, physical examination, impression (s)/diagnosis(es), planned procedure/date of procedure.

History and Physical Update

- Histories and physicals performed prior to the day of admission or prior to ambulatory/outpatient procedures **must be updated within 24 hours of admission or prior to the ambulatory/outpatient procedure.** If the patient has surgery within the first 24 hours of admission, then the H&P update must be completed and present prior to the patient going to the operating room and surgery commencing.
- H&P forms (inpatient and ambulatory/outpatient) include an update section at the bottom of the last page of the forms. The ticket to the OR also contains an H&P update section.

Unacceptable Abbreviations

- To comply with the 2015 TJC standards, LVHN has implemented TJC’s mandated list of ‘Do NOT Use’ abbreviations that apply to orders and medication-related documentation which are handwritten (including free text computer entry) or on preprinted forms in the medical record. These ‘forbidden’ abbreviations may present a risk of misinterpretation, which could result in error and jeopardize patient safety. The ‘Do NOT Use’ abbreviations are:

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Do Not Use Abbreviation	Potential Problem	Preferred Term
U (unit)	Mistaken for “0” (zero), the number “4” (four) or “cc”	Write “unit”
IU (international unit)	Mistaken as IV (intravenous) or the number 10 (ten)	Write “International Unit”
Q.D., QD, q.d., qd (daily) Q.O.D., QOD, q.o.d., qod (every other day)	Mistaken for each other Period after the Q mistaken for “I” and the “O” mistaken for an “I”	Write “daily” Write “every other day”
Trailing Zero (X.0 mg) Lack of Leading Zero (.X mg)	Decimal point is missed	Write X mg Write 0.X mg
MS, MSO4 and MgSO4	Can mean morphine sulfate or magnesium sulfate - confused for one another	Write “morphine sulfate” Write “magnesium sulfate”

- The most commonly used unapproved abbreviation is q.d. and should be written out in its entirety...**daily**.

Approved Abbreviations

The administrative policy “Abbreviations in the Medical Record,” provides for use of abbreviations from an approved list of common abbreviations, and also references Stedman’s for approved abbreviation use. Please adhere to these lists, and refrain from using ‘texting’ abbreviations in documentation.

Consents

Consents must be filled out completely, including the alternatives, risks and benefits to surgery. All consents must be signed, dated and timed. Procedures should not commence until a signed consent is on the chart (except in cases of emergency).

Medication Management

Medication orders should be clear and accurate. Please refrain from using blanket reinstatement instructions such as “continue home medications” or “resume home medications.”

Medication orders must include (as applicable):

- Brand or Generic Name
- Strength
- Dosage
- Route of Administration
- Frequency of Administration
- Indication (if appropriate)

Duplicate Medication orders

Duplicate orders are defined as multiple medications from the same class, or intended to treat the same underlying problem and are ordered with an intended sequence of administration for a worsening problem. Orders must be very specific and must be written for only one medication or written for what the cascade of orders should specifically be.

It should not be the nurse’s responsibility to choose as this would be considered prescribing; nurses are not privileged to prescribe. It may not be assumed that the nurse will determine the administration order of the drugs or the dosing.

If you have any questions regarding this article, please contact Robin Anthony, Director, Joint Commission and Regulatory Excellence, at 484-884-2310 or via email at robin.anthony@lvh.com.

HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT UPDATE

In preparation for Epic Wave 2 go-live on August 1, 2015, the Health Information Management (HIM) department has worked with providers over the last few months to clean up all incomplete medical records in OnBase and TSystem. Since HIM began notifying providers, positive results and feedback have been received.

As the Epic Inpatient Implementation is just around the corner, the goal of the HIM department is to have all providers clean up all outstanding incomplete records (dictation and signature deficiencies) in the current

electronic medical record, which will save providers a lot of time by not having to access multiple systems for chart completion post August 1. This will be efficient for the HIM team also as incomplete records will not be tracked and validated in two systems. The Health Information Management department would like to express its appreciation to everyone for their efforts in helping to achieve this goal.

Providers who need assistance in completing their medical records should call the Health Information Management department at 484-884-4516.



LVHN DIGITAL LIBRARY

Remote Access to ClinicalKey Content

You can access the ClinicalKey content that you normally have at LVHN from anywhere in the world! A ClinicalKey personal account and remote access activation are required. Follow these instructions:

Creating both Personal account/Remote access in ClinicalKey:

1. Open **ClinicalKey**. Click **Register**.
2. Enter registration information using your **LVHN email**. Click **Register**.
3. Email will be sent to LVHN email. Open and click **Activate your remote access (within 72 hours of receiving it or you will need to repeat previous steps)**.
4. ClinicalKey will open to a screen to register for remote access. Login using your **personal account**.

For users with a ClinicalKey Personal account:

1. Open **ClinicalKey**. Click **Login**.
2. Click **Remote access activation**.
3. Enter your **LVHN email**. Click **continue**.
4. Email will be sent to LVHN email. Open and click **Activate your remote access (within one hour of receiving it or you will need to repeat the previous steps)**.
5. Login using your **personal account**.

Once registered, go to **Clinicalkey.com** to login. Remote access is good for 180 days. Login to your personal account while on the LVHN network to reset the 180 days.

If you have any questions on any library resource, please contact Library Services at 610-402-8410. To get to the Digital Library's homepage from the Employee Intranet, go to **Find Fast/Library Services**.

ADVANCED PRACTICE CLINICIAN UPDATE

Mindful Practice: Technology

Big monitors are now everywhere... how we incorporate technology into our patient interactions is crucial to effective and quality patient care.

Following are some tips for using technology while with a patient:

- 1) Log in and explain what you're doing:
"Let's open up your chart so we have your history and results in front of us."
 - This practice reduces anxiety and enforces that the technology is designed to enhance and not damage your relationship with the patient.
- 2) ALTERNATE the focus of your attention between the computer and the patient instead of trying to multi-task.
 - Multi-tasking is inefficient and causes the patient to experience you as disconnected and inattentive.
 - When you ask a question make eye contact. Try not to be out of eye contact for more than 10 seconds.

- When entering information – tell the patient. "Please give me a moment to jot down this information while it is fresh in our minds."
 - Position your body away from the device completely and tune in when the patient is discussing an emotional or critical issue.
- 3) Engage the patient with the device and the information on it.
 - Turn the screen and share information, for example share lab results or a note from a specialist.
 - 4) Log out in front of the patient.
 - This practice will ease the patient's concerns about confidentiality.

If you have any questions regarding this article, please contact Jessica Rush, PA-C, via email at jessica_a.rush@lvhn.org.

Source: Leebov, W., & Rotering, C. (2012). Mindful Practice. In *The language of caring guide for physicians: Communication essentials for patient-centered care* (pp. 27-28). S.l.: Leebov Golde Group, LLC.

PAPERS, PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS



Donald L. Levick, MD, MBA,
Division of General Pediatrics and Chief
Medical Information Officer, and

Michael Sheinberg, MD, Division of

Obstetrics/Gynecology and Medical Director for the Epic Transformation Project, are co-authors of an article – "Integrating Commercial Ambulatory Electronic Health Records with Hospital Systems: An Evolutionary Process" – which was available on-line on May 22, in the *International Journal of Medical Informatics*. The article was co-authored by colleagues at Lehigh University. Together, they have been working on an AHRQ Grant on Perinatal Information Systems, of which Dr. Levick is the Principal Investigator.



William L. Miller, MD, Chair, Department of Family Medicine, co-authored **Chapter 13: Patient Centered Medical Home: A Journey not a Destination**, which was published within the book – *Geriatrics Models of Care: Bringing 'Best Practice' to an Aging America*.



Robert G. Prosnitz, MD, MPH, Vice Chair, Department of Radiation Oncology, co-authored an article – "Benefits and Risks of Contralateral Prophylactic Mastectomy in Women Undergoing Treatment for Sporadic Unilateral Breast Cancer: A Decision Analysis" – which was published online on June 11, 2015 in *Breast Cancer Research and Treatment*.

UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Family Medicine Grand Rounds

The Department of Family Medicine will hold Grand Rounds on **Tuesday, July 7, at 7 a.m., in Kasych ECC Room 10 at LVH-Cedar Crest**. The program will also be videoconferenced to ECC Room A at LVH-Muhlenberg and Family Practice sites.

“LVHN Street Medicine Program: Delivering Healthcare to the Frontier” will be presented by Brett J. Feldman, PA-C, Community Health & Wellness, and Director and Founder of the LVHN Street Medicine Program.

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

Pediatric Grand Rounds

The Department of Pediatrics will hold Grand Rounds on **Tuesdays at 8 a.m., in Kasych ECC Room 6 at LVH-Cedar Crest**. Topics for July include:

- **July 7 – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology topic** – Lydia Boateng, MD, Division of Pediatric Subspecialties, Section of Hematology-Medical Oncology
- **July 14 – Pediatric Intensive Care topic** – Samuel Umaru, MD, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Critical Care Medicine
- **July 21 – “Immigrant Children”** – Katherine Yun, MD, Refugee Health Program, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia
- **July 28 – Medical Education topic**

For more information, contact Cari Coelho in the Department of Pediatrics at 484-862-3131.

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. 12th Street, Allentown, on the following dates:

- October 13, 14, 15
- November 6, 9, 24
- December 2, 3, 7

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:

- August 4, 27
- September 24
- October 7, 28

In addition, a two-day provider course will be held on September 1 and 2, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute.

Registration information and a list of additional classes are available on the EMI website -

[EMERGENCY MEDICINE INSTITUTE](#)

For more information regarding these classes, contact Christine Ash at the Emergency Medicine Institute at 610-969-0299.

LEHIGH VALLEY HEALTH NETWORK

54th Annual Summer Festival



August 19-22, 2015

Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg

Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem

Adjacent to the Main Entrance
(at the intersection of Schoenersville
Road and Macada Road)

**Free admission,
free entertainment and
free parking on
the hospital grounds.
Shuttle service provided.**

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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.

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New Appointments



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Change of Practice and Departmental Assignment

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Off-Site Programs

Adolescent Partial Hospitalization Program	- Kamna Malhotra, MD
Adult Transitions Partial Hospitalization Program	- Ralph A. Primelo, MD
Alternative Partial Hospitalization Program	- David L. Schwendeman, MD
Base Service Unit	- David L. Schwendeman, MD
Guidance Program	- Susan D. Wiley, MD
Lehigh Valley Home Care	- David M. Caccese, MD
Lehigh Valley Hospice	- Sarah Nicklin, MD
Pediatric Liaison Psychiatry Services	- John-Paul Gomez, MD
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Program	- Debra D. Esernio-Jenssen, MD
Transitional Living Center	- Susan D. Wiley, MD
Neuro-Psychiatry Program	- Mireille M. Meyerhoefer, MD, PhD

The Cancer Center at Lehigh Valley Hospital

Medical Director, LVHN Cancer Service Line	- Suresh G. Nair, MD
Senior Medical Director, Medical Oncology	- Eliot L. Friedman, MD
Senior Medical Director, Radiation Oncology	- Charles F. Andrews, MD
Medical Director, Surgical Oncology	- Heiwon Chung, MD
Senior Medical Director, Gynecologic Oncology	- Richard M. Boulay, MD
Senior Medical Director, Academic Oncology Programs	- Suresh G. Nair, MD
Medical Director, Breast Health Services	- Lori A. Alfonse, DO
Director, Breast Imaging, Breast Health Services	- Priya K. Sareen, MD

Fairgrounds Surgical Center

Medical Director	- J. John Collins, MD
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LVH - Tilghman

Medical Director, Orthopedic Sports Medicine	- Robert C. Palumbo, MD
Co-Director, Operations	- James C. Weis, MD
	-Gregor M. Hawk, MD
Medical Director, Quality	- Kenneth J. Brislin, MD
Co-Medical Director, Spine	- Stephen P. Falatyn, MD
	-Jeffrey R. McConnell, MD
Co-Medical Director, Total Joint Replacement	- Paul F. Pollice, MD
	- Kevin K. Anbari, MD, MBA
Medical Director	- William R. Swayser, Jr., DO

LVHN Surgery Center – Tilghman

Medical Director	- Neil A. Stansbury, MD
Co-Medical Director	- James C. Shaheen, MD

Laboratory and Other Service Medical Directors

Hospital Lab/Service Directors

Acute Pain Management Services	- Michael He, MD
Burn Recovery Unit	- Daniel D. Lozano, MD, MBA
Cardiac Catheterization Lab	- J. Patrick Kleaveland, MD
	- Anthony M. Urbano, MD, Associate Medical Director (LVH-M)
Cardiac Imaging	- Matthew W. Martinez, MD
Cardiac Rehabilitation	- Bruce J. Silverberg, MD
	- Shehzak M. Malik, MD, Associate Medical Director
Electrophysiology Lab	- Gregory T. Altemose, MD
	- Hari P. Joshi, MD, Associate Medical Director (LVH-M)
Endocrine Testing Station	- Marc A. Vengrove, DO
ExpressCARE – LVH - Tilghman	- Eric W. Bean, DO
ExpressCARE – Health Center at Bangor	- John F. Wheary, DO
GI/Pulmonary Endoscopy Unit	- Shashin Shah, MD
	- Francis Schwiep, MD (Pulmonary Endoscopy)
	- Scott W. Beman, MD (Associate Medical Director - GI)
	- Frederic A. Stelzer, MD (GI - LVH-M)
Helwig Diabetes Center	- Marc A. Vengrove, DO
Hemodialysis Services	- Benjamin J. Wilcox, MD
Interventional Pulmonary Disease	- Robert J. Krukltis, MD, PhD
Mechanical Circulatory Support	- Timothy S. Misselbeck, MD
MedEvac/Emergency Med Institute	- John F. McCarthy, DO
Metabolic Bone Program	- Ya-Yu Lee, MD
Minimally Invasive Gynecology Surgery Program	- Joseph D. DeFulvio, DO
Minimally Invasive Robotic Surgery Program	- Martin A. Martino, MD
	- (OPEN), Associate Medical Director
Minimally Invasive Surgery Program	- Richard C. Boorse, MD
Neuromuscular Disease	- Glenn A. Mackin, MD
Neurophysiology Lab	- Clarissa J. Liew, MD
Neuroscience Service Line	- John E. Castaldo, MD, Co-Director
	- P. Mark Li, MD, PhD, Co-Director
Non-Invasive Cardiology	- Andrew D. Sumner, MD
	- Robert H. Biggs, DO, Associate Medical Director (LVH-M)
OACIS	- Daniel E. Ray, MD
Pain Management Center	- Bruce D. Nicholson, MD (LVH-CC)
	- Robert E. Wilson, DO (LVH-M)
Palliative Medicine	- Daniel E. Ray, MD
Patient Centered Medical Home & Practice Transformation	- Eric J. Gertner, MD, MPH
Perfusion Services	- Timothy S. Misselbeck, MD
PICC Team	- James A. Newcomb
Pre-Admission Testing	- Lisa A. Keglovitz, MD
Pulmonary Lab	- Richard J. Strobel, MD
Regional Heart Center	- Ronald S. Freudenberger, MD,
	- Raymond L. Singer, MD, MMM, Surgical Director
Rehabilitation Services	- Carmine J. Pellosie, DO
Respiratory Care	- Vanessa A. Ribaud-Kaufman, MD
Sleep Disorders Lab	- Joseph B. Schellenberg, MD
Stroke Program	- Yevgeniy Isayev, MD
Stroke Rehabilitation	- Wayne E. Dubov, MD
Vascular Lab	- Alan Berger, MD (Co-Director – LVH)
	- John E. Castaldo, MD (Co-Director – LVH)
	- James A. Newcomb, MD (Co-Director – LVH & LVH-M)
	- Bengt L. Ivarsson, MD (Co-Director – LVH-M)
Wound Healing Program	- Daniel D. Lozano, MD, MBA

Health Network Laboratories

Medical Director	- Daniel F. Brown, MD, MBA
Bone/Soft Tissue Pathology	- Gary A. Stopyra, MD
Breast Pathology	- Elizabeth A. Dellers, MD
Clinical Lab	- Peter E. Fisher, MD, MBA
Cytopathology/FNA	- Eugene Alexandrin, MD
Dermatopathology	- Kirsten SW. Bellucci, MD (Co-Director)
	- Hina A. Sheikh, MD (Co-Director)
Gastrointestinal Pathology	- Michael Scarlato, MD
	- Shanth A. Goonewardene, MD (Associate Director)

Genitourinary Pathology	- Eugene Alexandrin, MD
Gynecologic Pathology	- Victoria L. Loven, MD
Histopathology	- Jillian R. Grau, MD
Hematopathology	- Shereen M.F. Gheith, MD, PhD
Molecular Pathology	- Shereen M. Gheith, MD, PhD
Neuropathology	- Daniel F. Brown, MD, MBA
Pediatric Pathology	- Gary A. Stopyra, MD
Pulmonary/Endocrine Pathology	- Gary A. Stopyra, MD
Renal Pathology	- Sharif A. Ali, MD
Transfusion Medicine & HLA Lab	- Bala B. Carver, MD
Transplantation Pathology	- Sharif A. Ali, MD