# MORNING CMO REPORT

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### **Immune Health Services**

Applies to All Physicians

DAC Informational The Designated AIDS Center has recently undergone a name change to **Immune Health Services.** Immune Health Services is still designated by the New York State AIDS Institute to provide comprehensive HIV care, primary care and behavioral health services to persons living with HIV (PLH). The name change reflects expansion of our services to persons who are HIV-negative and are preventing HIV through use of pre-exposure or post-exposure prophylaxis. In addition, with modern treatment, the majority of PLH are living full lives free of AIDS, and the re-branding to Immune Health Services reflects the significance of that progress.

### **Upstate Comprehensive Epilepsy Center**

Applies to All Physicians

Epilepsy Center Informational I am pleased to announce the National Association of Epilepsy Centers has recognized Upstate Comprehensive Epilepsy Center as a Level 4 Center. Our center's information and 2015 designation will be posted on the NAEC website <a href="https://www.naec-epilepsy.org">www.naec-epilepsy.org</a> as well as to be published in the US News and World Report for use in its "Best Hospital's" analysis. Congratulations to all involved and thank you for your continued support in maintaining the highest Epilepsy Center designation!

### **Upstate Open**

Applies to All Physicians

Upstate Open Informational

You can help patients cared for at University Hospital while enjoying a glorious day of golf at Timber Banks golf course on July 24<sup>th</sup> at the annual Upstate Open. I hope you will join me and the nearly 300 golfers and volunteers as we celebrate twenty-eight consecutive years of this terrific golfing event.

Last year, Upstate Open raised nearly \$160,000.00 and this year with your participation we can raise even more to reach our goals. The tournament this year will support plans for our new Pediatric Emergency Department.

Thank you for being a part of this great tradition. I appreciate all you do on behalf of our greater mission. For more information on how you can be a part of this fun-filled event or to register, go to <a href="https://www.upstateopen.org">www.upstateopen.org</a> or contact Donna Bruch at the Foundation for Upstate 315-464-4416.

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#### **Schwartz Center Nominations**

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NCCY Award Informational The Schwartz Center for Compassionate Healthcare is now accepting nominations for the 2015 National Compassionate Caregiver of the Year (NCCY) Award. The NCCY Award recognizes healthcare providers who display extraordinary devotion and compassion in caring for patients and families. Nominations close May 1, 2015. For more information, please visit www.theschwartzcenter.org/award

### **Operating Room Access**

Applies to All Physicians

OR Access Informational Any physician needing access to the 3N and 5E operating rooms during off hours, please contact Roxanne Taylor at 464-6137 or <a href="mailto:TaylorRo@upstate.edu">TaylorRo@upstate.edu</a> and she will obtain the security needed. If you have further questions, please contact Roxanne directly.

## **Outstanding Physician Comments**

Applies to All Physicians

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

9G - I love Dr. Benjamin's team

7A – Dr. Ku- gentle and informative; real honest and straightforward about injury

6A – Dr. Cleary was experienced, caring and capable and willing to be unhurried

**Geriatricians** – Dr. Berg is very professional. She is very caring, supportive, pleasant, helpful. I feel I am a person not just another patient. I respect, admire and appreciate her.

**Pediatrics** – Dr. Gorski finely represents what a doctor should be. Hippocrates is looking down from the Greek heavens; proud of Dr. Gorski's practice.

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