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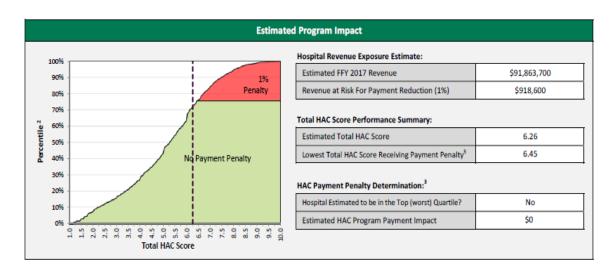


Good News #1

Applies to All Physicians

HAC Informational This past week we received some good news regarding our performance in the Medicare Inpatient Hospital Acquired Conditions (HAC) reduction program. Based on estimates provided by HANYS, our hospital has improved on its FY15 performance (for which we were penalized nearly \$1 million) to a level of performance that is good enough to avoid any penalties at all. Based on projections for FY17, should current performance hold, we will also avoid HAC penalties next year as well. As seen in the attached chart, our projected total HAC score is at about 70<sup>th</sup> percentile nationally (lower is better), and outside of the penalty range. This has largely been driven by improvements in Infection Control.

I want to thank everyone for their attention to reducing HAC's not only for cost savings, but more importantly for the avoidance of harm to our patients. There is still room for improvement, more to come in the months ahead.



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Good News #2

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UHC Informational Last week we also received our current performance in the UHC (now known as Vizient) star ratings. As you may recall, last year Upstate received a one star (out of five) rating for our performance on several key quality measures. According to the latest report, which provides our "half time performance" six months into the year, we have now leapfrogged 41 other academic medical centers and have improved our ranking from 95<sup>th</sup> to 54<sup>th</sup> nationally. Based on current performance, we would likely be considered a three star hospital. This three star rating has been driven by improvements in infection control, overall mortality, length of stay, and equitable healthcare outcomes.

Many, many people across the organization have been involved, including many physicians who have worked to improve their documentation and assist with quality improvement efforts. Thank you for all of the work you have done and, I look forward to continuous efforts at improvement as we aim for a five star rating.

### **Trio 3R MR Scanner**

Applies to All Physicians

Scanner Informational The Radiology MRI Department, located at 550 Harrison Center, is pleased to announce that they will be upgrading their Trio 3T MR scanner with new technological advances.

This upgrade process is expected to take approximately five (5) weeks. During this time period, May 6<sup>th</sup> through June 10<sup>th</sup>, we will be unable to offer services on the Trio 3T MR. We will however, continue to offer services at University Hospital and at our Community campus. The Open MR at 550 Harrison Center will continue offering services during the upgrade from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

The Harrison Center Radiology Department will keep you posted on our progress. In the meantime, we are doing everything possible to accommodate scheduling your patients before the shutdown date.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ann Perechinsky at 464-8491; or, Sue Diraddo at 464-8490

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### **Sleep Teaching Days**

Applies to All Physicians

Teaching Days Informational Upstate's Departments of Pediatric Pulmonology and Sleep Medicine, Medicine and Neurology present Pediatric and Adult Sleep Teaching Days on April 15 and May 7, 2016. Please refer to the following link, and attachments, for more information including CME information. <a href="http://www.upstate.edu/sleepday/">http://www.upstate.edu/sleepday/</a>



#### Pediatric Sleep Teaching Day

Friday, April 15, 2016 8 AM - 3:15 PM

Setnor Hall (directions)

For CMEs/CEs: Program | Register | Pay

Presented by: Upstate Pediatric Pulmonology and Sleep Medicine

Sponsors:







Target Audience: Pediatricians, Family Practitioners, Pediatric Psychologists and Psychiatrists, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Sleep Technologists



#### Adult Sleep Teaching Day

Provider Lecture Series and Public Lecture Series

Both lecture series to be held:

Saturday, May 7, 2016 8 AM - 12:30 PM

OASIS/ Healthlink Building (directions)

For Provider Lecture Series CMEs/CEs: Program | Register | Pay 🚰

For Public Lecture Series: <u>Program | Register |</u> Free and open to the public.

Presented by: <u>Upstate Department of Medicine</u> & <u>Upstate Department of Neurology</u>

Sponsors:











Target Audience: Medical Professionals to include Physicians, Physicians Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Sleep Technologists

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### **Outstanding Physician Comments**

**Applies to All Physicians** 

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:

Joslin – Dr. Izquierdo is fantastic!
I love Dr. Dhaliwal!

Medicine Subspecialties – Dr. Knoll is very understanding.

**Dental** – Dr. Smith and entire staff are professional and very nice people.

**UHCC Neurology** – Dr. Beach – appreciates the time he spends with me until I understand and come up with a decision.

Breast Care Center – Dr. Albert – an overall great doctor who explains procedures, draws pictures to help me understand medical issues, listens (and HEARS) what I have to say, was interested in my health in general and how it affected my health issues. He is very down to earth and very

Dr. Charlamb is a great provider. She is thorough, kind, has great interpersonal skills, knowledgeable.

**University Cardiology** – Dr. Carhart restored my faith and truly showed he cared and was very respectful; I am grateful to have had found him.

**University Geriatricians** – Dr. Bishop is a very caring, knowledgeable individual.

**Transplant Center –** Dr. Whittaker is awesome; staff goes above and beyond.

**Urology** – Dr. Vourganti shows that he cares for the patient.

conscientious.

**8F** – Dr. Wallen is a gem. Aside from his clinical skills as a surgeon, he has a warm and caring manner and explains medical issues in an easy and understandable way.

**7A** – Dr. Azer did an excellent job with my surgery.

**Community Campus –** Dr. Simon was informative, skilled and professional at all times.

Breast Imaging – Dr. Swan was so good at making me feel comfortable and less anxious during my visit.

Dr. Akhtar is very competent and enthusiastic.

CC ENT - Dr. Nicholas was able to explain why a condition has occurred and what I can do.

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For more information and to register go to: www.upstate.edu/sleepday

### **UPSTATE DEPARTMENTS OF MEDICINE AND NEUROLOGY PRESENT:**

# ADULT SLEEP TEACHING DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 7 8 AM - 12:30 PM





# SLEEP TEACHING DAY

**SATURDAY, MAY 7 + 8 AM - 12:30 PM** 

HealthLink/OASIS Center 6333 State Route 298, East Syracuse, NY



### **Adult Sleep Teaching Day Program**

8 - 8:45 am **Registration, Breakfast** 

8:45 - 9 am **Opening Remarks** 

Antonio Culebras, MD
World Sleep Day Co-Chair

9 - 9:45 am REM sleep behavior disorder and other

parasomnias of REM and Non-REM Sleep

Anna Fermin, MD

9:45 - 10:30 am Sleep apnea, cardiovascular disease

and stroke

Antonio Culebras, MD

Fellow American Academy of Sleep Medicine, Professor of Neurology,

**Upstate Medical University** 

10:30 - 10:45 am Coffee Break

10:45 - 11:30 am Obstructive Sleep Apnea: Established

and Emerging Treatment Options

Dragos Manta, MD

Assistant Professor of Medicine Department of Pulmonary Critical Care and Sleep

Medicine, Upstate Medical University

11:30 - Noon Portable Sleep Studies

Adnan Abbasi, MD

Assistant Professor of Medicine,

**VA Medical Center** 

Noon - 12:30 pm Questions and Answers





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#### Learning Objectives:

Recognize and have a basic understanding of REM Sleep Behavior Disorder and other parasomnias of REM and Non-REM

Summarize the relevant information on established and emerging treatment options of obstructive sleep apnea

Understand and have a basic understanding of Portable Sleep Studies

Recognize the relationship between sleep apnea, cardiovascular disease and stroke.

#### **Target Audience:**

Medical Professionals to include Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Sleep Technologists

Conference Cost: MD: \$60

Residents/Fellows: \$35

PA/NP/RN/Respiratory Technicians: \$25

Registration deadline: Friday, April 22, 2016

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To Register Online: www.upstate.edu/sleepday

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**UPSTATE PEDIATRIC PULMONOLOGY AND SLEEP MEDICINE PRESENTS:** 

# PEDIATRIC SLEEP TEACHING DAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 15 8 AM - 3:15 PM









### PEDIATRIC SLEEP TEACHING DAY

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2016 + 8 AM - 3:15 PM

Setnor Academic Building, Upstate Medical University, 766 Irving Ave, Syracuse, NY

### **Pediatric Sleep Teaching Day Program**

8 - 8:45 am	Registration,	Breakfast

8:45 - 9 am **Opening Remarks** 

Thomas Welch, MD, Professor and Chairman

**Department of Pediatrics** 

9 - 9:45 am The Nuts and Bolts of OSA in Children

**Zafer Soultan, MD,** Associate Professor Pediatrics, Chief, Division of Pediatric Pulmonology and Sleep

Medicine, Upstate Medical University

10 - 10:45 am Sleep Apnea in view of the epidemic of obesity

in children

Raanan Arens, MD, Professor of Pediatrics; Chief, Division of Respiratory and Sleep Medicine, The Children's Hospital at Montefiore, Albert Einstein

College of Medicine

11 - 11:45 am OSA in Children, an ENT's perspective

**Haidy Marzouk, MD,** Attending Physician and Assistant Professor, Otolaryngology, Upstate

**Medical University** 

11:45 - Noon **Questions and answers** 

Noon - 1 pm Lunch

1 - 1: 45 pm Controversies in Home Cardiorespiratory

Monitoring: Intermittent Hypoxia, Apnea of

**Prematurity, and ALTE** 

**Larry Consenstein, MD,** Clinical Professor and Chair of Pediatrics, St. Joseph's Hospital; Health Medical Director, Newborn Services, St. Luke's Hospital

1:45 - 2:45 pm Sleepy, Dopey & Grumpy: Behavioral Sleep

Disorders of Childhood

Courtney Du Mond, PhD, CBSM, Lakeside Behavioral Health, Licensed Clinical Psychologist and Board Certified Behavioral Sleep Medicine Specialist

2:45 - 3:15 pm **Questions and Answers** 



Learn essentials of sleep related disorders in children and adolescents and the increase in the incidence of these disorders with obesity epidemic in childhood

Discuss updates on treating obstructive sleep apnea in children

Discuss monitoring and management of apnea in newborns and infants

Discuss sleep related behavior disorders in children and adolescents

#### **Target audience:**

Pediatricians, Family Practitioners, Pediatric Psychologists and Psychiatrists, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Sleep Technologists

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Residents/Fellows	\$ 20	Sleep Center Techs	\$ 15
PA/NP/RN	\$ 20		

Registration Deadline is Friday, April 1, 2016

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