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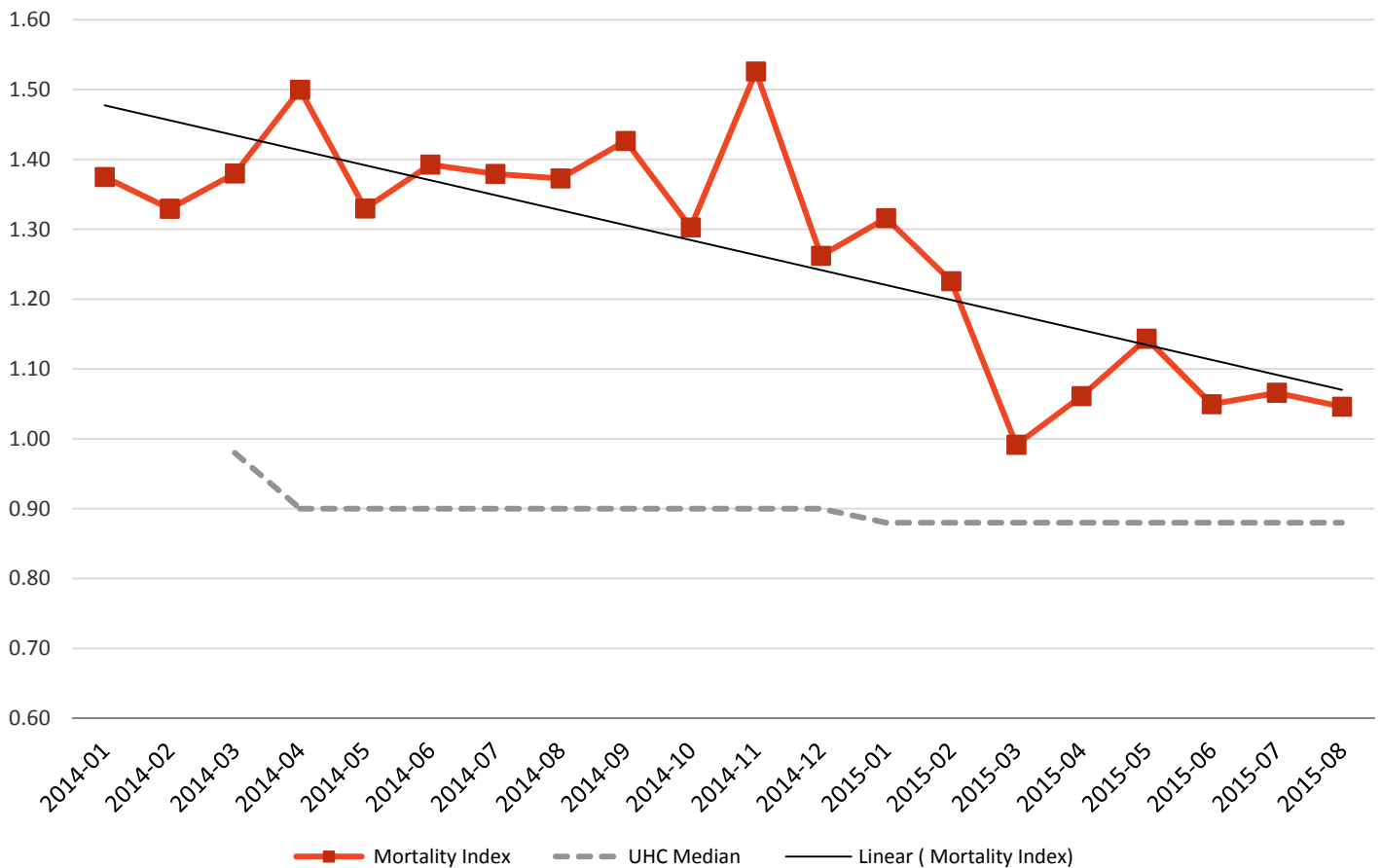
## Observed to Expected Mortality Index – Update on Progress

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O/E  
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I have written before about our O/E ratio and the fact that it was historically trending at about 1.5x the national average. Through a multi-pronged concerted effort, including greater emphasis on accurate documentation and weekly reviews of every death that occurs on our campuses, I am pleased to report we are showing significant improvement (see chart below). While we are not yet at the national average for teaching hospitals, we are close. Thanks to all physicians for their increased attention to appropriately documenting how ill our patients are, and to the departmental quality officers for their assistance with case reviews.

### UH System Mortality Index



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## 2015 Schwartz Center National Compassionate Caregiver of the Year Award

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NCCY Award  
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Congratulations to the Palliative Care Consult Service Team on being an Honorable Mention for the 2015 Schwartz Center National Compassionate Caregiver/Team of the Year (NCCY) Award. Thank you to Emily Costello, RN, ICU, who took time to recognize the Team for demonstrating what it means to lead with compassion. Upstate is extremely fortunate to have Dr. Barbara Krenzer, Sue Shaw NP, Archie McEvers NP and Jen Helmer NP, for their commitment to helping and healing others through extraordinary acts of compassion.

## New Physician Welcome

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New Physicians  
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We are proud to introduce the following new physicians to the Upstate Medical University community for the time frame July 1 – September 30<sup>th</sup>. Please take a moment to welcome them if you happen to cross paths!

Name	Specialty	Post Graduate Training
Abirami Sivapiragasam, MD	Medicine, Internal	Winthrop University Hospital
Amie L. Lucia, DO	Surgery, Critical Care	Maimonides Medical Center
Amitpal S. Nat, MD	Medicine, Internal	University of South Florida
Angela M. Pericozzi, MD	Pediatrics	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Avneet Singh, MD	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Brett B. Greenky, MD	Orthopedic Surgery	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Brian P. Tran, DO	Pediatrics	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Brian T. Pavlovitz, MD	Pathology	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Debanik Chaudhuri, MD	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Divey Manocha, MD	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Eduardo Bonilla-Trejos, MD	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Eric Postal, MD	Diagnostic Radiology	Albany Medical Center
Grahame C. Gould, MD	Neurological Surgery	Yale-New Haven Hospital
Hans P. Cassagnol, MD	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Flushing Hospital Medical Center
Hesham E. Masoud, MBBCH	Neurology	Case Western Reserve University
Jan R. Wong, MD	Anesthesiology	Mount Sinai Medical Center
Jennifer Singarayer, MD	Psychiatry	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Jesse T. Ryan, MD	Otolaryngology	National Capital Consortium
Karen L. Medin, DO	Neurology	University Hospital & Medical Center Stony Brook
Kathryn E. Scott, MD	Pediatrics	Rhode Island Hospital
Kevin E. Gaskin, MD	Emergency Medicine	University of Arizona
Lawson R. Smart, MD	Orthopedic Surgery	Yale University School of Medicine
Leah M. Bennett, MD	Emergency Medicine	University of Arizona
Lee S. Segal, MD	Orthopedic Surgery	Southern Illinois University School of Medicine
Lubov Leontieva, MD	Psychiatry	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Lucien D. Catania, MD	Anesthesiology	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Matthew D. Mason, MD	Pediatric Urology	University of Virginia
Maureen Burke, MD	Obstetrics & Gynecology	The Stamford Hospital
Michael P. Owen, MD	Neurological Surgery	Case Western Reserve University
Muhammad O. Arif, MD	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Muhammad R. Naqvi, MD	Medicine, Internal	University of New Mexico Hospital
Nabamita Bisen, MD	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
Natasha Ginzburg, MD	Urology	Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein COM
Naven Duggal, MD	Orthopedic Surgery	Western University

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<b>Parikshith A. Sumathi, MD</b>	Anesthesiology	UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERISTY
<b>Parina G. Cho, MBBS</b>	Radiology	Monmouth Medical Center
<b>Rainer W. Gruessner, MD</b>	Transplant	Phillips University Medical Center
<b>Rajiv Mangla, MD</b>	Neuroradiology	University of Rochester
<b>Rebecca A. Gavett, PHD</b>	Psychology	Northwestern University
<b>Rebecca L. Swan, MD</b>	Diagnostic Radiology	Albany Medical Center
<b>Rebecca S. Blue, MD</b>	Emergency Medicine	The University of Texas Medical Branch
<b>Regina Rodman, MD</b>	Otolaryngology	University of Texas-Houston
<b>Robert E. Newmyer, MD</b>	Pediatrics	Case Western Reserve University
<b>Robert T. Swan, MD</b>	Comea & External Diseases	Albany Medical Center
<b>Ryan C. Sidebottom, DO</b>	Urology	Albert Einstein Medical Center
<b>Saadet Atay-Rosenthal, MD</b>	Radiology	Maimonides Medical Center
<b>Sharon Zuis, MS</b>	Psychology	Oswego State University
<b>Stephen D. Hoag, MD</b>	Family Practice Medicine	Naval Hospital Jacksonville
<b>Tamer A. Malik, MBBCH</b>	Surgery, General	Brookdale University Hospital
<b>Tansy M. Schoonmaker, DDS</b>	Dental Surgery	Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh UPMC
<b>Tennyson M. Maliro, MD</b>	Radiology	St. Vincent's Hospital-Manhattan
<b>Thomas J. Scott, MD</b>	Pediatrics	Hasbro Children's Hospital
<b>Wei Song, MD</b>	Anatomical & Clin. Path.	University of Illinois at Chicago
<b>William S. Dukes, MD</b>	Emergency Medicine	Loma Linda University Medical Center
<b>William Whetsell, MD</b>	Diagnostic Radiology	University of Chicago Medical Center
<b>Yvonne C. Moreno, MD</b>	Diagnostic Radiology	Norwalk Hospital
<b>Zachary Williamson, MD</b>	Medicine, Internal	SUNY Upstate Medical University
<b>Zevidah Vickery, MD</b>	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Beth Israel Medical Center

## Outstanding Physician Comments

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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:

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**Inpatient Pediatrics** – Dr. Ahmed is awesome!

**Emergency Dept at Community** - Could not have been happier with Dr. Nichols.

**Community Inpatient** – Dr. Geurtsen – nice doctor.

**7A** - Dr. Harley was my "savior!"

**5B** – Dr. Shapiro and his staff were great.

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**2N** – Dr. Mudda was very good with patients and family.

Dr. Mudda was always pleasant, concerned and knowledgeable about patient and always visited patient daily when there; could not ask for a better person who also cared about patient's family; holds a special place in our hearts.

**Dental Service** – Dr. Smith is by far the best dentist I've ever had. I'm very lucky to have his service!

**Medicine Subspecialties** – Dr. Allam is very knowledgeable, friendly, understanding and professional!

**Breast Care Center** – Dr. Morris was concerned and very sensitive to my needs.

**University Cardiology** – Dr. Carhart is very friendly, empathetic, kind and has a great bedside manner.

**University Geriatricians** – Dr. Berg is really a tremendous doctor who inspires confidence and hope.

**Upstate Pediatrics** – Dr. Schurman is very pleasant and kind; seems to really love and care for children.

Dr. Schurman is very kind, gentle and patient.

Dr. Hobart has been amazing with our son. He takes his time and answers all questions we have.

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