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#### 2016 Gold Standard Awards

Applies to All Physicians

Please join me in congratulating the recipients of the 2016 Gold Standard Awards:

Awards Informational Deborah Bradshaw, MD, Neurology Michael Costanza, MD, Surgery Elton Garvin, BS, LRTT, Radiation Therapy, CHP Elizabeth Nelsen, MD - Pediatrics Clyde Satterly, MD, MBA, Family Medicine Zafer Soultan, MD, Pediatrics Suman Swarnkar, MD, Medicine

This award recognizes faculty who have demonstrated dedication, passion, vision and commitment to their work and to Upstate.

I do hope to see you at the **9th Annual Celebration of the Faculty** where the Gold Standard honorees will be individually recognized, along with emeritus faculty, those faculty members who were promoted and/or tenured, and faculty members who joined us as colleagues during the past year.

Wednesday March 16th, 2016 4:30-5:00 PM Reception 5:00-6:00 PM Program IHP Atrium

Opportunities to come together in community are very important. So, please mark your calendar and join us for music, laughter, food & fun, and a chance to recognize and celebrate the commitment and excellence of our faculty.

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### **CKD-EPI Creatinine Equation to Estimate Glomerular Filtration Rate**

**Applies to Downtown Physicians** 

CKD-EPI Informational Effective March 7, 2016, the Core Laboratory at Upstate Medical University Downtown Campus will estimate creatinine-based glomerular filtration rate by using the 2009 CKD-EPI (Chronic Kidney Disease-Epidemiology Collaboration) equation.

#### Background:

The National Kidney Foundation recommends replacing the currently used MDRD equation by the CKD-EPI equation. The 2009 CKD-EPI

- is more accurate, particularly at higher GFR values of > 60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>
- · performs better in the elderly
- improves clinical risk assessment

Formula: eGFR =141 x min( $S_{Cr}/K$ , 1)<sup> $\alpha$ </sup> x max( $S_{Cr}/K$ , 1)<sup>-1.209</sup> x 0.993<sup>Age</sup> x 1.018 [if female] x 1.159 [if Black]

#### What is changing:

- The estimated GFR<sub>creat</sub> will be calculated for patients up to 80 years-of-age.
- Numeric values will be reported up to 120 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>.
- Compared to the MDRD, the prevalence of abnormal GFR (<60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>) decreases (in the general population from 8.7% to 6.3%)
- eGFR will now be calculated on all ordered serum creatinines

#### What is not changing:

- · eGFR are reported for African-Americans and non-African Americans
- eGFRcreat has to be calculated at the bedside for patients < 18 and >80 years-old
- · Creatinine-based estimating equations are not recommended for use with:
  - unstable serum creatinine (pregnancy, serious co-morbid conditions, hospitalized patients, particularly those with acute renal failure)
  - extremes in muscle mass and diet (amputees, paraplegics, bodybuilders, obese patients, malnutrition, vegetarian or low-meat diet)

Creatinine Method:

Jaffe method, traceable to isotope dilution MS, by Roche.

Performed:

24/7

Turn-around Time:

STAT: 90 minutes Routine: 4 hours

Reference Range:

eGFR<sub>creat</sub> >60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>

#### References:

Levey AS, Stevens LA, Schmid CH, et al. A New Equation to Estimate Glomerular Filtration Rate. Annals of internal medicine. 2009;150(9):604-612.

<u>Kilbride HS</u> et al. Accuracy of the MDRD (Modification of Diet in Renal Disease) study and CKD-EPI (CKD Epidemiology Collaboration) equations for estimation of GFR in the elderly. Am J Kidney Dis 2013 Jan 11;61(1):57-66

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### **DNV Corrective Action Plan**

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DNV Informational When the DNV surveyors were onsite this past December, units were noted to be deficient in the area of EPIC downtime provider order sets and, as a result, a corrective action was initiated. Below you will find fast facts which explain the location of the downtime forms for providers on every unit.

## **EPIC Downtime Procedure**

- There is an EPIC downtime computer located on every unit, plugged into a red outlet.
- In the event of EPIC going down, order sets will be located on this computer.
- · See Upstate applications: "Epic order sets" and open folder.
- · Physicians will locate appropriate order set and Print.
- · Physicians should choose orders that are appropriate for the patient.

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### National Patient Safety Week "United in Safety"

March 13-19, 2016

### Applies to All Physicians

Patient Safety Wk Informational Upstate University Hospital is celebrating National Patient Safety week 2016 with a new event. That new event is our first ever Quality and Patient Safety Poster presentation! Does your unit/department have a success story or solution regarding quality and patient safety that you would like to share? Well if so please read on!

We will be utilizing the six aspects of Quality Care as defined by the Institute of Medicine as our poster topics. Select one of these topic areas, write a small summary about your poster on the attached word document and email to Julie Briggs at <a href="mailto:briggsi@upstate.edu">briggsi@upstate.edu</a> or Sally Ramsden at <a href="mailto:ramsdens@upstate.edu">ramsdens@upstate.edu</a> so we can save your poster a place at the fair! We need your document by March 4. Now just create your poster and once we have a number of posters we will notify you of the place for display. We are looking to display at the downtown campus on March 15 and 16 and at the Community Campus on March 17 and 18.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Julie Briggs 464-6170 or Sally Ramsden 492-5247.

Here are the topic areas for your posters:

#### Six Aspects of Quality Care:

Safe: avoids injuries to patients from care that is intended to help them

Timely: reduces waits and delays for both those who receive care and those who give care

**Effective:** based on scientific knowledge, extended to all likely to benefit while avoiding underuse and overuse

**Equitable:** provides consistent quality, without regard to personal characteristics such as gender, ethnicity, geographic location, and socioeconomic status

Efficient: avoids waste, including waste of equipment, supplies, ideas, and energy

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**Patient-centered:** respects and responds to individual patient preferences, needs, and values, ensuring that patient values guide all clinical decisions

Posters can be power points on single poster boards or trifolds and should include the following components: "issue/problem", "analysis of the problem", "solution" and "result".

Poster Submission form		Patient Safety Week 2016
Name of		
Unit/Department:		
Name of individuals	working on poster:	
Title of		
Poster:		
Category for Poster	:	
( ) Safe	( ) Effective	( ) Equitable
( ) Timely	( ) Efficient	( ) Patient Centered
Brief description of	poster topic:	
Please return via en	nail to Julie Briggs <u>briggsj@upstat</u>	e.edu or Sally Ramsden

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## **Outstanding Physician Comments**

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Comments Informational Each week we receive written comments from our patients regarding the care we provide within the Hospital. Below are this week's comments from grateful patients receiving care on the units and clinics at Upstate:

Vision Care – Dr. Henkel treated me with kindness and concern.

Joslin – Dr. Lipeski is very experienced, able to "talk" with pediatric patients, listen to parental concerns and still make excellent decisions.

**University Cardiology** – Dr. Carhart is very friendly and easy to talk with. He spends the amount of time needed and does not rush the visit.

5B - Dr. Bratslavsky was great.

**2N** – Dr. Azer, top orthopedic surgeon.

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