

Medical Staff Update

September 2017

Palliative Care, Pain Management and Whole Person Care Symposium: *Providing the Best Care Possible*

September 21 & 22 • Anaheim Marriott

This two-day continuing education symposium covers key topics related to palliative care and pain management and is designed to enhance physicians' daily practice. The course presents new ideas for tailoring the most appropriate treatment plan for each patient and features several of the nation's leading experts in palliative care.

Six breakout sessions each day allow physicians to choose areas of most interest. Case presentation with learner participation, lecture with Q&A session, small group discussion and panel discussion will be used to enhance medical knowledge, improve patient care and procedural skills, build interpersonal and communication skills, and improve professionalism.

Continuing education credit is provided, including a maximum of 13 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ and ABIM Maintenance of Certification points.

2-DAY REGISTRATION for physicians:

\$325 (includes course tuition, electronic course materials, breakfasts, lunches, refreshments and parking)

"This is a unique opportunity to learn about today's most effective and novel care paradigms from nationally-respected experts in their field," explains Eugene Kim, MD, Chief Medical Officer. "Bringing these speakers here allows our physicians to conveniently and cost-effectively enhance their clinical knowledge in an area of enormous growth and patient demand. There is nothing comparable to this symposium available, so please take advantage of this opportunity."

To register, please go to: stjudemedicalcenter.org/events. When registering, please indicate if you will be attending the special workshop "Advanced Communication Training in Using the Serious Illness Conversation Guide" on Thursday, Sept. 21, or Friday, Sept. 22. This exceptional course is optional, however space is limited to 60 attendees per day.

Featured Speakers



Steven Pantilat, MD, FAHPM
 Founding Director,
 UCSF Palliative Care
 Program



Ira Byock, MD, FAHPM
 Founder & Chief Medical
 Officer Institute for
 Human Caring



Glen Komatsu, MD
 Chief Medical Officer
 Providence TrinityCare
 Hospice and Regional
 Palliative Care

Clinical Pearl: Preventing Congestive Heart Failure (CHF) Readmissions

Give more Lasix and no more routine 2 gram sodium diet

Harry Peled, MD, Medical Director Critical Care and Cardiology

The most common cause of CHF readmission is recurrent heart failure. This may be caused by inadequate diuresis at the initial admission because of unwarranted fears of causing renal failure. Small increase in Cr is to be expected and even an elevated Bun/CR ratio may not be a sign of dehydration in this particular population. Because assessing volume status and Lasix dosing is a matter of clinical judgment, it is not used as a quality indicator and therefore tends to be ignored. Yet judicious use of higher doses of Lasix is associated with a lower rate of readmission and is a simple measure we can all incorporate into our practice.

In addition to being unpalatable, two gram sodium diet has never been shown to improve outcomes (and may in fact worsen outcomes) and has been removed from CHF guidelines. Doctors are encouraged to write "no added salt diet" which is far more realistic and can be reasonably continued as outpatient. The CHF educational materials have been updated to reflect these changes.

*Felker GM, Lee KL, Bull DA, et al., NHLBI Heart Failure Clinical Research Network. Diuretic strategies in patients with acute decompensated heart failure. N Eng J Med 2011; 364:797-805.

*Peled H. Readmissions and Diuretic Dosing. Journal of American College of Cardiology : HEART FAILURE; Vol 5:8 August 2017: 617-9

DEA Renewal

Reminder: Your renewal should be submitted at least 4-6 weeks prior to expiration of your DEA certificate. For questions, please contact Medical Staff Services at ((714) 446-5751.

PhysConnect replaced by ShareVue

New provider portal merges acute, ambulatory and community data in one location

To improve care and streamline access to data, St. Jude recently transitioned to ShareVue, a new web-based provider portal powered by the SJH Health Information Exchange (HIE). ShareVue allows you to access acute, ambulatory and affiliated data from more than 250 locations and more than 2,000 providers in one clinically-friendly location. Offering new features and data to support patient care, ShareVue is designed to not only advance patient safety but convenience, preventing the need for duplicate testing and paperwork.

To log in, hospital physicians will use their AD credentials. Non-St. Joseph Health clinical staff should complete the "User Access Form" located at www.sharevue.org and fax it to Medical Staff Services at (714) 447-6411.

Medical Staff Meetings

Surgery Sept./QRC

Sept. 6, 7 a.m.

Medicine Dept./ QRC

Sept. 7, 12:30 p.m.

Pathology Clinical Service

Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m.

Cardiothoracic Dept./ QRC

Sept. 13, 7:30 a.m.

Women & Children's Dept./QRC

Sept. 13, 12:30 p.m.

Emergency

Medicine Clinical Service

Sept. 22, 12 p.m.

Annual Medical Staff Meeting:

Oct. 25, 6 p.m. Nixon Library

This year's event will feature Dike Drummond, MD, a Mayo-trained family physician and the nation's leading coach, consultant and trainer on preventing and reversing the burnout epidemic among doctors. Please RSVP to Medical Staff Services at (714) 446-5751.

St. Jude Welcomes New Physicians

Robert Boonyaputthkul, DO
 Family Medicine

Mark Boonyasampant, MD
 Pathology

Frank Hsu, MD
 Neurosurgery

Gilbert Cadena, MD
 Neurosurgery

Sumeet Vadera, MD
 Neurosurgery

Kevin Balar, MD
 Internal Medicine

Jennifer Hahr, MD
 Internal Medicine

Tuan Phan, MD
 Family Medicine

Sara Tabrizi, MD
 Internal Medicine

Vahe Akopian, MD
 Neurology

Adeel Popalzai, DO
 Neurology

Bobby Bahadorani, DO
 Anesthesia

Dominic Di Tomasso, MD
 Anesthesia

Christopher Lim, MD
 Anesthesia

Michael McCoy, MD
 General Surgery

Mohd Sheikh, MD
 General Surgery

Bob Yin, MD
 Orthopedic Surgery