Innovation in Medicine – It Starts with Us!

Innovation has become one of the common buzzwords in medicine. The word means different things to different people – newness, discovery, growth, or perhaps an improvement or development in technology. Nevertheless, innovation remains a critical factor in maintaining and advancing health care.

In December, Chris Trimble, a nationally renowned thought leader in health care policy, spoke at the Department of Medicine’s Grand Rounds. His presentation, based on his acclaimed book “How Physicians Can Fix Health Care,” reexamines the concept and ideal models for health system innovation. Trimble emphasizes the value of small, full-time clinical teams focused on specific patient populations as critical steps in the process of innovation.

His discussion dealt very little with technology, growth and investment in expensive equipment. Instead, he emphasized the value of creativity, collaboration, dedication and the perseverance of the typical, everyday provider. He argued the physicians and providers are better able to see the cracks in the system of care than anyone or anything else. This is innovation in its simplest form – a group of individuals on the front lines taking the initiative and having the ability to make changes that will ultimately revolutionize medicine.

On a theoretic level, achieving such innovation may seem simple but it has challenges. Lehigh Valley Healthy Network, by most standards, is a world class, cutting-edge, organization. As we rapidly grow and establish an infrastructure aimed at achieving population health, the power of the individual physician can easily be discounted. Growth, and the adoption of technology, can lead to “silos” that are difficult to penetrate. Such barricades invariably squelch valuable connection, communication and collaboration, which are vital in the process of innovation.

With this, the power and effectiveness of team-based, as opposed to individual care models, will become more and more apparent. Through several home-grown programs, such as the Street Medicine Program, Community Care Teams for complex medical patients and our Joint Replacement Bundle initiative, we have experienced the true power of such innovation. More specifically, we’ve seen how creative, multidisciplinary teams can provide value for both patients and providers.
How do we continue to accommodate this grass-roots innovation effort? First of all, we must continue to find and invest in physicians who are not only exceptional clinicians but also have vision. They must be passionate leaders, as well as providers, who show humility, value collaboration and are willing to evolve in how they provide patient care.

As an organization, we must acknowledge and reward these visionaries and be proactive in identifying and nurturing their ideas. This will require flexibility and allowing teams, which are multidisciplinary, to evolve. Finally, as a network we must invest in clinical programs that are novel and meaningful to our community. Programs that will continue to differentiate us as the premier health system in the region and provide a critical value, once again, from the patients’ perspective.

The benefits of nurturing such innovation will be significant and go beyond securing our reputation as a hospital system. By creating new and better systems of care, we will improve both clinical outcomes and patient satisfaction. Developing novel and innovative systems will allow patients to get better care close to home – here in Lehigh County and in our newer, merged, community hospital partners. It will lead to the creation of unique service lines and invaluable signature services that will give us leverage in negotiating with our third-party payers. Finally, I expect promoting physician-centered innovation and empowering the provider will improve physician satisfaction and prevent provider burnout. This will come from the power of team-based care, enhanced engagement and an opportunity for stewardship.

While we are making changes, let’s remember resources that remain constant – the power of the individual provider. I challenge each of you to think about how you can be an advocate and force for innovation and improvement. Come up with a need, an idea or a solution to improve patient care. In the end, this effort is what will make LVHN truly great. At a time when many clinicians are struggling with traditional care models, this paradigm offers an innovative approach to fix the system. A system that, if we are willing to act, will lead to the delivery of more efficient, valuable, patient-centered care and perhaps help us maintain, or refind, that joy in medicine.

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This National Doctors’ Day – held every year on March 30 – we honor our physicians who make an impact and a difference every day in the lives of patients. Thank you, our doctors, for your hard work and tireless dedication to LVHN and our community.
Stepping Up Type 2 Diabetes Care: A Practical Approach

A CME event, “Stepping Up Type 2 Diabetes Care: A Practical Approach,” will be offered on March 25 at LVH–Muhlenberg.

This program is designed for physicians, physician assistants and certified registered nurse practitioners who care for patients with type 2 diabetes.

Objectives

1. Describe initial therapies for patients with type 2 diabetes, including a review of newer oral agents, incretin injectables and insulin options.
2. Discuss appropriate candidates for early intervention with insulin therapy.
3. Identify best practice strategies for adding oral medications, when and how to initiate and titrate insulin to help patients achieve goal.

Conference Agenda

Saturday, March 25, 7:45–10:30 a.m.

LVH–Muhlenberg, Frank Banko Educational Conference Center rooms B, C and D

Andrew Brackbill, MD; Robert McCauley, MD

7:45-8:15 a.m.: Registration and breakfast

8:15-9:15 a.m.: Practical Approach to Adding Diabetes Pharmacological Options to Improve Glycemic Control
9:15-9:30 a.m.: Break

9:30-10:30 a.m.: Case-Based Applications

It is Lehigh Valley Health Network’s (LVHN) policy to ensure balance, independence, objectivity and scientific rigor in all of our sponsored educational programs. Faculty and all others who have the ability to control the content of continuing education activities sponsored by LVHN are expected to disclose to the audience whether they do or do not have any real or apparent conflict(s) of interest or other relationships related to the content of their presentation(s).

LVHN is accredited by the Pennsylvania Medical Society to provide continuing medical education for physicians. LVHN designates this live educational activity for a maximum 2.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the educational activity.

Registration Information

Registration deadline: March 22

Registration fee: Free


You will receive an email confirmation of your registration. Please keep this information since it contains your receipt and instructions in case you need to cancel.

On-Site Registration

On-site registrations may be available if space permits. Please be prepared for additional time to process your registration when you arrive.

Cancellations and Substitutions

LVHN reserves the right to substitute faculty and will provide comparable alternative faculty.

Evaluation Email Policy

LVHN respects your right to privacy and will not sell, lease or provide your contact information to a third party. By registering for this event, you agree to be contacted after the event for a post-event evaluation survey.

For questions, please contact the LVHN Department of Education at 610-402-2277, option 1.

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LVHN's 25th Annual Golf and Tennis Classic will be held May 15 at Saucon Valley Country Club.

For sponsorship information, contact Sandi Marsh at 484-884-9119.
The next general membership meeting of the Greater Lehigh Valley Independent Practice Association will be held on March 28 beginning at 6 p.m. in the LVH–Cedar Crest Auditorium with teleconferencing to LVH–Muhlenberg ECC Room B and LVHN–Hazleton Annex Building Board Room.

The topic will be “Lawful Prescribing and Prevention of Diversion.”

For questions or feedback on this article, contact Mary Ann Curcio, Coordinator, GLVIPA, at 610 969 0423.
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Help Available to Physicians with Student Loans

LVHN is offering a new student loan initiative that provides expert advice regarding loan repayment and forgiveness for physicians and advanced practice clinicians (APCs) who have incurred steep medical education debt.

Two programs are available:

- **Public Service Loan Forgiveness** allows certain federal student loans to be forgiven after 120 on-time, qualifying monthly payments. This program was created by the U.S. Congress in 2007 to encourage employment in the nonprofit sector.

- **Private Student Loan Refinance** allows medical providers to lower interest rates with a consolidated refinance loan from a private lender.

LVHN has partnered with Joy Sorensen Navarre, president of Navigate, LLC, to provide expert student loan advice at no cost. During a 30- to 45-minute consultation with Navigate by phone or computer you will:

- Review your current plan and learn about student loan options.
- Create a customized analysis, compare estimates and determine your best option.
- Get a plan with step-by-step instructions for loan consolidation, repayment plan applications, employment certification or private refinance.
- Receive unlimited follow up for future student loan repayment changes.

Physicians and APCs can schedule a time for a confidential consult by phone that fits their calendars or contact Sorensen Navarre by email at joy@navigatestudentloans.com or by text at 612-470-3040 with questions or concerns.
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LVH-Schuylkill Merger Vote Scheduled

A joint meeting of the medical staffs of Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) and Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)–Schuylkill will be held on Monday, March 13 at 6 p.m. for the purpose of voting on the merger of the staffs.

The meeting will take place at Wall Auditorium at LVH–Schuylkill E. Norwegian Street. It will be simulcast to Valley Country Club in Sugarloaf, Pa., and to Kasych Family Pavilion ECC 7 at LVH–Cedar Crest in Allentown.

Questions or concerns should be directed to Amrit Narula at Amrit.Narula@lvhn.org, Lawrence Riddles at Lawrence.Riddles@lvhn.org, Joseph Patruno at Joseph_E.Patruno@lvhn.org, or John Hart at John.Hart@lvhn.org.
PEPID Offers a Wide Variety of Clinical Content

PEPID contains information on more than 2,500 disease and trauma topics with pathophysiology, diagnosis, treatment and disposition. It is available via:

- the intranet via Find Fast/Library Services/PEPID
- EPIC Weblinks
- remote locations via WebSSO (CC, LVHM)

From the PEPID opening screen, choose one of three modules: Primary Care, Emergency Medicine or Critical Care Nursing. Then navigate using the convenient tabs:

- **Content**: Main guide to all the info in the module.
- **Drug Interactions**: Enter and cross reference up to 50 drugs, herbal remedies and OTC medications. Interactions are scored between 1 and 5, with 5 being a highly serious interaction. Serious interactions are listed first. Up/down arrows indicate if the interaction between drugs causes an increase/decrease in another drug level.
- **Drug Allergy Checker**: Check for any known allergies (medication, food, etc.) with the medication being prescribed.
- **Medical Calculators**: Browse or search more than 600 interactive medical calculators.
- **Differential Diagnosis Generator (DDX)**: Enter symptoms, exam findings and test results for potential diagnoses. Conditions are rated 1 to 5, with 5 as the most likely diagnosis.
- **Lab Manual**: Critical values and normal ranges for common lab tests and conditions and medications associated with atypical levels of measured factors. An alphabetical list of all laboratory monographs displays in the right-hand panel.
• **Pill Identification Tool:** Identify a particular medication by information on or about the pill such as imprint, color, shape or other characteristic.

You can type in Complementary Medicine, Abbreviations Guide, Glossary, Street Drug Names or Weapons of Mass Destruction to find additional sections.

The Drug Database has information on drugs, overdose management and costs, as well as more than 3,000 built-in dosing calculators.

The Toxicology section includes:

- toxin identification
- drugs of abuse
- household agents
- plants
- seafood
- pests, rodents and herbicides
- inhaled gases
- heavy metals/caustics
- medication overdoses and antidotes

There are 800 anatomical illustrations and rhythm strips

You can type in BLS, ACLS, ATLS, PALS or RSI for lifesaving protocols, procedures, quick drugs and drips, toxidromes, and algorithms.

Use the MORE drop-down menu for:

- ICD-10 lookup, using keywords from the title or description of the ICD-10 code.
- IV Compatibility Calculator: Select drugs and compare compatibility in Y-site, syringe and additives prior to combining in clinical situations. Each drug also has a section devoted to IV compatibility. NOTE: Not all medications are available in the IV Calculator list of medications.
- Stedman's Medical Dictionary.

Within each topic look for:

- Evidence-Based Medicine Inquiry: Questions with the evidence-based answers.
- Nursing Considerations from ANDA in the Critical Care nursing module.
- Pediatric Information Expanded: Including pediatric scores and scales, and weight-based drug dosing calculators. Select a drug from the database and click on Pediatric Dosing on the left OR scroll down the center section. Click on the desired formulation of the drug. The dosage calculator opens on the right. Enter the child’s weight and click the Calculate button. The dosage calculation will appear on the left along with instructions.

For questions or feedback on this article, contact Library Services at libraryservices@lvhn.org.
Brand-Name Drug Coupons and Copays

Almost every brand-name prescription drug has a corresponding copay savings program or coupon that can significantly lower a commercially insured patient’s copay. Typically, if the brand-name drug has an available generic, the copay savings will be greater, sometimes making the brand-name medication less expensive than its corresponding generic version.

The best example is the copay program for the cholesterol medication Crestor. A coupon for this drug can lower the patient’s copay to $3 for a 90-day supply. However, these coupons may end up costing the patient and others more in the long run. How? Even though the patient is paying less, the insurance company is paying considerably more than if the patient got the generic brand. Over time, this can cause insurance premiums to increase for everyone on that plan, including that patient receiving the drug.

Most insurance companies increase the cost share to the patient if the patient chooses the brand-name drug. This helps to offset the cost to the insurance company, and more of the cost is charged to the patient or the copay savings card. An exception to this is if prescribers indicate that the brand-name medication is medically necessary when they send the prescription to the pharmacy. In this instance, the patient is not penalized with a higher cost share.

We’re noticing that many providers are sending over prescriptions that state “patient requests brand name” in the notes or free-text section. This is extremely helpful to the pharmacists. It allows us to properly code prescriptions so the patient is charged the correct copay or cost share.

The next time a patient asks you for the brand name of a medication because he or she has a coupon, please consider communicating to the pharmacy that the patient requested the brand-name drug, as well as advocating for generic utilization if medically appropriate.

For questions or feedback on this article, contact Lauren Grantz PharmD, CSP, Director of Pharmacy for Health Spectrum Pharmacy Services, at 610-402-5294.
March 2017 Papers, Publications and Presentations

- Kris Rooney, MD, and of the Department of Pediatrics, co-authored a case report, “Hand edema and erythema in an infant,” with Karoline Korah, DO, pediatric resident. It was published in Consultant for Pediatricians, Volume 15, Number 10, October 2016.

- Tibi Villalobos, MD, of the Department of Pediatrics, co-presented “Rate of detection of multiple organisms with multiplex PCR gastrointestinal panel in pediatrics,” with Kristin Held Wheatley, PharmD, and Saisho Mangla, DO, at ID Week 2016 at the Infectious Diseases Society of America meeting in New Orleans, Oct. 27, 2016.

- Adam Paul, DO, of the Department of Pediatrics, presented “Celiac disease presenting as intussusception from Giardia lamblia” at the World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition in Quebec, Canada, Oct. 5, 2016. He also co-authored an article, “Genetic risk for inflammatory bowel disease is a determinant of Crohn’s disease development in chronic granulomatous disease.” It was published in Inflammatory Bowel Diseases, Volume 22, Number 12, December 2016.

- Sigrid Blome Eberwein, MD, of the Burn Recovery Center, presented at two meetings in January. At the North American Burn Society 35th Meeting in Breckenridge, CO, she presented “Patterns and impact of e cigarette related burns,” “Negative pressure wound therapy with installation in burn wounds: first experiences” and “Use of epidermal grafting in a Moh’s surgery nose defect.” At the DAV 2017 Conference in Chur, Switzerland, she presented “Managing the small non healing problem burn wound” and “Use of negative pressure wound therapy with installation in burn wounds: first experiences.”

- Debra Esernio-Jenssen, MD, of the Department of Pediatrics, presented “Advanced topics in sexual abuse” at the APSAC Preconference Institute at the 31st Annual San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment in San Diego, Jan. 31- Feb. 3, She also presented the workshops “Medical neglect” and “You’re getting warmer: moving closer to diagnosing abusive burns” at the conference.

- Sameh Morkous, MD, of the Department of Pediatrics, will present “Intractable epilepsy” as a featured speaker at the Lehigh Valley Epilepsy Education Exchange Spring Conference for the Epilepsy Foundation on May 3.
March 2017 Seminars, Conferences, and Meetings

Department of Education Conferences

- March 7 – Child Maltreatment Hurts Us All; LVH–Cedar Crest Auditorium, 4:30-6:30 p.m. View dates and register online.
- March 25 – Stepping Up Type 2 Diabetes Care: A Practical Approach; LVH–Muhlenberg, 7:45-9:45 a.m. Register online.

For more information, call 610 402 2277, option 1, or visit www.lvhn.org/ce-calendar.

Surgical Grand Rounds

- March 7 – What is MIPS, with Patrick Bailey, MD, Medical Director, Advocacy, American College of Surgeons
- March 21 – Simulation and Competency Based Medical Education, with D. Scott Lind, MD, Professor and Chairman of the Department of Surgery, University of Florida Jacksonville They both take place 7 8 a.m. in the LVH–Cedar Crest Auditorium and will be teleconferenced to LVH Muhlenberg, first floor conference room.

For more information, contact Wendy Hess in the Department of Surgery.

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