# Department of Medicine Newsletter

#### UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY

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OUR MISSION

"To improve the health of the communities we serve through education, biomedical research and healthcare."

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#### UPSTATE UPDATES AND NEWS!

A letter by Upstate hospitalist Timothy M. Creamer, MD, that encouraged adults to complete a Health Care Proxy appeared April 15 on Syracuse. com. - See more at: http://www.syracuse.com/ opinion/index.ssf/2014/04/ health\_care\_decisions\_day\_any\_journey\_is\_ easier when we have directions.html

Sharon Brangman, MD, Robert Corona, DO, and Margaret Nellis, CCLS, MS, were quoted in articles featured in the May issue of *In Good Health*. Corona was quoted in an article about the Upstate MIND program; Brangman discussed a study published in the journal. Neurology, that found that Alzheimer's disease is more widespread in the United States than reported; and Nellis was quoted in an article about pet therapy programs in

Syracuse hospitals. - See more at: http:// upstate-people.1#sthash.YqOCVba2.dpuf



upstateonline.info/static/May8-May152014/



Upstate pulmonary disease expert Michael Iannuzzi, MD, MBA, gave an overview of sarcoidosis, an inflammatory disease that affects multiple organs in the body, but mostly the lungs and lymph glands. Iannuzzi is the Edward C. Reifenstein Professor and chair of Upstate's Department of Medicine, and has been ranked as one of the world's leading experts on the disorder. Read the story: Upstate physicianscientist ranked as one of the world's leading experts on immune disorder. Watch Dr. Iannuzzi's video: Sarcoidosisthe definitive explanation. For more information, call (315)

http://blogs.upstate.edu/healthlinkonair/2014/03/27/understandingsarcoidosis/

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#### Michael Iannuzzi presented at Faculty **Toolbox Workshop on April 30**

Michael Iannuzzi, MD, MBA, delivered a talk titled. Presentation Zen: Learn Slide Design and Avoid the Pitfalls in Presentations at the Faculty Toolbox Workshop on Wednesday, April 30 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in 2231 Weiskotten Hall. The workshop was presented by the Office of Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development. Iannuzzi is the Edward C. Reifenstein Professor and Chair of the Department of Medicine. http:// upstateonline.info/static/April3-April102014/campusbriefs.1#sthash.pOWmsaoT.dpuf



#### MORE NEWS!...



#### **CME Credit for M&M Noon Conference Series**

Dear Faculty in the Department of Medicine,

We are pleased to announce that our M&M Noon Conferences are now <u>CME accredited!</u> We encourage our faculty members to participate in this educational venue.

Conferences are held on the <u>first Thursday of each month from 12:15pm to 1pm in Room 103 WSK.</u> Reminders for this conference will go out via email a few days prior.

This conference objectives are to:

- 1) Create a framework for analyzing errors that physicians can apply to their everyday practice
- 2) Share and teach a curriculum for quality and patient safety
- 3) Identify system errors and offer suggestions for system improvement

Internal medicine residents will present cases referred by faculty, residents, students, and nurses. We encourage you to submit cases to the Internal Medicine Chief Residents for discussion in this venue.

#### Accreditation is as follows:

UPSTATE Medical University is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

**Credit Designation** 

UPSTATE Medical University designates this live activity for a maximum of 1 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s) <sup>TM</sup>. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

\*\*\*Please note that if you have a conference you would like accredited by the CME, please contact Barbara-Ann Goodwin for assistance with the application process.

Thanks, DOM

#### DOM FACULTY AWARDS

#### **Congratulations to Us!!**

<u>The Department of Medicine</u> has been selected to receive the <u>Medical Alumni Association</u>

<u>Clinical Department Teaching award</u>. The award was presented during the College of Medicine Commencement Ceremony on May 18, 2014 at 2:00 PM. The ceremony was held at the Crouse Hinds Theater, Mulroy Civic Center, 421 Montgomery Street.

Congratulations to

<u>David F. Lehmann, MD, PharmD</u>
for being chosen to receive the 2014
Chancellor's Award for Excellence in
Faculty Service!!



The Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service signifies that the recipient is honored for his/her consistently superior service to the campus, the State University, the local community or contributions at the regional, state-wide, national or international levels; the discipline or disciplinary and professional organizations and societies; or to leadership in local or system-wide faculty governance. Dr. Lehmann is being presented with a certificate and medallion at the Fall Faculty Convocation on Wednesday, September 17, 2014.

Congratulations to <u>Amit S. Dhamoon, MD, PhD,</u> on being selected for the Medical Alumni Association Clinical Teaching Award and The Alpha Gamma Chapter Teaching Award!!



<u>Dr. Amit Dhamoon</u> has been selected to receive the <u>Medical Alumni Association Clinical Faculty Teaching Award</u>. The award was presented during the College of Medicine Commencement Ceremony on May 18, 2014 at 2:00 PM. The ceremony was held at the Crouse Hinds Theater, Mulroy Civic Center, 421 Montgomery Street.

<u>Dr. Amit Dhamoon</u> has been awarded the Alpha Gamma Chapter Teaching Award. This award is in recognition of our students as a reflection of the efforts that he has put forth on their behalf as a role model, mentor, and as a thoughtful, caring physician.



Sheila Lemke, MD won the
Leonard Tow Humanism award in
Medicine award at Commencement. This
award is presented to the student and
faculty member who best demonstrate the
Foundation's ideals of outstanding
compassion in the delivery of care,
respect for patients, their families, and
healthcare colleagues, as well as
demonstrated clinical excellence.

Congrats, Vincent Frechette, MD on receiving the Gold Standard Award and The President's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service!!

• The Gold Standard Award was given at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of the Faculty, held on March 20, 2014. The Gold Standard Award was created to recognize members of the faculty who are dedicated, enthusiastic and passionate about their work, and who live the values of Upstate by exemplifying innovation, respect, service and integrity.

· The Committee for the President's Award for Excellence in Faculty Service has selected Vincent Frechette, MD, as the 2014 recipient of this award. Dr. Frechette has exceeded the criteria of consistently superior service and has made many valuable contributions to Upstate Medical University. The award will be presented at the Fall Faculty Convocation on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 4pm in the Alumni Auditorium, Weiskotten Hall. A reception will follow.

#### MORE AWARDS!

In March, <u>Peter Cronkright, MD, FACP</u> was the Guest of Honor at the Bhutanese Community in Syracuse for the annual celebration of their migration to Syracuse. Dr. Cronkright and Astha Ramaiya, research associate, co-authored a chapter in the book, "Refugee Health Care."



Marie Novak, RN, CCRN, at the Heart and Vascular Center, obtained her CCRN Certification in November of 2013. She is originally from Pittsburgh, PA (born and raised) and moved to Syracuse about 3 years ago after travel nursing for 2 years. She worked in cities such as Boston, LA, Seattle, and Naples. She settled here because she loves working for Upstate Hospital. Most of her nursing experience in various ICUs, but she is now an RN in the Cardiac Cath. Lab. She is married with an 18 month old baby girl and a 6 year old furry child.

## 2014 DOCTOR DAY TRIBUTES - DEPT OF MEDICINE Physicians:

Title	First Name	Last Name	
Dr.	Alicia	Bair	
Dr.	Emerald	Banas	
Dr.	Puneet	Bansal	
Dr.	Nidhi	Bansal	
Dr.	Joseph	Battaglia	
Dr.	Sam	Benjamin	
Dr.	Andrea	Berg	
Dr.	Luna	Bhatta	
Dr.	Jeanne	Bishop	
Dr.	Donald	Blair	
Dr.	Debra	Buchan	
Dr.	Robert	Carhart	
Dr.	Brian	Changlai	
Dr.	Thomas	Covle	

To top it off earning her CCRN last November, she will be graduating with her BSN this December to advance her nursing career. After getting her BSN, she plans to go on to the Master's program and become a nurse practitioner.



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Dr.	Timothy	Creamer
Dr.	Peter	Cronkright
Dr.	Marisa	Desimone
Dr.	Amit	Dhamoon
Dr.	Anthony	Di Rubbo
Dr.	William	Elliott
Dr.	Timothy	Endy
Dr.	Denzil	Etienne
Dr.	Timothy	Ford
Dr.	Vincent	Frechette
Dr.	Ajeet	Gajra
Dr.	Havir Singh	Gambhir
Dr.	Teresa	Gentile Femia
Dr.	Avrille	George

	Coyic	
Dr.	Kimberly	Gilbert
Dr.	Diana	Gilligan
Dr.	Matthew	Glidden
Dr.	Stephen	Graziano
Dr.	Wasim	Hamarneh
Dr.	Joshua	Harrison
Dr.	Housam	Hegazy
Dr.	Philip	Holtzapple
Dr.	Norman	Jaffe
Dr.	Sumendra	Joshi
Dr.	Ali	Kahn
Dr.	Hiroshi	Kato
Dr.	Viren	Kaul
Dr.	Haider	Khadim
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#### DOCTOR DAY RECOGNITION CONTINUED...

			Others:
Physicia	ns:		Ms.
Dr.	Stephen	Knohl	Ms.
Dr.	Hani	Kozman	Ms.
Dr.	Barbara	Krenzer	
Dr.	Sarah	Lappin	-Staf
Dr.	John	Leggat	
Dr.	Sheila	Lemke	I
Dr.	Robert	Lenox	
Dr.	Kan	Liu	
Dr.	Bhaskara Reddy	Madhira	
Dr.	Anupa	Mandava	•Staf
Dr.	Dragos	Manta	Î
Dr.	Jorge	Martinez	•Staf
Dr.	Robert	Michiel	I
Dr.	Sakti	Mookherjee	I I
Dr.	Sriram	Narsipur	
Dr.	Hom	Neupane	
Dr.	Dorothy	Pan	
Dr.	Andras	Perl	
Dr.	Bernard	Poiesz	•Staf
Dr.	Kiran	Pokhrel	I
Dr.	Bhuvaneswari	Ramkumar	I
Dr.	Merima	Ramovic-Zobic	•Staf
Dr.	Shraddha	Rana	
Dr.	Ajoy	Roy	
Dr.	Birendra	Sah	
Dr.	Margaret	Satterlee	
Dr.	Dana	Savici	
Dr.	Rahul	Seth	•Staf
Dr.	James	Sexton	_     †
Dr.	Danish	Siddiqui	
Dr.	David	Simon	•Staf
Dr.	David	Small	I
Dr.	Harold	Smulyan	I
Dr.	John	Sun	
Dr.	Suman	Swarnkar	•Staf
Dr.	Tamas	Szombathy	
Dr.	James	Tifft	
Dr.	Daniel	Villarreal	•Staf
Dr.	Lubna	Wani	I
Dr.	Jonathan	Wright	I

#### **Recognizing Stars at Upstate**

•Staff Name: Dr. Devamohan Sivalingam (Resident)

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Dorneau

Nemitz

**Department/Unit:** 6H MICU Intern

Reason for Recognition: Dr. Sivalingam is very personable and really takes the time to consult the nurses to provide the best patient care possible. He is very thorough and dedicated to every detail of the patients' care.

•Staff Name: Dr. Matthew Hess **Department/Unit:** 6B

Kimberly

Carolee

Sharlene

**Reason for Recognition:** Outstanding Doctor

•Staff Name: Dr. Robert Carhart

**Department/Unit:** Department of Medicine

**Reason for Recognition:** He does an outstanding job of coordinating complex medical issues; he provides good, helpful education while providing medical care. He has great bedside manner. He is very compassionate, and he has a functional approach. He exemplifies what it means to practice integrative medicine.

•Staff Name: Drs. Samuel Benjamin and Sheila Lemke

**Department/Unit:** Dr. Benjamin (ROC) Dr. Lemke (10E) **Reason for Recognition:** Knowledgeable and thorough!

They are both great doctors and honest!

•Staff Name: Dr. Haider Khadim

Department/Unit: Hematology/Oncology

**Reason for Recognition:** I was consulted on a patient of Dr. Khadim's for a pericardial effusion, which required numerous labs and tests. I was unfamiliar with Dr.

Khadim.

•Staff Name: Dr. Diana Gilligan

**Department/Unit:** 10H Oncology/Bone Marrow

**Reason for Recognition:** She is a wonderful and thoughtful

doctor!

•Staff Name: Dr. Dorothy Pan

**Department/Unit:** 10H Oncology/Bone Marrow

Reason for Recognition: She is an excellent, compassion-

ate doctor!

•Staff Name: Dr. Bernard Poiesz, his nurses, & Staff **Department/Unit:** Regional Oncology Center

Reason for Recognition: For seven years of excellent care

and support and individualized attention!

•Staff Name: Dr. Jhapa Thapa (Resident)

**Department/Unit:** Medicine

**Reason for Recognition:** Dr. Thapa has an exemplary personality and is an outstanding doctor. He is truly a joy to work with and I can honestly say that I would want him to care for my loved ones.

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#### Kupos!!

#### **Medicine Subspecialties**

"Dr. Knohl controlled my pain by eliminating my formation of multiple kidney stones successfully." "I have always had an excellent experience during follow up visits to this practice." "Dr. Knohl - he has always been very patient with me and reassuring. He discovered my problem and took direct action to remedy it. He is a wonderful person and I trust him greatly."

#### **Joslin Center for Diabetes**

"Dr. Hopkins personally tries to contact me by phone in spite of work schedule & very friendly & caring & very CONSCIENTIOUS." "Dr. Barbara Feuerstein - she's wonderful - very caring" "Jennifer Kelly MD - Always cheerful and helpful." "If all care providers were like **Dr. Mols** the world would be a better place. Very thorough and considerate." "Everyone - they were all great." "I have been a patient of **Dr. Concilla's** for several years. He has been a very caring provider for me. Also his nurse Fran is an excellent and caring nurse." "Everyone is always pleasant, very professional." "Provider superior." "Dorra LaFrate - beyond excellent!!!" "We are EXTREMELY pleased with the care provided by Sherri Albro, NP" "Kathy Bratt has cared for my daughter for 15 yrs. She has continually shown us compassionate, support & guidance." "Very good experience." "Everyone appears to know their job and performed very well."

#### **Adult Medicine**

"Everyone is usually very professional even when wait time is extended." "I know this doctor will be leaving soon but I appreciated my time with her." "<u>Dr. Kaur</u> and her team! Very respectful to my needs" "<u>Dr. Debra Buchan</u> I have been with her over 12 years. She is a knowledgeable compassionate physician. I trust her completely."

#### **University Geriatricians**

"Great!" "These nurses and assistants are the best trained and empathetic professionals. #1. Excellent!!! 10!!" "Excellent care and explanations to questions and concerns." "Betsy & Kathy take excellent care of my mother. She is scared and anxious and they are comforting. Dr. Yonge takes her time explaining everything to me." At the hospital everyone in the pediatric GI unit provided excellent care and were very kind." "Dr. Berg - very caring, thorough and thoughtful" "Dr. Bishop - Listens - Calm - Shows respect." "Isabel Yonge very pleasant to talk to." "Dr. Berg treated my mother with such tenderness and respect during her evaluation. I feel very confident that my mother is getting the best treatment plan possible."

#### **University Cardiology**

"Provider - <u>Robert Carhart MD</u>. Excellent doctor." "Excellence care by ALL hospital staff." "<u>Dr. Carhart</u> is a great caring dr."

#### ROC

"Everyone is very friendly." "Treated like family"

#### Welcome, Infectious Disease, to the Kudos Section!!





Infectious Disease Associates of Syracuse

Seated L to R: Donna Weir, LPN, Jennifer Schumacher, RPAC, Dr. Calden Sharngoe (PGY5), Michelle Scott, LPN Practice Manager,
Standing L to R: Desiree Monds, LPN, Dr. Donald Blair, Dr. Vinicius Lopes (PGY4), Dr. Tasaduq Fazili, Dr. Waleed Javaid, Dr. Timothy Endy, Helen Anastasiou)

#### ID KUDOS CONTINUED...

"Amazing Staff!" **Dr. Endy** was informative and kind." "Everyone was very nice" "Everyone is great" "Helen Anastasiou, treated me very well from the beginning" "Everyone was great" "Dr. Polhemus has taken a personal interest in my care." "Dr. Polhemus is an asset to this practice and hospital." "Jennifer Schumacher, RPAC, Desiree Monds, LPN, Helen Anastasiou are always pleasant and sweet." "Very good staff all are good to me" "Best doctor's appointment I've had in many years. I wish all doctors' offices were like this, good job thank you all." "Everyone that works here are all swell". "Donna and the nurse (Desiree) who took care of us today are great, very kind""The girls all do a great job". "I appreciate all the excellent care I received at this facility" "Helen- she is very considerate and has an excellent personality !!!" "Helen- friendly, smiles, seems to like her job!" Dr. Vinicius Lopes (ID Fellow) / Dr. Tasaduq Fazili-very thorough and attentive". "I have a lot of Dr. Appts, this was one of my better ones .... Thank you"



Staff you would like to recognize as providing outstanding care:

Helen Anastasiou, Desiree Monds, LPN, and Dr. Timothy Endy

Jennifer Schumacher, RPAC and Desiree Monds, LPN-
"Very professional, understanding, compassionate."

Dr. Tasaduq Fazili and Desiree Monds, LPN
Donna Weir, LPN, Desiree Monds, LPN
Nurse, Staff-- "all were kind and courteous"

#### What Does it Mean to Be Emeritus?

Emeritus is more than just a status—it's an honor. These exceptional appointments are endorsed by the Chairman of the Department of Medicine and the Dean of the college. Faculty members who have been awarded this respectable status have retired in good-standing and in recognition of their substantial service rendered to the Upstate Medical University Community.

Upstate Emeritus faculty members are encouraged to maintain association with the institution. While their retirement status is non-active in regards to required activities, Emeritus faculty members are granted certain privileges and are encouraged to continue their scholarly research. They sustain campus privileges, such as usage of their GroupWise accounts, CAB membership, Library access, parking, and office space. Emeritus faculty members are also invited to campus events. It is an extremely high honor, which recognizes their former faculty appointments and services at Upstate Medical University indefinitely. Awarded Emeritus faculty members are dedicated, compassionate individuals who have devoted their lives to medicine and education.

The Department of Medicine is proud to recognize four exceptional faculty members, all who have been granted the Emeritus status in recent years.

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#### OUR EMERITUS FACULTY

#### Paul Phillips, M.D.

**Professor Emeritus of Medicine and Pediatrics** (Effective October 1, 2012)

Dr. Phillips retired from Upstate effective September 30, 2012, after providing 31 years of dedicated service. Dr. Phillips has been Professor of Medicine and Pediatrics, and he was Chief of the Rheumatology Division from 1981-2001.

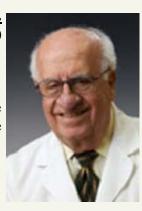
He has continued a limited non-clinical role in teaching and research in the Rheumatology Division. Also, he has arranged with the VA to continue seeing patients and teaching there every other week in the Tuesday Arthritis Clinic.

#### Anis Obeid, M.D.

Clinical Professor Emeritus (Effective April 1, 2013)

Dr. Anis Obeid was a resident in Medicine at SUNY Upstate from 1958-1960, and then became an associate in Medicine for 6 years at the American University of Beirut. This was followed by a Cardiology Fellowship at Upstate.

Upon completion of his training, Dr. Obeid joined the Upstate faculty in 1968, where he remained until 1977. From 1973-1977 he was Chief of Cardiology at the Syracuse VA. From 1983 to 1994 he was cardiologist and President at Cardiovascular Specialists, PC of Syracuse, and maintained a voluntary faculty appointment with Upstate. Since 1978, Dr. Obeid was most recently employed at Crouse as the Director of the Echocardiography Lab. Dr. Obeid was also working for the Department of Medicine at Upstate on a contractual basis.



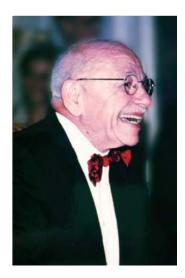


Harold Smulyan, M.D.

Professor Emeritus of Medicine (Effective August 1, 2013)

Born in Philadelphia, Dr. Smulyan received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Pennsylvania, then his MD from the University of Buffalo. He did his internship and residency at Upstate, and then joined the paid faculty in 1959. Dr. Smulyan had a 54 year long career at Upstate, and was Chief of Cardiology from 11/82-1995, and Director of the Cardiology Fellowship Training Program from 7/95-1/99. In addition, he was Chief of the Cardiology Section at the Syracuse VA from 11/77-7/86. He has had numerous leadership roles in national organizations and has published extensively.

#### EMERITUS CONTINUED



# Fuad Farah, M.D. Professor Emeritus of Medicine and Dermatology (Effective February 1, 2014)

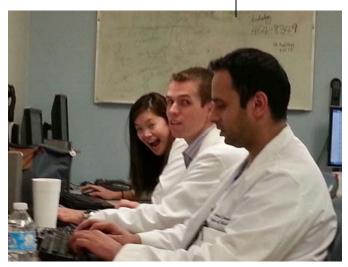
Dr. Fuad Farah has been a member of the Department of Medicine paid faculty since September 1, 1976, and was Division Chief of the Dermatology Division until January 2004. In addition, he has maintained a private practice. Dr. Farah has taught hundreds of medical students and residents. He has served on numerous committees and his research has been widely published.

In 2002 the Fuad S. Farah MD Endowed Dermatology Lectureship was established to honor him.

In the spring of 2009 he was the recipient of a Gold Standard Award for exceptional service to SUNY Upstate, He is a highly respected member of his profession, and is legendary for his professionalism and compassion. Dr. Fuad Farah retired after 38 years of service to Upstate, in the Division of Dermatology, and was recognized for his dedication and contributions at a retirement reception held in his honor on Thursday, May 8th, 2014, in the IHP Atrium.

## **EDUCATION**

Our New Chiefs!!



L to R: Dr. Emerald Banas, Dr. Joshua Harrison and Dr. Omair Chaudhary,

#### **Dr. Emerald Banas**

I have always looked up to my chief residents ever since I was an intern at Upstate, and it was such a privilege when I was chosen to be one of the chief residents. It seemed like a daunting task initially but I decided to take on this challenge, as I believe this year will be a great learning experience for me, both in leadership and administration as well as providing me with an avenue for endless educational opportunities. I have had such a great experience during my first 3 years at Upstate and I am looking forward to staying another year and hopefully influencing the young minds of budding physicians, be it from fresh MS1s to experienced PGY3s.

#### Dr. Joshua Harrison

Looking back at all of the excellent residents who have been our chiefs in recent years, I felt honored to be offered this position. Personally, I view chief residency as a once in a lifetime opportunity. I am excited to be a chief because this position gives me the chance to play a big role in the educational and professional development of our excellent students and residents. I am looking forward to the experience and the challenges that it will bring.

#### **Dr. Omair Chaudhary**

As an undergrad walking up the hills of SU in the shadow of Upstate, I never imagined I'd be here as a resident let alone preparing for my chief year. I've loved my three years here so much I want to stay for one more and make Upstate even better. I'm excited to keep the tradition of excellence going. Josh, Emerald, and I will be an awesome team. Stay tuned for great things!

#### RESIDENT ACTIVITY!!

#### **AWARDS!**

- Dr. Alisha Hemraj has been selected to receive the Resident Award for Professionalism. Her nomination was written by Shannan Morrissey on behalf of the 5A nursing staff. The nursing staff cited her exceptional ability to engage with patients and her effective communication with members of the treatment team. Additionally, their letter showed her commitment and caring attitude toward her patients, their families and staff. They also stated that she is "truly a pleasure to work with" and "should be looked upon as a role model by her peers". The Resident Award ceremony will be held on May 29 from 12 PM -1PM in the Doust Board Room in Weiskotten Hall.
- Dr. Omar Mousa was selected by the Class of 2015 as a recipient for the Humanism and Excellence in Teaching Award (HETA), which is given through the Arnold P. Gold Foundation. The awards will be presented at the Student Clinician Ceremony which is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. in the Medical Alumni Auditorium with a reception to follow.
- <u>Dr. Syed Haider</u> Imam won the Clinical Vignette Poster Competition at Internal Medicine 2014 in Orlando, Florida. The prize for winning the poster competition is \$1,000.
  - "Well it's indeed an honor for me to win Clinical Vignette Poster Competition at National ACP. It's a very prestigious organization for internal medicine and getting your work recognized at this forum means a lot to me as you get to compete with the best of best work presented by residents all over the US. I thank Dr. Knohl and EPO office for giving us the opportunity to present our scholarly work and hope we keep on doing work to make upstate proud!"

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Ahmed Shawkat. The military pattern 'thinking outside the box', presented at ATS American Thoracic Society (ATS) case conference, San Diego, May 18, 2014.
- Amritpal Nat, Amitpal Nat, Amit Sharma, Aravind Pothineni, Ioana Amzuta. Looking beyond the Milwaukee protocol. Chest. 2014 Mar 1; 145(3 Suppl):117A.
- Amritpal Nat, Amitpal Nat, Amit Sharma, Ghanshyam Shastri, Michael Iannuzzi. The most common cause of hemoptysis worldwide: a fluke? Baylor University Medical Center Proceedings 2014 Apr;27(2):118-119.
- Amritpal Nat, Dinesh Subedi. Type 1 Debakey aortic dissection. New England Journal of Medicine. TBD, 2014.
- Amritpal Nat, Namita Sharma, Amitpal Nat, Cristian Del Carpio, Timothy Ford, Pratibha Kaul, Amit Sharma. Air embolism via a broncho-ventricular fistula. *American Journal* of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine 2014 TBD.
- Amritpal Nat, Tanya George, Gregory Mak, Amit Sharma, Amitpal Nat, Robert Lebel. Celiac artery disease and fatal rupture of a hepatic artery aneurysm in the Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome. *Baylor University Medical Center Proceedings*, 2014 Apr;27(2):116-117.
- Arunpreet S. Kahlon, Amrita K. Dhillon, Arundeep S. Kahlon, Lisa Kaufmann. A rare case of malnutrition mimicking stroke, presented at Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY), Tarrytown, NY, April 11, 2014. AC-CEPTED
- Gurmeen Kaur, J. Freitas, G. Fernandez, C. Tatsuoka, F. Kaffashi, K. Loparo, S. Rao, J. Loplumlert, K. Kaiboriboon, S. Amina, I. Tuxhorn, S. Lhatoo. Age-specific peri-ictal electro-clinical features of generalized tonic-colonic seizures and potential risk of SUDEP, presented at AAN, Philadelphia, PA, April 30, 2014. ACCEPTED
- Gurmeen Kaur, Viren Kaul, Denzil Etienne, Aditya Kalakonda, Shalin Kothari. An unusual presentation of IgA nephropathy – pulmonary capillaritis, presented at the National Kidney Foundation (NKF), MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, April 22-26, 2014. ACCEPTED
- Gurmeen Kaur, Viren Kaul, Denzil Etienne, Aditya Kalakonda, Shalin Kothari. An unusual presentation of IgA nephropathy – pulmonary capillaritis, presented at the National Kid-

## <u>Chief Resident, Dr. Pratik Dalal, has been recognized for an outstanding abstract by CHEST at NetWorks.</u>

NetWork: Disaster Response

**Abstract Title**: A Quality Improvement Project to Reduce Congestive

Heart Failure Mortality with Intensive Case Management

#### MORE RESIDENT News!



#### **Resident PUBLICATIONS**

- Amritpal Nat, Amit pal Nat, Amit Sharma, Aravind Pothineni, Ioana Amzuta. Looking beyond the Milwaukee protocol. Chest. 2014 Mar 1; 145(3 Suppl):117A
- Colin Hardin, Pallawi Torka, Veera Durga Panuganty, Mijung Lee, Dongliang Wang, Ajeet Gajra. Evaluation of laboratory and clinical markers for predicting survival in TTP/HUS: A single center retrospective study. *Blood* 2014 Nov; Suppl(15).
- Raja Vadlamudi, Jason Conway, Girish Mishra, John Baillie, John Gilliam, Adolfo Fernandez, John Evans. identifying patients most likely to have a common bile duct stone after a positive intraoperative cholangiogram. *Gastroenterology & Hepatology*, April 2014.
- Subodh Pandey, Sanjay Mukhopadhyay, Michael C. Iannuzzi, Birendra S. Sah. New brain lesions in a patient with sarcoidosis: Is it neurosarcoidosis? *Journal of Vasculitis & Diffuse Lung Disease*. Case Report
- Syamalima Dube, Lauren Panebianco, Amr A. Matoq, Henry H. Chionuma, Christopher R. Denz, Bernard J. Poiesz, Dipak K. Dube. Expression of TPM1k, a novel sarcomeric isoform of the *TPM1* gene, in mouse heart and skeletal muscle. *Molecular Biology International*, 2014. Article ID 896068.
- Vaidya GN, Sharma A, Khorasani-Zadeh A, John S. Enterocolitis without diarrhoea in an adult patient: a clinical dilemma. BMJ Case Rep. 2014 Mar 4;2014. PubMed PMID: 24596412

#### **Grants Awarded!**

### **RESEARCH!**

## Luna Bhatta, MD, Medicine, PI

Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceutical GLORIA - AF: Global Registry on Long-Term Oral Anti-thrombotic Treatment In Patients with Atrial Fibrillation (Phase II/III) 8/8/13-8/8/15

#### Stephen L. Graziano, MD, Medicine, PI

GlaxoSmithKline, Inc.

A Phase II Study of the Selective BRAF Kinase Inhibitor in Subjects with Advanced Non-small Cell Lung Cancer and BRAF Mutations 11/21/13-11/20/14

#### Mark E. Polhemus, MD, Medicine, PI

Cherokee Nation Technology Solutions, LLC

Evaluating the Potential Use of Oceanographic Information and Remotely Sensed Algal Blooms to Predict Risk of Cholera and Other Climate and Water Sensitive Diseases

1/1/14-3/31/14

\$74,430

#### Ruth S. Weinstock, MD, PhD, Medicine, PI

Novo Nordisk Inc.

The Efficacy and Safety of Liraglutide as Adjunct Therapy to Insulin in the Treatment of Type 1 Diabetes 1/13/14-1/12/15

#### **Resident Research**

Dr. Jhapat Thapa
Mentor: Dr. Kan Liu
Topic:
Reviewing Echocardiographic indices to differentiate between mycardial infarction and stress induced
cardiomyopathy.



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## DOM DASHBOARD

New Visits	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov- 13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar- 14	Apr-14	Year to Date
Hospitalist	2	-	-	(1)	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	5
Cardiology	69	79	118	78	80	64	93	54	114	76	92	93	1,010
Dermatology	95	89	111	80	105	88	110	83	85	89	89	89	1,113
Endocrinology Gastroenterol-	185	158	155	164	135	175	137	136	194	158	225	219	2,041
ogy General	94	109	104	125	94	178	123	105	97	110	98	71	1,308
Medicine Hematology/	126	76	128	83	119	96	100	68	112	88	98	139	1,233
Oncology Infectious	224	152	208	139	176	171	190	163	141	152	154	189	2,059
Disease	16	7	13	8	12	23	3	13	10	12	11	4	132
Nephrology Pulmonary/	26	17	37	44	36	44	31	21	45	32	23	22	378
Critical Care	100	54	98	87	100	109	88	76	104	81	102	104	1,103
Rheumatology	82	82	79	81	75	94	59	73	76	101	80	87	969
Geriatrics	24	31	22	45	37	55	45	34	36	66	37	43	475
Total New													
Visits	1,043	854	1,073	933	969	1,097	979	828	1,015	966	1,009	1,060	11,826

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Rolling Year to

May-13 Jun-13 Jul-13 Aug-13 Sep-13 Oct-13 Nov-13 Dec-13 Jan-14 Feb-14 Mar-14 Apr-14 Date

## All Outpatient Visits

Hospitalist	579	305	587	384	482	479	444	517	533	270	389	322	5,291
Cardiology	797	801	1,016	700	745	725	804	533	785	635	774	717	9,032
Dermatology	294	271	311	256	297	297	323	290	261	319	309	320	3,548
Endocrinology Gastroenterol-	1,814	1,630	1,731	1,669	1,635	1,823	1,849	1,620	1,691	1,428	2,024	1,997	20,911
ogy General	498	430	436	457	423	613	464	418	466	384	430	303	5,322
Medicine	2,748	1,743	2,335	2,299	2,401	2,537	2,386	2,139	2,613	2,095	2,072	2,695	28,063
Pharmacology Hematology/	260	275	306	287	275	237	264	248	253	255	284	262	3,206
Oncology Infectious	3,594	2,598	3,264	2,790	3,320	3,012	2,930	3,159	2,802	2,703	2,889	2,937	35,998
Disease	187	118	156	103	128	186	125	139	153	114	134	161	1,704
Nephrology Pulmonary/	254	219	249	291	265	260	235	188	256	215	175	289	2,896
Critical Care	626	395	492	434	486	519	491	448	496	415	418	574	5,794
Rheumatology	618	616	646	634	697	666	542	576	625	629	649	763	7,661
Geriatrics	163	210	173	194	120	237	208	160	197	264	222	247	2,395

Total

**Outpatient Vis-**

its 12,432 9,611 11,702 10,498 11,274 11,591 11,065 10,435 11,131 9,726 10,769 11,587 131,821

Note: Outpatient Visits include

Observation.

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Inpatient	<b>Visits</b>
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Hospitalist	4,600	1,564	2,806	1,713	2,863	3,362	2,306	2,597	3,024	2,692	3,585	3,272	34,384	
Cardiology	504	348	330	502	299	374	353	392	401	513	318	334	4,668	
Dermatology	3	-	3	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	14	
Endocrinology Gastroenterol-	324	197	330	243	296	290	236	283	104	392	490	377	3,562	
ogy General	160	36	158	189	69	155	50	172	156	151	145	189	1,630	
Medicine	353	242	50	337	194	226	252	232	360	256	502	399	3,403	
Pharmacology Hematology/	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
Oncology Infectious	1,971	881	1,509	1,278	1,194	1,888	1,215	1,411	1,522	1,470	1,594	1,465	17,398	
Disease	349	355	313	460	145	266	306	264	198	277	275	194	3,402	
Nephrology Pulmonary/	729	531	553	487	510	584	514	548	677	561	621	597	6,912	
Critical Care	809	525	489	728	490	678	525	596	796	585	719	637	7,577	
Rheumatology	127	154	135	221	101	223	78	71	96	220	101	155	1,682	
Palliative Care	124	45	63	70	19	48	117	7	88	123	80	58	842	
Total Inpatient														

A special thanks to everyone who contributed to this newsletter, especially Dr. William Clay Elliot for providing pictures for us! Thank you, all, and we hope you keep the stories coming. Please forward any news, updates, pictures, etc. to editor, Barbara-Ann Goodwin, for future publications.

10,053 4,879 6,739 6,231 6,181 8,095 5,953 6,573 7,422 7,241 8,431 7,678 85,476

Thanks,

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Visits

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