

March Madness

“Six games, 223 missed shots, 68 turnovers, 106 personal fouls and 52 missed free throws ... and they went undefeated at 6-0.”

It's early April and undoubtedly many of us have recently been glued to televisions enjoying the excitement of March Madness. If you haven't been watching, perhaps you at least followed along with your bracket. The NCAA men's basketball championship spans nearly a month and consists of 67 games – games that are characterized by upsets, buzzer beaters and incredible performances by talented young college athletes. As a disclaimer, I had to get this report to press before the tournament began and am writing this not knowing who won the title game last week. That said, Go 'Nova!

The statistics above are from the 2017 national champion University of North Carolina Tar Heels' tournament run. Despite the abundant mistakes, the team and its players were not only winners but also crowned champions. I believe there is a correlation between the performance and the achievement of the players on these teams and what we do as doctors and as a health system day in and day out.

Hundreds of thousands of people are watching the NCAA tournament games. Fans, families, boosters and agents (ahem) are sitting in the stands and in their living rooms cheering, jeering and scrutinizing the players' every move. Despite all this, they appear as individuals focused on a team goal. There is much less fanfare in the health care setting – and very few people sitting in stands heckling us as we operate. We as doctors do work through distractions every day to provide patients with the best care. There is an expectation that we attend to every aspect of our patients' health needs, seek out test results, battle with documentation, navigate insurance company hurdles and fulfill the ever-growing administrative requirements of our jobs. We, like these players, are also monitored and judged on our performance based on a variety of metrics.

As my wife – a college athletics administrator – tells me, college athletes are amazingly resilient. They are adept at rebounding from disappointment, moving on from a mistake and focusing on the next possession. The best ones know to not make excuses or complain as the game will pass them by. We as clinicians are also required to quickly bounce back from suboptimal outcomes, interactions with a dissatisfied patient or invariable failures in



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caring for patients. In these cases we must be introspective; we must reflect and learn from these events. We must also stay composed and resilient and move on in caring for our other patients who require our expertise.

These players also care for each other. This is perhaps best seen when they huddle up on the court at key moments in the game. I would guess when they do this they are encouraging and motivating each other to perform at their best. These players are similarly supported by teammates and coaches on their benches. The daily huddles we have implemented in the hospital and other clinical settings serve the same purpose. They allow us to communicate and inspire each other to perform our jobs in a more strategic and effective manner. These huddles promote connection and collegiality between leaders, clinicians and other critical staff while optimizing team-based practice – a care model that has become a trademark of our network.

Back to the stat lines from UNC's championship game in 2017: Perfection may be the goal, and may even be theoretically possible. But the reality is that we will never be perfect in every realm of what we do as clinicians or in the care we provide as a health system. Certainly, as long as we are human and dependent on complex and limited systems, perfection is not realistically feasible. But like the Tar Heels in 2017, and whoever reigned victorious this year, we must strive to continuously improve as doctors, clinical providers and as a system. With focus, resilience and teamwork, we will continue to provide our patients and communities with the championship care they deserve.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joseph E. Patruno'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Joseph E. Patruno, MD
Medical Staff President

Time-Saving Physician Phone Prompt Available

All clinical providers associated with Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN), whether employed by the network or not, should be aware of an option on the Lehigh Valley Physician Group (LVPG) phone tree that will expedite your access to a provider at that practice.

This is how it works:

- When you call an LVPG office, you'll be connected to a 20-second introduction.
- The introduction includes practice name and location, a 911 reminder for medical emergencies and the benefits of registering with MyLVHN.
- Following the introduction, you're presented with several menu options.
- At that point, clinical providers can press "8" and be connected directly to a clinical provider at that practice.
- If there are multiple providers at the practice, you'll have the choice of which provider with whom you wish to speak.

This option is designed to save you precious time in making a connection for your important conversation with an LVPG provider. Please relay this information to your practice manager and staff as well. This option is meant as a rapid communication pathway where a provider needs to discuss a shared patient across our global continuum of care (our Epic shared platform of course is available for these types of communication as well).

For questions or feedback on this article, contact James Demopoulos, Senior Vice President, LVPG Operations, at 484-862-3333.

April 2018: Scholarships Available for Allied Health Professionals

The Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) Advanced Practice Clinician (APC) Executive Council would like to bring to your attention an opportunity to apply for a partial scholarship (or award) to a student pursuing higher education at an accredited education institution in an allied health discipline.

Eligibility requirements for the two scholarships offered are listed below. Application submissions must be received by May 1, 2018.

The Mabel W. Riker Memorial Endowment Fund

Full-time employees of LVHN who pursue higher education at an accredited educational institution in an allied health discipline are eligible. Recipient must be:

- A full-time employee in good standing with LVHN for a period of not less than one year pursuing higher education at an accredited education institution in an allied health discipline
- Must be a high school graduate or GED recipient of a public high school in Pennsylvania, with first preference given to high school graduates of the Allentown School District
- Any eligible full-time employee who requires educational financial assistance and who has been accepted to an allied health program at an accredited college or university

There will be two awards of \$6,000. A recipient shall be the accepted student who submits a completed application to the APC Executive Council Selection Committee, including two references, no later than May 1, 2018. To be considered for an award from the fund, the student must meet the above-mentioned requirements and then have his or her qualifications evaluated in light of the entire field of applicants. The decision of the selection committee is final.

The Margaret E. Berger Endowment for Allied Health Education Fund

Recipient must be:

- A full-time employee in good standing with LVHN for a period of not less than one year
- Must be a high school graduate or GED recipient of a public high school in Pennsylvania, with first preference given to high school graduates of the Allentown School District
- Any eligible full-time employee, immediate family member of the above or an individual from the community meeting the eligibility criteria who requires educational financial assistance and who has been accepted to an allied health program at an accredited college or university.

There will be two awards of \$1,000. A recipient shall be the accepted student who submits a completed application to the APC Executive Council Selection Committee, including two references, no later than May 1, 2018. To be considered for an award from the fund, the student must meet the above-mentioned requirements and then have his or her qualifications evaluated in light of the entire field of applicants. The decision of the selection committee is final.

For questions or feedback on this article, contact [Evelyn Edwards](#) in Medical Staff Services.



26th Annual Golf and Tennis Classic

Lehigh Valley Health Network's 26th Annual Golf and Tennis Classic will be held Monday, May 21, at Saucon Valley Country Club.

For sponsorship information, contact [Sandi Marsh](#) at **484-884-9119**.

Chronic Pain and Addiction Medicine Symposium Scheduled

The Chronic Pain and Addiction Medicine Symposium will be held Saturday, April 28, at Lehigh Valley Hospital–Cedar Crest. The event will take place 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) Employee Auditorium.

The target audience is LVHN clinicians: MD, DO, NP, PA.

Sessions include:

- Chronic Pain Toolkit Review: Pennsylvania Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
- Addiction Medicine
- Medical Marijuana
- Physical Medicine
- Alternative Approaches to Chronic Pain
- Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies

Registration deadline is Thursday, April 26. To complete electronic registration for this free event, please go to go.activecalendar.com/lvhn-doe and search for the event by title or date. You will receive an email confirmation of your registration.

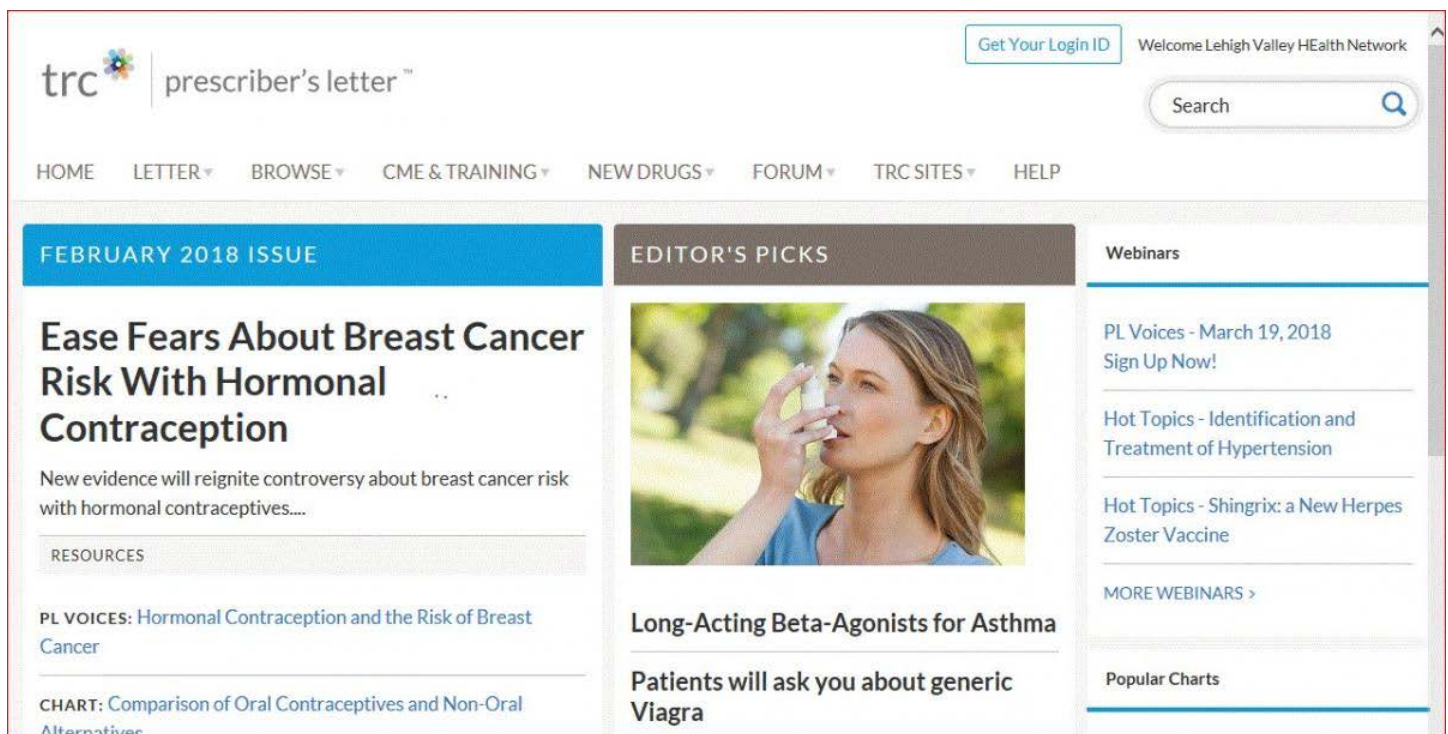
For questions, please contact LVHN Department of Education at **610-402-2277, option 1**.

Prescriber's Letter Has a New Interface

Prescriber's Letter has a new look but continues to provide the same quality information that it always has. It features:

- Modern design to enhance readability, browsing and sharing
- Simplified navigation to explore the latest recommendations
- Updated, intuitive search to find what you need, fast
- Mobile friendly format for your phone and tablet

You can navigate through the site via drop-down menus at the top of each page. You also can read the current issue and search past issues, and search charts, patient education topics and new drugs.



The screenshot shows the Prescriber's Letter website interface. At the top left is the logo for 'trc | prescriber's letter™'. To the right is a 'Get Your Login ID' button and a welcome message: 'Welcome Lehigh Valley HHealth Network'. A search bar is located on the right side of the header. Below the header is a navigation menu with links: HOME, LETTER, BROWSE, CME & TRAINING, NEW DRUGS, FORUM, TRC SITES, and HELP. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column features a blue header for 'FEBRUARY 2018 ISSUE' and a large article titled 'Ease Fears About Breast Cancer Risk With Hormonal Contraception'. Below the article is a 'RESOURCES' section with links for 'PL VOICES: Hormonal Contraception and the Risk of Breast Cancer' and 'CHART: Comparison of Oral Contraceptives and Non-Oral Alternatives'. The middle column has a dark header for 'EDITOR'S PICKS' and a photo of a woman taking a pill. Below the photo are two article titles: 'Long-Acting Beta-Agonists for Asthma' and 'Patients will ask you about generic Viagra'. The right column has a white header for 'Webinars' and lists three webinar topics: 'PL Voices - March 19, 2018 Sign Up Now!', 'Hot Topics - Identification and Treatment of Hypertension', and 'Hot Topics - Shingrix: a New Herpes Zoster Vaccine'. Below the webinars is a 'MORE WEBINARS >' link and a 'Popular Charts' section.

Sign up to use Prescriber's Letter on your mobile device. Here are iPhone instructions:

1. Start the Safari browser. The Safari icon may be on your home screen, or you may need to swipe your screen to the left in order to find it.
2. Type "Prescriber's Letter" in the address bar.
3. Tap the Share icon (it looks like a square with an arrow at the bottom of the screen).
4. Select "Add to Home Screen." You're looking for an "Add to Home Screen" choice in the row of icons just above the "Cancel" button. You may need to swipe up the menu to the left to view this choice.

5. Confirm your selection. A window should pop up asking you to confirm that you want to add a Prescriber's Letter shortcut (or icon) to your Home screen.
6. Your new shortcut is ready! The Prescriber's Letter shortcut should now be on the Home screen. You'll see the TRC Healthcare logo right above the words "Prescriber's Letter."

Here are Android instructions:

1. Start the Chrome browser. The Chrome icon may be on your Home screen, or you may need to tap the "Apps" icon and find the Chrome icon under the list of your apps.
2. Type "Prescriber's Letter" in the address bar.
3. Tap the Menu icon (upper right). The Menu icon is usually three vertical dots. You should see a list of menu choices (i.e., New Tab, New Incognito Tab, Bookmarks, Recent Tabs, History, Share, Print and Find in Page).
4. Select "Add to Home Screen." You're looking for an "Add to Home Screen" choice in the row of icons just above the "Cancel" button. You may need to swipe up the menu to the left to view this choice.
5. Confirm your selection. A window should pop up asking you to confirm that you want to add a Prescriber's Letter shortcut to your Home screen. Tap "ADD."
6. Your new shortcut is ready! The Prescriber's Letter shortcut should now be on the Home screen. You'll see the TRC Healthcare logo right above the words "Prescriber's Letter."

Once the shortcut has been created, you will be prompted to enter your CE ID and password for full access.

Visit the Digital Library website through your site's LVHN intranet:

- On site at Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)—Cedar Crest/17th Street and LVH—Muhlenberg: From the intranet homepage, click on FIND FAST then choose Library Services.
- On site at LVH—Hazleton: From the intranet homepage, click on Library Services.
- On site at LVH—Schuylkill: From the intranet homepage, click on Library Services & Patient Ed.
- On site at LVH—Pocono: From the intranet homepage, click on Library Services & Patient Ed.

If you have any questions, please contact Library Services at 610-402-8410 or email us at libraryservices@lvhn.org.

April 2018 Papers, Publications and Presentations

- Sigrid A. Blome-Eberwein, MD, of the Burn Center, presented at three conferences. She presented “Use of a lactic acid based biodegradable skin substitute in second-degree burn care” at the 2017 Southern Regional Burn Conference, Miami, Nov. 3, 2017. She presented “Do fractional epidermal micrografts have a role in burn surgery?” and “The long and painful road of burn reconstruction; this is the face I dream of” at DAV 2018, Germany, Jan. 11, 2018. She presented a poster, “Patient oriented and wound specific negative pressure wound therapy in burn wound treatment” on Jan. 28, 2018, “Prospective evaluation of simultaneous fractional CO2 laser and topical steroid scar treatment” on Jan. 30, 2018, and “Negative pressure wound therapy with instillation use in a burn unit” on Jan. 31, 2018, all at the 41st Annual Boswick Burn & Wound Symposium, Maui, Hawaii.
- Hamed Amani, MD, of the Burn Center presented “Use of new, synthetic dermal matrix in reconstruction of complex wounds resulting from necrotizing soft tissue infection, electrical and thermal burns” on Jan. 28, 2018, at the 41st Annual Boswick Burn & Wound Symposium, Maui, Hawaii.
- Debra Esernio-Jenssen, MD, of the Department of Pediatrics, presented “In the belly of the whale: surviving thoracoabdominal trauma” and “Advanced issues in child sexual abuse” at the 32nd San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment, Jan. 28-Feb. 2, 2018.
- Ronald Freudenberger, MD, MBA, Physician in Chief, Lehigh Valley Heart Institute, authored an article, “Risk scores—medical derivatives.” It was published in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology, Volume 71, Number 7, February 2018.
- Rosa Gomez-DeJesus, MD, of the Department of Pediatrics, and Jennifer Mathew, DO, PL3 Pediatric resident, co-presented a poster, “Healthy Latinas, a nutrition and fitness program,” on March 16, 2018, at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine, Seattle.
- Kris Rooney, MD, of the Department of Pediatrics, co-authored a chapter, “Care of premature infant,” in 5 Minute Consult (5MinuteConsult.com), along with Osman Abbasi, DO, PL4 Emergency Medicine resident, and Michael Nguyen, MD, Emergency Medicine physician.

April 2018 Upcoming Seminars, Conferences and Meetings

Department of Education Conferences

- April 9 – 11th Annual Ethics Symposium: So You've Made a Diagnosis? What Now?; DeSales University, Center Valley, Pa., 7:15 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- April 18 – Innovations in Education; LVH–Cedar Crest, Anderson Family Pavilion, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- April 19 – Cardiology for the Primary Care Physician–Schuylkill; Schuylkill Country Club, Orwigsburg, Pa., 5:30-8 p.m.
- April 28 – Chronic Pain and Addiction Medicine Symposium; LVH–Cedar Crest, Employee Auditorium, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

For details, call 610 402 2277, option 1, or go.activecalendar.com/LVHN-DOE.

Pediatric Grand Rounds

- April 10 – Pediatric Oncology Outreach, with Julie Stern, MD, of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; LVH–Cedar Crest Kasych Family Pavilion ECC Room 6, 8-9 a.m.
- April 17 – Faculty Focus Week, with Stuart Slavin, MD; LVH–Cedar Crest Kasych Family Pavilion ECC Room 6, 8-9 a.m.
- April 24 – Topic TBA, with Jennifer Mathew, DO, PGY-III; LVH–Cedar Crest Kasych Family Pavilion ECC Room 6, 8-9 a.m.

For more information, contact [Cari Cleffi](#) in the Department of Pediatrics at 484-862-3131.

Who's New—April 2018

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MEDICAL STAFF

New Appointments

Effective April 3, 2018

John P. Brennan, MD

(Health Network Laboratories – Daniel F. Brown, MD, MBA)

Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

Anatomic Pathology

Cytopathology, Gastrointestinal Pathology

Health Network Laboratories

Lehigh Valley Hospital

Cedar Crest & I-78, PO Box 689

Allentown, PA 18105-1556

Phone: 610-402-8140 Fax: 610-402-1691

Education: Scranton University – BS-Biology

Thomas Jefferson University – MD

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital - Pathology Residency

Lankenau Hospital – Cytopathology Fellowship

Provisional Active

Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 04/02/2018

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Theodore Ostermann, MD

(Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley – Devang Gor, MD)

Radiology

Diagnostic Radiology

Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley, PC

Lehigh Valley Diagnostic Imaging

1230 S Cedar Crest Blvd

Allentown, PA 18103-6367

Phone: 610-435-1600

Education: University of Alberta – BSc Physics

University of Alberta, Faculty of Medicine – MD
St. Thomas Hospital – Diagnostic Radiology Internship
St. Thomas Hospital – Diagnostic Radiology Residency
Provisional Active
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018
LVH, LVH-M, LVH-H, LVH-S

Pratik M. Parikh, DO

(LVH-M Emergency Medicine – David B. Burmeister, DO)
Emergency and Hospital Medicine
Emergency Medicine
LVPG Pediatric Surgical Specialties-1210 Cedar Crest
1210 S Cedar Crest Blvd, Suite 1100
Allentown, PA 18103-6241
Phone: 610-402-7999 Fax: 610-402-7995
Education: New York University – BA-Biology and Psychology
Rowan School of Osteopathic Medicine - DO
Lehigh Valley Health Network – Emergency Medicine Residency
Provisional Limited Duty
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018
LVH, LVH-M

Shaymal Mozumdar, MD

(LVPG Internal Medicine-Nazareth Road)
Medicine
General Internal Medicine
LVPG Internal Medicine- South Greenwood
3735 Nazareth Road, Suite 301
Bethlehem, PA 18045-8347
Phone: 610-829-2200 Fax: 610-829-9763
Education: Maulana Azad Medical College, Delhi University – MBBS
Jamaica Hospital Medical Center – Internal Medicine Residency
Provisional Active
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018
LVH, LVH-M

Ramya S. Pasunuri, MD

(EmCare – Lori A. Lawson, MD)
Emergency and Hospital Medicine
Emergency Medicine
EmCare
Lehigh Valley Hospital-Schuylkill
700 E Norwegian Street
Pottsville, PA 17901-2710
Phone: 610-402-8950 Fax: 610-402-1059
Education: Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University - MD

Cleveland Clinic – Fairview Hospital – Internal Medicine Internship
Cleveland Clinic – Fairview Hospital – Internal Medicine Residency
Provisional Active
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018
LVH-S

Brian M. Popko, MD

(LVPG-Emergency Medicine – David B. Burmeister, DO)
Emergency and Hospital Medicine
Emergency Medicine
LVPG-Emergency Medicine
Lehigh Valley Hospital,
Cedar Crest & I-78, PO Box 689
Allentown, PA 18105-1556
Phone: 484-862-3232 Fax: 484-862-3250
Education Washington & Jefferson College – BA-Psychology
Medical College of Pennsylvania – MD
Mt. Sinai Hospital – Emergency Medicine Residency
MetroHealth Medical Center – Emergency Medicine Residency
Provisional Active
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 04/01/2018
LVH, LVH-M, LVH-H

Ashley M. Quinlan, DPM

(Allentown Family Foot Care, PC – Raymond A. Fritz, Jr., DPM)
Surgery
Podiatric Surgery
Allentown Family Foot Care,PC
2414 Walbert Avenue
Allentown, PA 18104-1326
Phone: 610-434-7000 Fax: 610-434-7029
Education: University of Delaware – BA-Biology
Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine – DPM
St. John Hospital & Medical Center – Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residency
Provisional Active
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018
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Resignations

Russell H. Harris, MD
Emergency and Hospital Medicine
Hospital Medicine
(EmCare)
Active
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02/12/2018

Eric S. Holender, DO

Surgery

Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery

(ORL Associates)

Active

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02/16/2018

Michael J. La Rock, MD

Medicine

General Internal Medicine

(LVPG Internal Medicine-3080 Hamilton Blvd.)

Active

02/10/2018

Robert D. Reinhart, MD

Radiology-Diagnostic Medical Imaging

Diagnostic Radiology

(Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley, PC)

Cardiovascular-Interventional Radiology

Active

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02/12/2018

Nancy K. Spangler, MD

Medicine

General Internal Medicine

(OAA Orthopedic Specialists)

Affiliate

01/30/2018

Andrew M. Wakstein, DO

Surgery

Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery

(ORL Associates)

Active

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02/16/2018

Name Change

Mallory E. Spotts, PA-C to Mallory E. Brennan, PA-C

LVPG Neurology-1250 Cedar Crest

Medicine

Allied Health Staff – New Appointments

Effective April 3, 2018

Brittany N. Carver

Emergency Department Scribe

ScribeAmerica

One City Center

PO Box 1806

Allentown, PA 18105-1806

Phone: 484-862-3232 Fax: 484-862-3250

Supervising Physician: John F. Wheary, DO

Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/13/2018

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Lauren Daniels, LPC

Licensed Professional Counselor

LVPG Adult and Pediatric Psychiatry-1259 Cedar Crest 1250 S Cedar Crest Blvd, Suite 230

Allentown, PA 18103-6376

Phone: 610-402-5900 Fax: 610-402-5656

Supervising Physician: Susan D. Wiley, MD

Appointment Date: 04/03/2018

LVH, LVH-M

Jesus L. Magalona, CST

Certified Surgical Technician

LVPG Orthopedics and Sports Medicine

1250 S Cedar Crest Blvd

Allentown, PA 18103-6224

Phone: 610-402-8900 Fax: 610-402-5656

Supervising Physician: Eric B. Leppy, MD

Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018

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Keith G. O'Hara

Mapping Support Specialist

Boston Scientific

4100 Hamline Avenue N

St. Paul, MN 55112-5798

Phone: 800-227-3422 Fax: 877-227-6002

Supervising Physician: Hari P. Joshi, MD

Appointment Date: 04/03/2018

Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018

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Cynthia A. Payonk, CRNP

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
LVPG Endocrinology-1243 Cedar Crest
1243 S Cedar Crest Blvd
Allentown, PA 18103-6230
Phone: 610-402-6790 Fax: 610-402-6979
Supervising Physician: Marc A. Vengrove, DO
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/26/2018
LVH, LVH-M

Susan G. Cooke, RNFA

Registered Nurse First Assist
OAA Orthopaedic Specialists
250 Cetronia Road, Second Floor
Allentown, PA 18104-9168
Phone: 610-973-6200 Fax: 610-973-6546
Supervising Physician: Stephen P. Falatyn, MD
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018
Temporary Privileges: 03/03/2018
LVH, LVH-M

Keandra A. Koons, RD

Registered Dietitian
Sodexo Dietitians
Lehigh Valley Hospital-Schuylkill
700 E Norwegian Street, 3rd Floor Wellness Center
Pottsville, PA 17901-2710
Phone: 570-621-4264 Fax: 570-621-4928
Supervising Physician: Robert J. Thurick, II, DO
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018
LVH-S

David B. McAllister, CRNP

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
Adfinitas Health
150 Ice Lake Drive
Mountain Top, PA 18707-9654
Phone: 570-647-8990 Fax: 570-261-2015
Supervising Physician: Louis J. O'Boyle, MD
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/08/2018
LVH-H

Jeannie K. Ong, PharmD

Pharmacist
Aids Activities Office

Lehigh Valley Hospital
17th & Chew, PO Box 7017
Allentown, PA 18105-7017
Phone: 610-969-2400 Fax: 610-969-2195
Supervising Physician: Joseph L. Yozviak, DO
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018
LVH, LVH-M

Heidi L. Stertz, PA-C

Certified Physician Assistant
LVPG Family and Internal Medicine-Alliance Drive
Lehigh Valley Physician Group-Hazleton
1000 Alliance Drive
Hazleton, PA 18202-3234
Phone: 570-459-2226 Fax: 570-459-2511
Supervising Physician: Richard B. Russell, DO
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018 Temporary Privileges: 03/12/2018
LVH-S

Altin Wood, CRNP

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
LVPG-Neonatology
Lehigh Valley Hospital
Cedar Crest & I-78, PO Box 689
Allentown, PA 18105-1556
Phone: 610-402-7632 Fax: 610-402-7600
Supervising Physician: Wendy J. Kowalski, MD
Appointment Date: 04/03/2018
Temporary Privileges: 03/12/2018
LVH-S

Resignations

Deborah R. Miller, CRNP
Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
(LVPG-Pediatrics)
Allied Health
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02/09/2018

Rachel M. Morcette, PA-C
Physician Assistant-Certified
(LVHN Robotic Surgery)
Allied Health
LVH LVH-M
03/03/2018

Connor P. Murphy
Emergency Department Scribe
(ScribeAmerica)
Provisional Allied Health
LVH LVH-M
07/01/2017

Lauren D. Rindo
Pacemaker/ICD Technician
(Biotronik, Inc.)
Allied Health
LVH LVH-M
03/01/2018

Alaeddin M. Taher, CCP
Perfusionist
(LVHN Perfusion Services)
Allied Health
LVH LVH-M
02/09/2018

Jessica L. Thompson, PA-C
Physician Assistant-Certified
(Eastern Pennsylvania Gastroenterology and Liver Specialists, PC)
Allied Health
LVH LVH-M
02/09/2018

Change of Supervising Physician

Robinel O. Tongol, CRNA
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist
(Hazleton Anesthesia Services/Somnia, Inc.)
From: Tony H. Tseng, MD
To: Randy S. Cohen, MD
Allied Health
LVH-H
04/03/2018

Change of Supervising Physician and Group

Jeffrey P. Kulsa, CRNP
Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner

From: Adfinitas Health - Anthony Valente, MD

To: LVPG Hazelton – Cardiology - Yaqoob A. Mohyuddin, MD

Allied Health

LVH-H

04/03/2018

Additional Supervising Physician and Group

Tylynn E. Cofer, LCSW

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

(Child Protection Medicine – 17th and Chew - Debra D. Esernio-Jenssen, MD)

Addition of: LVPG Adult and Pediatric Psychiatry-1259 Cedar Crest – Susan D. Wiley, MD

Allied Health

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04/03/2018



APC Executive Council Leadership Opportunities

The Lehigh Valley Health Network Advanced Practice Clinician (APC) Executive Council has announced future council member positions that will be available, with terms to start Oct. 1, 2018:

- President
- President-Elect
- Two At-Large Member seats

Nominations are currently being sought for these positions. Nominate yourself or nominate a colleague (as long as you have their approval!). Send a brief nomination statement indicating your interest to **michele.hartzell@LVHN.org**.

The APC will actively participate in projects and committee work throughout the year in addition to attending monthly APC executive council meeting and the quarterly general APC membership meeting.

Upcoming APC Skills Workshop Series

The Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) Department of Education invites network advanced practice clinicians to the following skills workshops:

Advanced Suturing Techniques

- Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 5 to 7 p.m.
- Facilitator: Rachel Moyer, PA-C
- Surgery Education Center, Lehigh Valley Hospital (LVH)–Cedar Crest, Kasych Family Pavilion Level B, Allentown
- To register: <http://go.activecalendar.com/lvhn-doe/site/internal/event/apc-skills-workshop-series--advanced-suturing-techniques-1/>

Chronic Opioid Pain Management

- Tuesday, May 8, 5 to 7 p.m.
- Facilitators: Gillian Beauchamp, MD, and Kevin McNeill, MD
- LVHN Sim Center, MP Room 2, Allentown
- To register: <http://go.activecalendar.com/lvhn-doe/site/internal/event/apc-skills-workshop-series--chronic-opioid-pain-management/>

Incision and Drainage of Abscesses

- Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 8 to 10 a.m.
- Facilitator: Guillermo Garcia, MD
- LVHN Sim Center, 1247 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., 2nd Floor, MP Room 2, Allentown
- To register: <http://go.activecalendar.com/lvhn-doe/site/internal/event/apc-skills-workshop-series--incision-and-drainage-of-abscesses/>

Orthopedic Skills: Splinting Basics

- Tuesday, July 10, 2018, 3 to 5 p.m.
- Facilitator: John Klaman, PA-C
- LVHN Sim Center, 1247 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., 2nd floor, MP Room 2, Allentown
- To register: <http://go.activecalendar.com/lvhn-doe/site/internal/event/apc-skills-workshop-series--orthopedic-skills---splinting-basics-2/>

Basic Suturing Techniques

- Tuesday, July 10, 2018, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- Facilitator: Justin Stauffer, PA-C
- Surgery Education Center, LVH–Cedar Crest, Kasych Family Pavilion Level B, Allentown
- To register: <http://go.activecalendar.com/lvhn-doe/site/internal/event/apc-skills-workshop-series--basic-suturing-techniques-3/>

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