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PPMC Celebrates Successes



Ralph Muller speaks with Cherlyn Bynum-Burgee, Point of Care Testing Coordinator from Pathology and Laboratory Medicine
Photo by Ted Pettinicchi

On September 8, PPMC celebrated the many accomplishments that took place during fiscal year 2009, while Penn Medicine counterpart HUP was recognized for being listed as the 8th best hospital in the nation by US News and World Report.

Ralph Muller, CEO of the University of Pennsylvania Health System joined PPMC staff in the Atwood Café for cake and congratulatory comments. Mr. Muller thanked all of PPMC for their hard work, dedication to our patients and our culture of continuous improvement, and highlighted some of PPMC's recent accomplishments:

- PPMC was named one of the Top 100 Cardiac Hospitals by Thomson Reuters for the 6th time, a tribute to the staff and physicians at PPMC.
- PPMC Quality initiatives and improvements:
 - o CCU, ACE and 3East nursing units were free of Blood Stream Infections for 12 months.
 - o CCU's Ventilator Assisted Pneumonia (VAP) rate was 0 for 15 months.
 - o MICU was VAP-free for 11 months.
- PPMC's ranking for observed/expected mortality (preventable deaths) in the UHC Data Base dramatically improved to the 1st percentile. Much of this work is attributed to initiatives underway to reduce preventable deaths and improve documentation.
- Re-engineering the patient care pathways through our Patient Progression Initiative significantly improved Emergency Department's divert hours, with a reduction from 468 divert hours in FY08 to 68.5 hours in FY09.
- With the opening of our new Observation Unit, patients who require a longer evaluation period are afforded a comfortable setting while we continue their care.

Mr. Muller provided the audience with his views on what may happen with health care reform. He encouraged all employees to know the facts and to contact their legislators, to thank them for their hard work and let them know their thoughts on the proposed legislation.

Following Mr. Muller's comments, staff enjoyed cake and conversation.



Wright-Saunders Flood Displaces Surgery and Administration Renovations Expected to Take 4-8 Weeks

As many of you know, a pipe burst late in the day on Wednesday, September 9, inside the Thoracic Surgery Department on the second floor of Wright Saunders, flooding and damaging offices on the first and second floors, throughout Surgery, the Library, Conference Rooms and Administration. The repairs and renovations will take anywhere from 4-8 weeks. In the interim, offices have been temporarily moved and various departments have graciously opened their conference rooms up for meetings displaced by the flood.

Good Luck to the PPMC and UPHS MS Bike: City to Shore Team!

On October 3 and 4, the largest UPHS/Penn team in our history— with more than 255 participants—will participate in the 2009 MS Bike: City to Shore ride. Well on their way to reaching their fundraising goal of \$100,000, the team is comprised of employees and friends from across all entities, including PPMC. While late registrants may not receive a team jersey, it's still possible to sign up or donate to the Greater Delaware Valley Chapter of the National MS Society: https://secure3.convio.net/nmss/site/TRR/Bike/PAEBikeEvents/1628221923?pg=ptype&fr_id=10329. The National MS Society uses the funds raised through Bike MS to fuel medical research and provide more services than any other organization in the world.

Join Penn's Heart Walk Team Today!

Your fundraising and recruitment efforts will help support Penn Medicine and the American Heart Association's efforts to develop programs and research dedicated to finding better treatments and cures for heart disease and stroke.

Date:

Saturday, November 14, 2009

Time:

9:00 am: Registration begins

9:30 am: Opening ceremonies

10:00 am: Official start of Start! Heart Walk

Location:

Citizens Bank Park

1 Citizens Bank Way

Philadelphia, PA

To register, visit

PennMedicine.org/heartwalk.

All walkers registered online by Tuesday, October 20 receive a free Penn Heart Walk tee shirt! Tee shirts will be distributed to team captains one week prior to the walk.

Temporary Office Assignments

Name	Bldg	Room #
Michele Volpe	W/S	436
Mary Ann Glowacki	W/S	432B
Bob Russell	W/S	423C (Radiology Administration Area)
Carol Clyde	W/S	432A
Mike Becker	W/S	FAN (Conference Room)
Lynne McShay	WS	FAN
Ana McKee	Mutch	204
Kim Ilagan	Mutch	204
Michael Sheerin	MOB	146 (Orthopaedics Administration)
Lori Gustave	MOB	156
Linda Scott	MOB	146
Terrie Hiltunen	W/S	W244
Joe Huber	W/S	W231 (Marketing office)
Gary Ginsberg	W/S	W182
Dr. Frank Leone & Smoking Cessation staff	3910	4th floor
Drs. Murayama, Golden, Korus and Maron	PHI	2B
Drs. Friedberg and Pechet	MOB	200

Conference Rooms

The current estimate is that the Medical Conference Room W180 and Conference Rooms A & B in Administration will be closed for the next 6 – 8 weeks. We will let you know when these rooms are available again. Any reservation you have currently will remain on the schedule.

Department of Medicine

Conference Rooms

Cathy Greco/Ext. 8989

W128C (Maximum 12 persons)

W124 Gardner Conference Room

(Approximately 30 - 40 persons)

Mutch Building, 8th Floor

Diane Kotonick/Ext. 9301

Solarium* (Accommodates 20 persons)

*Note: Solarium is on the 8th Floor (not 7th);

the Elevator has an "S" for the 8th floor.

Cardiology - PHI

Colleen DeJohn/Ext. 9746

Ann Loney/Ext. 9000

PHI 106 - Lecture Style Room (85 persons)

Attached Conference Room (25 persons) –

must book together

4th Floor Conference Room

(10 – 15 persons)

Radiology Conference Room

Brenda Lacey/Ext. 9137

450 WS (Accommodates 10 persons

around table, total 18 chairs)

CEQI Conference Room

Lisa Glowacki/Ext. 9338

Mutch 2 (15 persons)

Emergency Department

Angela Roach/Ext. 9349

Myrin 1st Floor (15 persons)

Laboratory Medicine

Jane Dougherty/Ext. 8963

W568 (Accommodates 8 at table,

Maximum 15)

Pharmacy

Michael Smith/Ext. 8213

Cupp basement (12 persons)