A PASSION FOR BETTER MEDICINE.
I’ve come to appreciate that satisfaction, both personal and professional, is really about maintaining “balance” in and out of work, nurturing relationships that will help get us through our good and bad days, and creating “margin” in our lives to protect us from running on empty. So easy to say, not so easy to do!

I think Dr. Truscott’s greatest gift was to help me moderate my expectations in the context of a long career in medicine. I had to confront the notion that I’d work more efficiently as I gained experience, and that I would be making MORE and MORE money as time went on. I started to look a little differently at the things that I thought I needed in my life. I practiced being content with the things I had. I had to learn to prioritize (and enjoy) the simple rituals of life with family and friends — birthdays, picnics and kids’ soccer games — that were frequently competing with professional duties or with dreams of more exotic “stuff.” Talking over this message with my wife and family influenced our saving behavior, our vacation decisions — even our choices about schools. Bill’s advice helped us focus on quality and value, not quantity. Learning to live within our means financially freed us up to recapture other things that were becoming scarce — time, relationships with those we loved, and the silence needed to think, plan, rest or pray.

American cultural expectations are not likely to change any time soon (see lyrics from Don Henley’s song “Gimme what you got” in the sidebar). However, health care reform and fiscal cliff wranglings inform us that as a nation, we are living beyond our means. Instead of “more,” attention will be focused on quality and value. Payments for hospitals and physicians are increasingly going to be “bundled” and based on performance measures. What are our financial expectations in this future era? How can we preserve and build on meaningful relationships with our patients, our colleagues and those we love? What can help us create “margin” in our lives — especially in the areas where it counts? I don’t pretend to have answers to all these questions. I know that a variety of authors are publishing suggestions to help us. I hope to explore some of their works in a future column. In the meantime, we can start to ponder for ourselves that fatherly advice I was grateful to receive: “One of the keys to enjoying your life and career is to learn how to live within your means.” This month, get out and enjoy the simple joys that Springtime brings!

Robert J. Motley, MD
Medical Staff President

...From Main Street to Wall Street to Washington
From men to women to men
It's a nation of noses pressed up against the glass
They've seen it on the TV
And they want it pretty fast
You spend your whole life just pilin' it up there
You got stacks and stacks and stacks
Then, Gabriel comes and taps you on the shoulder
But you don't see no hearses with luggage racks
Gimme, gimme what you got
I said gimme, gimme what you got
Gimme What You Got
lyrics © Warner/Chappell Music, Inc., Don Henley/Glenn Frey/Eagles

AT-LARGE MEMBERS NEEDED FOR MEDICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
The LVHN Medical Staff Nominating Committee is currently soliciting nominations for five at-large seats on the Medical Executive Committee, each for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2013.

Nominations should be submitted in writing or by email to Jarret R. Patton, MD, Chair of the Nominating Committee, via the Medical Staff Services office, Cedar Crest & I-78, or John W. Hart, Vice President, Medical Staff Services. All nominations must be submitted by Friday, May 10, 2013.

If you have any questions regarding these nominations, please contact Dr. Patton or Mr. Hart at 610-402-8980.

Robert J. Motley, MD
Medical Staff President
SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS AT LVH-CEDAR CREST

As part of an ongoing commitment to keep patients safe and secure, visitors are now required to wear a visitor badge while visiting patients on the following units at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest:

- Transitional Trauma Unit (TTU)
- Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)
- Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU)
- Labor and Delivery
- Perinatal Unit
- Pediatric Inpatient Units 4A and 4B
- Mother-Baby Unit
- Transitional Pediatrics
- Perinatal Unit
- Pediatric Inpatient Units 4A and 4B
- Mother-Baby Unit

All visitors over age 6 – including family members and Lehigh Valley Health Network employees – are required to wear a badge, which can be picked up at the hospital’s main lobby Welcome Desk in exchange for a valid ID (driver’s license, school ID, military ID, etc.). Children under age 6 must be accompanied by an adult with a visitor badge.

If you admit patients to any of these units, please let family members know about the new policy. If you plan to visit a patient in a non-work capacity, please pick up a badge, which allows staff to immediately confirm that a visitor is cleared to be on the unit.

If you have any questions regarding this new requirement, contact Bryan Bednar, Director of Security, at 610-402-1077.

ARE YOU AWARE OF THE RISKS INVOLVED WITH MRI TESTING? by Kristie Lowery, Patient Safety Officer

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is a widely used diagnostic imaging procedure that uses strong magnetic fields and radio waves to produce cross-sectional images of organs and internal structures in the body. MRI does not use harmful ionizing radiation and there are no known side effects associated with temporary exposures to the strong magnetic field used by MRI scanners.

The radio waves are an energy source that is repeatedly cycled on and off to obtain the images. This energy heats the patient and poses safety concerns that must be considered before performing an MRI study. While most are aware of the vigilant research and clearance done for implanted devices, a lesser known concern is the potential for burning patients. Patients can receive a significant burn in the MRI scanner due to various contributing factors. These include compression of the skin resulting in poor perfusion of the tissue, skin to skin contact in the area being imaged, snug fit inside the scanner, and metal and tattoos near the area of interest. Patients who require sedation, often for multiple studies, are particularly vulnerable because of decreased sensitivity to pain that may result from burning and an inability to communicate or respond to questions.

Lehigh Magnetic Imaging Center has implemented the following measures to decrease the risk of burns to patients:

- Reducing the radiofrequency and resultant heating caused by energy absorption for patients who are sedated or cannot communicate.
- Finding alternative protocols to reduce scanning time. This often requires communication with the ordering provider.
- Communicating with the ordering provider about non-compliant patients who refuse to remove clothing, jewelry, or other items that can result in heating.
- Placing electrodes carefully to avoid arcing and burning in patients being anesthetized.
- Changing out of street clothes and into hospital gowns.
- Removing medication patches from the skin.

MRI scans are a valuable diagnostic test that can be performed safely without harm to the patient. These precautions for patients who cannot communicate will help to prevent an adverse outcome.

If you have any questions regarding this topic, contact: Lynn Fowler-Blatt at Lehigh Magnetic Imaging Center at 610-740-9500 x3119.
Centricity Enterprise Upgrade Coming This Spring

This spring, Centricity Enterprise will be upgraded from version 6.1 to version 6.10.2. This upgrade is needed to prepare for the implementation of future Meaningful Use requirements. The go-live is scheduled to take place during the evening of Friday, May 17.

Changes that will impact providers include:

- **There will be a new process for adding an admitting problem.**
  This will replace the “Admitting Reason” field on the admitting order. This is a most significant change — you are strongly encouraged to review this at a drop-in session.

- **Discontinue an Order — Current Order Information screen now has a note — “You must click a button to change the order.”** The Enter key will not work.

- **Doc Display screen — document list will now display at the top of the screen and the actual document will display at the bottom.** There will no longer be side-by-side displays.

- **Growth charts will be available.**

- **A red “x” will now appear when erroneous information is entered into a field.**

- **All screens will appear more modern.**

Beginning in April, there will be scheduled drop-in sessions at LVH-Cedar Crest and LVH-Muhlenberg. These sessions will allow you to see screen changes and changes to workflows. It will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to review the new changes. Please refer to the adjoining schedule for training dates, times, and locations.

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Eye Drops – Accuracy is in the Eye of the Orderer

Beginning this month, the route on all eye drop orders will be blank. You will be required to choose from a drop-down menu of: OS, OD, or OU. The change is to optimize patient care and reduce confusion by nursing during medication administration (regarding route and which eye).

If you have questions regarding either of these items, please contact Don Levick, MD, MBA, Chief Medical Information Officer, at 610-402-2480 or via email.
The goal of the Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) Patient-Centered Experience (PCE) initiative is to give patients and their loved ones the best possible health care experience. Through PCE, the health network is reaching out to the Plain Community to better understand and meet their unique needs.

PCE Outcomes: LVHN’s burn outreach liaison has built a strong, trusting relationship with the Plain Community. As a result, Plain Community members receiving care in the Regional Burn Center are now permitted, with clinical supervision, to apply a homemade burn-and-wound ointment and to dress wounds with burdock leaves. The process, which was medically validated by Daniel D. Lozano, MD, Chief, Division of Burn, also demonstrates respect for the community’s cultural traditions. In addition, teams from the health network have been meeting with Plain Community representatives to address stereotypes and discuss roadblocks to effective care delivery.

Why it’s important to you: “Understanding and respecting cultural needs extends beyond the Plain Community,” says Bruce A. Ellsweig, MD, Vice Chair of Family Medicine for Community Practices. “The strategies and tools our team is perfecting through this initiative will serve as a model for approaching other distinct groups and cultures. It’s smart medicine and the epitome of patient-centered care.”

Next step: Want to learn more about providing culturally appropriate care? Call LVHN diversity and cultural awareness liaison Judy Sabino at 484-884-0120.

LEHIGH VALLEY HEALTH NETWORK

Meet Our Students — Class of 2015

**Kirk Chassey**

**Hometown:** Easton, Pa.

**Undergraduate College:** Pennsylvania State University

**Major:** Exercise Physiology

**Hobbies/Interests:** Long walks on the beach, resistance training, golf, running, softball, reading and cooking

**Why did you choose SELECT?**

“The SELECT program presents itself as a rare opportunity to applicants. First and foremost, there is malleability to the curriculum that aids in catering to each individual and his/her goals. Secondly, there is an inordinate amount of resources available to constantly further my learning. My professional development coaches know me on a level more like a friend or family member than an advisor. They understand my ambition and more importantly my weaknesses. Using that information, they have added a level of personalization and specificity to my curriculum that no other school could provide. They are a constant engine that drives me to achieve more and better myself for the good of my future patients.”

**Future Goals/Interests:**

“I have a passion for healing the critically ill and was fortunate enough to get a year of experience as a tech in LVHN’s Emergency Department while applying to school. Emergency Medicine is my clear frontrunner, but I would like more experience in Trauma Surgery and Intensive Care.”

For more information, contact Michael J. La Rock, MD, Division of General Internal Medicine and Associate Clinical Professor, Morsani College of Medicine, USF Health, at michael.j.larock@lvhn.org.
**PHYSICIAN DOCUMENTATION**

**ICD-10 Q & A**

**What is ICD-10?**

ICD-10 is the tenth version of the International Classification of Diseases coding system for all diagnoses and hospital procedures.

In the U.S., there will be two parts: ICD-10-CM — the diagnosis code set affecting everyone in every setting (outpatient and inpatient), and ICD-10-PCS — the procedure code set for all inpatient procedures.

The current ICD-9 coding system consists of about 18,000 codes while the new ICD-10 system will contain over 156,000 codes. Greater specificity of documentation will be required to distinguish between the larger numbers of codes.

**Why are we changing to ICD-10?**

ICD-9 is 33 years old and obsolete. It lacks specificity and has no room left for adding new diagnoses or procedures. The U.S. is the last industrialized country to switch to ICD-10, which has been in effect around the world since the early 1990s.

The new, more detailed codes of ICD-10 will allow for better analysis of disease patterns and treatment outcomes that can advance medical care. These same details will streamline claims submissions since these details will make the initial claim much easier for payers to understand.

**When does ICD-10 start?**

October 1, 2014.

**Is there a grace period?**

NO. Therefore, any claim with a service date of October 1, 2014 or beyond must include proper ICD-10 codes or it will be rejected or denied.

**Will it affect me?**

Yes, everyone in healthcare; all provider operations (from the front desk to billing and reimbursement) and every aspect of the healthcare system (hospitals, offices, health plans and patients) will be affected.

**What about CPT and HCPCS?**

Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) will continue to be used for provider charges and outpatient procedures only.

**How can I prepare?**

- Start learning about ICD-10 now if you haven’t already! Some helpful websites include:
  - [http://www.ahima.org/ICD10/default.aspx](http://www.ahima.org/ICD10/default.aspx)
- It is recommended that you check with all of your vendors to be sure their systems will be ICD-10 ready in time.
- Check with your manager to be sure all phases of your department, office, and business are prepared.
- Research your most commonly used diagnoses and procedures in ICD-9 and then find out the new documentation requirements in ICD-10 for those same diagnoses and procedures.
- LVHN and LVPG will assist you by providing education and training sessions on specialty-specific ICD-10 code sets over the next 18 months. Additionally, to facilitate the flow of information, physician/provider ICD-10 champions for each Department are currently being identified by their respective Department Chairs.

If you have any questions, please contact John P. Pettine, MD, FACP, CCDS, Director, Clinical Documentation Improvement Program, via email at john.pettine@lvhn.org.
**DRUG SHORTAGES**

Drug shortages continue to create supply chain and patient safety concerns across the U.S. Since 2004, it is reported that a 300% increase has occurred, and the pharmacy is currently managing 55 different drug shortages. Unfortunately, there appears to be no end in sight for the foreseeable future. The LVHN Pharmacy has employed several strategies to assure procurement, communication, and patient safety remains at the forefront of its practice. These include:

- Weekly huddles with all members of pharmacy purchasing, clinical, and management staff in addition to a representative from anesthesia. This huddle allows the team to communicate information across sites, share drugs when necessary, and update the quantities of drugs on shortage data bases. In addition, CAPOE updates and revisions are planned to provide information at the time of drug order entry.
- Development of a SharePoint site to provide transparent communication throughout all LVHN hospital pharmacies providing the most up-to-date supply information for the staff.
- Weekly communication to the medical staff and nursing staff on important changes.

Next steps include:
- Further engaging the LVHN Therapeutics Committee to oversee the activities related to drug shortages.
- Committing medical staff resources to authorize prioritization of drug utilization when our supplies are nearing depletion.
- Working more closely with Supply Distribution colleagues to manage drug shortages.
- To continue assessing and improving communication efforts to the medical staff.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding drug shortages, please contact Robert Begliomini, RPh, PharmD, Administrator, Department of Pharmacy Services, at 610-402-8881.

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**LVPHO QUALITY INCENTIVES**

As part of the Lehigh Valley Physician Hospital Organization’s (LVPHO) performance based incentive plan, Achieving Clinical Excellence, LVPHO offers incentives to GLVIPA physicians and practice-based advanced practice clinicians for completing the following quality improvement education and projects:

1) A $200 incentive is available for completion of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) Quality Improvement (QI) course. To receive the incentive, a certificate of completion must be submitted to LVPHO. To register for the course, go to:

2) Quality projects: Incentives are provided for the development and completion of distinct and unique projects that demonstrate improvements in the quality and efficiency of patient care. Up to $2,500 is available for completing a QI project. Examples of completed Quality Improvement projects include:

- Improving the screening, counseling, and documentation of various elements of primary and preventive care in an OB/GYN office setting
  - Joseph E. Patruno, MD, project leader
- Implementing CDC recommendations for HIV testing and risk factor screening in clinical practice: A prospective survey of knowledge and perceptions among residents, attending physicians, and office staff
  - Jennifer L. Stephens, DO, project leader

For more information about the Achieving Clinical Excellence incentive program, please contact Joe Candio, Jr., LVPHO Account Executive, at 610-969-0237.
Ethical Challenges of PVS and MCS — Part II: Treatment Decisions
by John P. Lizza, PhD, Professor of Philosophy, Kutztown University

In this installment, the issue of how to treat individuals in persistent vegetative state (PVS) and minimally conscious state (MCS) is addressed. As with other decisions about continuing or withdrawing life-sustaining treatment, health care providers may initially look to advance directives. When lacking advance directives, ethical principles of non-maleficence and beneficence may be invoked. However, it is controversial how these principles apply. Since the prognosis of recovery in many of these cases is low, especially involving PVS, some argue that further treatment is futile and that we risk doing more harm than good to the patient. If we ask what is in the best interest of these patients, the answer is also not so clear. While some argue that the research shows that we should not give up on patients in MCS and those in PVS who may transition to MCS and that much more active treatment is owed to them, others argue that, given the poor prognosis in these cases, continuing life support and treatment subjects these individuals to pain, suffering, and perhaps a fate worse than death.

A final issue involves the consideration of the use of medical resources and distributive justice. Are we justified in devoting limited resources for research and treatment of these patients, given that the prognosis in most cases is not good? Or should those resources be prioritized to patients who are more likely to benefit? This last consideration, which we often tend to avoid addressing head on, may be the most difficult.

In cases of permanent vegetative state in which there is no potential for conscious awareness or any other type of mental function, it is not at all clear that these individuals have any interests at all. As in cases of artificially sustained whole-brain dead bodies, it is questionable whether continued “life support” benefits anyone. Moreover, as Justice Stevens wrote in his Cruzan (1990) dissent, “for patients … who have no consciousness and no chance of recovery, there is a serious question as to whether the mere persistence of their bodies is ‘life’ as that word is commonly understood, or as it is used both in the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.” In such cases, considerations of distributive justice weigh heavily for discontinuing treatment.

In contrast, because patients in MCS are conscious and those in PVS who have the possibility of transitioning to MCS have the potential for consciousness, they clearly have interests that need to be considered. However, since it is unclear in many of these cases what is in their best interest, this uncertainty needs to be taken into account when considering the issue of distributive justice. We need to weigh what may be a more certain benefit for some patients against a more questionable benefit for others. At the same time, we need to recognize the rights and worth of all of these patients, as well as those of future patients in these states. If we limit research on and treatment of current MCS and PVS patients because of their poor prognosis, it will likely delay what could be major advancement in the treatment of future patients in these states. How to balance these ethical considerations will be an increasing challenge as technological “advancement” rolls on.

If you have any questions regarding this or any other Ethics topic, please contact Robert D. Barraco, MD, MPH, Chair, Ethics Committee, at robert.barraco@lvhn.org.
New JAMA Website and Archives Title Changes as of 2013

You can now access JAMA and the AMA’s recently renamed nine specialty Archives journals through one united website: [http://jamanetwork.com](http://jamanetwork.com). The website uses a searching interface to provide accurate search results that target more than just keywords, but also underlying concepts. It links to related content across all 10 journals and provides relevant links from PubMed. This information is accessible from virtually any device.

The journals currently reference their former titles:

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To access these resources through the Digital Library’s Homepage from the LVHN network, go to FIND FAST, select Library Services and click on Journals.

If you have questions regarding these resources, please contact Susan Fink in Library Services at 610-402-8410.

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**LEHIGH VALLEY HEALTH NETWORK**

**Save the Dates for 2013 Special Events**

- **21st Annual Golf and Tennis Classic**
  - Monday, May 20, 2013
  - Saucon Valley Country Club

- **52nd Annual Summer Festival**
  - Wednesday, August 14 through Saturday, August 17, 2013
  - Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg

- **18th Annual Nite Lites Gala**
  - Saturday, October 5, 2013
  - Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg

For more information regarding these events, contact Amy Burrows, Director, Special Events, at 484-884-9223 or via email at amy.burrows@lvhn.org OR Sandi Marsh, Senior Director, Special Events, at 484-884-9119 or via email at sandra.marsh@lvhn.org.
Kate H. Agresti, DO, Department of Family Medicine, was recently certified in Family Medicine by the American Board of Family Medicine. Dr. Agresti has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 2012. She is in practice with Pleasant Valley Family Practice.

Haider Asad, MD, Division of Anatomic Pathology, Section of Gynecologic Pathology, was recently certified in Dermatopathology by the American Board of Pathology. He is also board certified in Anatomic Pathology and Clinical Pathology. Dr. Asad has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2009. He is in practice with Health Network Laboratories.

David S. Bub, MD, Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery, was recently recertified in General Surgery by the American Board of Surgery and in Colon and Rectal Surgery by the American Board of Colon and Rectal Surgery. Dr. Bub has been a member of the Medical Staff since November, 2008, and is in private practice.

Kenneth J. Cavorsi, MD, Division of Diagnostic Radiology, was recently certified in Diagnostic Radiology by the American Board of Radiology. Dr. Cavorsi has been a member of the Medical Staff since October, 2012. He is in practice with Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley, PC.

Michelle L. Gardecki, MD, Division of Neurology, was recently certified in Neurology by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dr. Gardecki has been a member of the Medical Staff since January, 2013. She is in practice with Lehigh Neurology.

Marna R. Greenberg, DO, MPH, Department of Emergency Medicine, was recently recertified in Emergency Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine. She also has a lifetime certification in Family Practice by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Practice. Dr. Greenberg has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 1994. She is in practice with LVPGEmergency Medicine.

Stephen J. Huber, MD, Division of Diagnostic Radiology, Section of Cardiovascular-Interventional Radiology, was recently recertified in Vascular and Interventional Radiology by the American Board of Radiology. He also has a lifetime certification in Diagnostic Radiology by the American Board of Radiology. Dr. Huber has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2005. He is in practice with Medical Imaging of Lehigh Valley, PC.

Yevgeniy Isayev, MD, Division of Neurology, was recently recertified in Neurology by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. He is also board certified in Vascular Neurology. Dr. Isayev has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2005. He is in practice with Lehigh Neurology.

Soraya E. Jimenez, MD, Division of Neurology, was recently recertified in Neurology by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dr. Jimenez has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2007. She is in practice with Lehigh Neurology.

Tatyana Kemarskaya, MD, Division of Geriatrics/General Internal Medicine, was recently recertified in Hospice and Palliative Medicine by the American Board of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. She is also board certified in Internal Medicine and Geriatric Medicine. Dr. Kemarskaya has been a member of the Medical Staff since January, 2008. She is in practice with LVPGEnternal/Geriatric Medicine.

Adam J. Kotkiewicz, DO, Division of Hematology-Medical Oncology, was recently certified in both Medical Oncology and Hematology by the American Board of Internal Medicine. He is also board certified in Internal Medicine. Dr. Kotkiewicz has been a member of the Medical Staff since December, 2006. He is in practice with Hematology-Oncology Associates.

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Glenn A. Mackin, MD, Division of Neurology, was recently appointed Chairman of the American Academy of Neurology's (AAN) Fair Hearing Panel Committee, a two-year renewable appointment which began in March, 2013. The Committee is a standing committee of AAN charged with the responsibility of reviewing formal complaints submitted by the AAN Grievance Committee in accordance with the AAN's Disciplinary Action Policy and, if warranted, determines the appropriate form of discipline to recommend to the Executive Committee of the AAN Board of Directors. Dr. Mackin has been a member of the Medical Staff since March, 1999. He is in practice with Lehigh Neurology.

John F. McCarthy, DO, Chief, Division of Emergency Medical Services, was recently recertified in Emergency Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine. Dr. McCarthy has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 1994. He is in practice with LVPG-Emergency Medicine.

Patrick J. McDaid, MD, Division of Orthopedic Surgery/Hand Surgery, was recently recertified in both Orthopedic Surgery and Surgery of the Hand by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery. Dr. McDaid has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2001. He is in practice with OAA Orthopaedic Specialists.

Ashish A. Shah, DO, Division of Hematology-Medical Oncology, was recently certified in Hematology by the American Board of Internal Medicine. He is also board certified in Internal Medicine and Medical Oncology. Dr. Shah has been a member of the Medical Staff since August, 2009. He is in practice with Hematology-Oncology Associates.

Frank A. Sperrazza, DO, Department of Family Medicine, was recently certified in Family Medicine by the American Board of Family Medicine and the American Osteopathic Board of Family Medicine. Dr. Sperrazza has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 2012. He is in practice with Southside Family Medicine.

Jaclyn M. Sperrazza, DO, Department of Family Medicine, was recently certified in Family Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Medicine. Dr. Sperrazza has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 2012. She is in practice with Joseph A. Habig II, MD.

Samuel Umaru, MD, Department of Pediatrics, Division of Critical Care Medicine, was recently certified in Pediatric Critical Care Medicine by the American Board of Pediatrics. He is also board certified in Pediatrics. Dr. Umaru has been a member of the Medical Staff since September, 2010. He is in practice with LVH Pediatric Intensive Care.

Jay D. Varrato, DO, Division of Neurology, was recently recertified in Neurology by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. Dr. Varrato has been a member of the Medical Staff since July, 2001. He is in practice with Lehigh Neurology.

Anne M. Yawman, MD, Division of Geriatrics/General Internal Medicine, was recently recertified in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine. She is also board certified in Geriatric Medicine. Dr. Yawman has been a member of the Medical Staff since November, 2006. She is in practice with LVPG-Internal/Geriatric Medicine.

**DICTATION TIP:** When dictating your name or your colleague's name, it is important to use legal names. Official provider names should appear in the legal medical record for authentication purposes. Avoid nicknames and aliases.
Meet the APC Staff

A member of the LVHN Allied Health Professional Staff since January, 1996, Kelly C. Pompa, CRNP, is this month’s featured Advanced Practice Clinician.

For 18 years, Kelly Pompa has worked as a cardiology nurse practitioner with Lehigh Valley Cardiology Associates (LVCA). Despite all of these years, she continues to find the function of the heart fascinating and the importance of this organ is always a challenge to balance the whole body’s function. Kelly has a passion for caring for her patients and has an incredible ability to help patients understand in simplistic terms how to care for his or her complex heart diseases.

Kelly’s schedule varies and includes hospital rounding responsibilities and office outpatient follow-up visits. When Kelly is in the hospital, she examines, evaluates, and helps determine the plan of care for admitted patients. In the office, she has busy days of hospital follow-up appointments and scheduled patients who participate in a comprehensive heart failure clinic focused on disease management and advanced heart failure.

Kelly is a graduate of St. Luke’s Hospital School of Nursing where she received her nursing certification. She also graduated from Cedar Crest College where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She then earned a Master of Science degree in Nursing as a Family Nurse Practitioner from DeSales University.

In her spare time, Kelly enjoys spending time with her boyfriend, Michael, and her two children when they are home from college. She also is an antique enthusiast and frequently attends antique auctions. When she is not searching for an interesting antique find, she loves the outdoors and enjoys riding ATVs in the Hazleton area.
Opioid Equivalents

One of the questions that prescribers ask Pharmacists on a regular basis is about Opioid Equivalents. The prescriber wants to change the dosage form or the drug due to compromised swallowing, oral to a trans-dermal patch, or moving from an immediate release to a sustained release form. Listed below is a chart which can serve as a guideline along with some bullet points that may be helpful in your practice:

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<th>Current Opioid Analgesic</th>
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- Dosing must be done incrementally and titrated to analgesic effect. Particularly in those without prior use, effects are variable and overdosing can result in adverse effects. Respiratory Depression risk is highest in opioid naïve patients. For Mild pain start with NSAID or Acetaminophen. For Moderate pain, an opioid agonist (Hydrocodone, Oxycodone) can be used. An NSAID or Acetaminophen may be used in conjunction when appropriate. For severe pain, a higher potency opioid agonist (Hydromorphone, Morphine, Fentanyl) can be used.

- Immediate release opioids are recommended for breakthrough pain. Try to use the same class of opioid for long (24 hour scheduled doses) and short acting (PRN) pain relief.
- Methadone and Fentanyl are generally safe and considered good options in patients w/Renal insufficiency.
- To use the chart: Calculate the total 24 dose. > Determine the equivalent. > If pain is controlled on the current drug, reduce the new opioid by 25-50% to account for cross-tolerance, dosing ratio variation and interpatient variability. > Check dosage form strength availability and prescribe the drug strength that closest fits your calculation.

New Generics:
- Luvox CR 100 and 150mg = Fluvoxamine
- Maxalt MLT 5 and 10mg = Rizatriptan OD T
- Antara 48 and 145mg = Fenofibrate

New Drugs:
- Uceris: Long-acting Budesonide: for Active and Mild to Moderate Ulcerative Colitis.
- Intermezzo: Short-acting Zolpidem: A sublingual tablet to aid insomniacs to fall back to sleep after a middle of the night awakening.
- Omne: Itraconazole: A once daily dosing for Onychomycosis (Toenail Fungus)

If you have questions or need additional information, contact Jay Needle, RPh, Manager, Health Spectrum Pharmacy – LVH-Muhlenberg, via email at jay NEEDLE@lvhn.org or by phone at 484-884-7004.

CarePages: A Great Resource for Patients

Staying connected is an important component to getting and staying well. When your patients receive care at a Lehigh Valley Health Network hospital, they can stay connected with friends, family and colleagues with CarePages. This resource is a private, free website that allows patients to update loved ones, share photos, collect supporting messages and connect to others with similar concerns. For more information, contact Ashley Scheffler in Marketing and Public Affairs at 484-884-0372 or visit the LVHN internet at LVHN.org/carepages.
UPCOMING SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

Cardiology Grand Rounds

“Percutaneous Repair of Paravalvular Prosthetic Regurgitation” will be presented at Cardiology Grand Rounds on Friday, April 19, from Noon to 1 p.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and ECC Room D at LVH-Muhlenberg. The guest speaker will be Paul Sorajja, MD, Professor of Medicine and Consultant, Division of Cardiovascular Diseases, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine.

For more information, contact Caroline Maurer in the Heart and Vascular Center at 610-402-8215.

Medical Grand Rounds

Medical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays from Noon to 1 p.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest unless otherwise noted. The topics for April include:

- April 2 – Resident Research Day – Noon to 2:30 p.m., in Kasych ECC Room 6 and 7
- April 9 – Resident Presentation of the Year
- April 16 – “Department of Medicine Year in Review” – Debbie Salas-Lopez, MD, MPH, Chair, Department of Medicine
- April 23 – “Update on Cardiorenal Syndrome” – Kim Goll, MD

For more information, contact Kathleen McIntyre-Gaspari in the Department of Medicine at 610-402-8024.

Neurology Conferences

The Division of Neurology conferences are held on Thursdays, from Noon to 1 p.m., at the noted location. Topics to be presented in April include:

- April 4 – “Post-stroke Spasticity Diagnosis and Management – A Case-Based Initiative” – Peter J. Barbour, MD – Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and videoconferenced to First Floor Classroom at LVH-Muhlenberg
- April 11 – Multiple Sclerosis Topic – Elliott Froehman, MD, PhD, Professor and Section Head, Multiple Sclerosis and Neuroimmunology, UT Southern Medical Center – Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and videoconferenced to Lehigh Neurology Bathgate Office
- April 25 – “Sleep-Related Neurological Disorders” – Clarissa J. Liew, MD – Lehigh Neurology’s Conference Room at 1250 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Fourth Floor and videoconferenced to Bathgate Office and Kasych ECC Room 9

For more information, contact Angeline Regis, Coordinator, Neurosciences, at 610-402-9008.

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, unless otherwise noted. The topics for April include:

- April 2 – “Pediatric Burn Injuries” – A. Hamed Amani, MD
- April 9 – Pediatric Dental Presentation – Marsha A. Gordon, DDS
- April 16 – Ethics Presentation – Robert D. Barraco, MD, MPH – Location – Kasych ECC Room 7
- April 23 – Infectious Disease Presentation – Tihisy Villalobos, MD

For more information, contact Cari Coelho in the Department of Pediatrics at 610-969-2540.

Psychiatry Grand Rounds

The next Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds presentation will be held on Thursday, April 18, beginning at Noon (registration at 11:45 a.m.) in ECC Rooms C and D at LVH-Muhlenberg. The presentation will also be teleconferenced to the Presidents’ Room at LVH-Cedar Crest.

“Addiction” will be presented by James H. Berry, DO, Medical Director, Chestnut Ridge Center Inpatient Acute Dual Diagnosis Program in Morgantown, W Va.

For more information, contact Tammy Schweizer in the Department of Psychiatry at 610-402-5766 or via email at tammy.schweizer@lvhn.org.

Spine Conference

Conferences relating to interesting spine cases are held the first Wednesday of each month beginning at 7 a.m. Clinicians are invited to bring interesting cases to the meeting.

The next Spine Interesting Case Conference will be held on Wednesday, April 3, in Kasych ECC Room 1 at LVH-Cedar Crest.

For more information, please contact James C. Weis, MD, Co-Chief, Division of Spine Surgery, or Lori Zimmerman, Nursing Manager, at 610-973-6271.

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In addition, two-day provider courses will be held May 14 and 15, and June 6 and 7, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute.

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Surgical Grand Rounds
Surgical Grand Rounds are held on Tuesdays at 7 a.m., in the Auditorium at LVH-Cedar Crest and teleconferenced to the First Floor Conference Room at LVH-Muhlenberg. Topics for April include:

- April 2 – “ECMO for Adults ARDS” – James K. Wu, MD
- April 16 – “Lessons Learned Doing Ethics Consults” – Robert Barraco, MD, and Stephen Lammers, PhD
- April 23 – Stahler-Rex Lectureship – “Training and Education of Surgeons to Meet Society’s Expectations” – Carlos A. Pellegrini, MD, Henry N. Harkins Professor and Chair of Surgery, University of Washington
- April 30 – “Surgical Management of Chronic Pancreatitis” – Patty Liu, MD

For more information, contact Wendy Hess in the Department of Surgery at 610-402-8680.

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:

- April 25, 26, May 8, 31, and June 13

In addition, two-day provider courses will be held May 2 and 3, and June 4 and 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute.

Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
PALS renewal classes will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Emergency Medicine Institute on the following dates:

- April 15, 30, May 1, 13, 28, and June 11, 17, 18

In addition, two-day provider courses will be held May 14 and 15, and June 6 and 7, 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. To access the website from the LVHN Intranet homepage, select “Departments” – “Non-Clinical” – “EMI.”

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

What’s New in Continuing Medical Education?
FYI – Upcoming Events

- Annual Risk Symposium
  “Perception vs. Reality: Effective Care and Effective Communication”
  April 12 – 8 a.m. to Noon
  Auditorium – LVH-Cedar Crest
- 6th Annual Ethics Symposium
  April 17 – 7:15 a.m. to 3:50 p.m.
  DeSales University
- 2013 Symposium for Perioperative Clinical Providers
  May 4 – 8 a.m. to Noon
  Kasych ECC Rooms 6, 7 and 8 – LVH-Cedar Crest
- Stroke Symposium 2013: The Dawn of a New Era in Stroke Care
  May 9 and 10 – 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
  LVH-Cedar Crest
- The Jahna Haldeman-Foland Memorial Series – “Grieving Styles”
  May 30 – 6 to 8 p.m.
  Mack Building Auditorium
- Issues in OB/GYN, Inaugural Conference: Obstetric Bleeding-Anticipation, Prevention, Diagnosis and Management
  June 1 – 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
  LVH-Cedar Crest

To register for any of the listed events, please call 610-402-CARE (2273).

For more information regarding these programs, view brochures for the events on the Division of Education’s website on the Network Events Calendar.

If you have any questions regarding CME/CNE accreditation, PI CME, or the CE Advisory Board, please contact Jane Grube, Associate Director, Continuing Education, at 610-402-2398.
In addition, Dr. Levick was interviewed regarding current and future information technology plans, as part of an article in the March 2013 issue of Clinical Innovation and Technology. The title of the article is “Health IT Leaders Speak Up on Priorities, Staffing and Strategies.”

In addition, Dr. Cornfield was a co-author of an article – “Theodore Roosevelt May Have Died of Complications of Chagas’ Disease” – which was published in the Fall 2012 quarterly issue of the Theodore Roosevelt Association Journal.

Sweety Jain, MD, Department of Family Medicine, and Damary Patton, RN, MSN, Children’s Clinic, were two of the presenters at the Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians’ Conference held on March 9 in Valley Forge. Their presentation – “Integrating Youth with Special Health Care Needs into Adult Primary Care” – was part of a special project funded by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, the Health Resources and Services Administration, and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Indru T. Khubchandani, MD, former member of the Division of Colon and Rectal Surgery with Honorary Status, was an invited guest at the 52nd Annual Meeting of the Association of Surgeons of India held December 27-29 in Kolkata, India. He spoke on “History of Coloproctology over Many Millenniums.” Dr. Khubchandani was awarded Honorary Fellowship to the Society. The Association of Colon and Rectal Surgeons of India has initiated the Annual Khubchandani Oration to be delivered by a distinguished invited guest.

Donald L. Levick, MD, MBA, Chief Medical Information Officer, presented at the 2013 Healthcare Informatics Management Systems Society (HIMSS) National meeting on March 5, 2013 in New Orleans, La. His topic was “Implementing a Complete Perinatal Information System” and was based on the work being done through the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Grant in collaboration with Information Services, the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Lehigh University. The presentation covered lessons learned during the implementation and early results of the research into the impact that integrating data across the continuum of perinatal care has on maternal/fetal outcomes.

In addition, Dr. Levick was interviewed regarding current and future information technology plans, as part of an article in the March 2013 issue of Clinical Innovation and Technology. The title of the article is “Health IT Leaders Speak Up on Priorities, Staffing and Strategies.”
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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Change of Practice

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Change to Departmental Assignment

Kristin A. Bresnan, MD
From: Department of Medicine, Section of Palliative Medicine and Hospice
To: Department of Family Medicine, Section of Palliative Medicine and Hospice

In Memoriam

Milton J. Friedberg, MD
Department of Surgery
Division of General Surgery
Honorary Status
October 14, 1924 – February 1, 2013

Clifford G. Vernick, MD
Department of Surgery
Division of Orthopedic Surgery
Honorary Status
February 5, 1929 – February 12, 2013

Resignations

Frank M. Capobianco, MD, MPH
Department of Family Medicine
Section of Occupational Medicine
(Healthworks-Bethlehem Township)

Tatiana Parra, MD
Department of Medicine
Division of General Internal Medicine
Section of Hospital Medicine
(LVPG-Hospitalist Services)

William M. Parrish, MD
Department of Surgery
Division of Orthopedic Surgery
(Orthopaedic Specialists of Central Pennsylvania)

Benjamin J. Quintana, MD
Department of Medicine
Division of Endocrinology
(LVPG-Diabetes & Endocrinology)

Richard J. Strisofsky, DMD
Department of Dental Medicine
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(Solo practice)

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Change of Supervising Physician

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(Careworks)
From: Bruce A. Ellsweig, MD To: Wendy Rush-Spinosa, MD

Donna M. Gilbert, CRNP
Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
(LVPG-Diabetes & Endocrinology)
From: Benjamin J. Quintana, MD To: Robert A. McCauley, MD

Scott A. Jones
Pacemaker/ICD Technician
(Boston Scientific)
From: Praveer Jain, MD To: Hari P. Joshi, MD

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### Resignations

- **Robert T. Bantivoglio, Jr**
  - Pacemaker/ICD Technician
  - Atricure, Inc. – James K. Wu, MD
- **Donna L. Brown**
  - Certified Cardiographic Technician
  - The Heart Care Group, PC
- **Debra A. Dudeck, CST**
  - Certified Surgical Technologist
  - Coordinated Health – Thomas D. Meade, MD
- **Lizanne Galatis-Gazzo, PA-C**
  - Physician Assistant-Certified
  - Lehigh Valley Infectious Diseases Specialists
- **Nancy J. Gilliam, CRNP**
  - Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
  - Amin Heart Associates
- **Jennifer R. Kapun, CRNP**
  - Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
  - Coordinated Health
- **William G. Lee, PhD**
  - Psychologist
  - Solutions Counseling & Consultation Services, P.C.
- **Edward J. Minger, PA-C**
  - Physician Assistant-Certified
  - The Head & Neck Center, PC
- **Puja G. Patel, PA-C**
  - Physician Assistant-Certified
  - LVPG-Emergency Medicine
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  - Lehigh Valley Eye Center, PC
- **Danielle N. Sodl, OTC**
  - Orthopaedic Technologist Certified
  - Coordinated Health
- **Deborah L. Torres, CRNP**
  - Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner
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- **Sherry M. Waldhausen, CCP**
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- **Shannon M. Webb, PA-C**
  - Physician Assistant-Certified
  - Orthopedic Associates of the Greater LV

### Removal of Supervising Physician

- **Jason A. Dos Santos, PA-C**
  - Physician Assistant-Certified
  - LVPG-Emergency Medicine – Jacob N. Erickson, MD
  - Removal of: W. Michael Morrissey Jr., MD, PC – W. Michael Morrissey, Jr, MD

### Leave of Absence – Military

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