Department of Pediatrics Newsletter

I. IMPORTANT DATES

July 7: Pizza and a Movie. 6:30-8:30PM in Wright Auditorium. The Division of Adolescent Medicine and host Heather Paves, RD, present “America the Beautiful,” a film by Darryl Roberts. Please RSVP to tracy.anderson@seattlechildrens.org by July 5.

July 22-23: Seventh Annual Pediatric Bioethics Conference. A two-day session at Bell Harbor International Conference Center in Seattle. Through presentations, panel discussions, and breakout sessions, leaders in the field of pediatric bioethics will discuss issues around the theme, “Who’s Responsible for the Children? Exploring the Boundaries of Clinical Ethics and Public Policy.” Register online (http://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=931417) or contact kathie.kohorn@seattlechildrens.org with questions.

July 26: Annual Department of Pediatrics Faculty & Family Picnic. 6:00-8:00PM at Gas Works Park. Entertainment for the entire family, and catering by Smokin’ Pete’s BBQ. Please RSVP with names of attendees to diane.wade@seattlechildrens.org by July 13.

July 28-29: Annual UW Department of Medicine Workshop: Survival Skills for the Research Years. 8:30-4:00PM in Orin Smith Auditorium, South Lake Union, 815 Mercer St. Lunch provided. No tuition fee. Open to any interested fellows and junior faculty from all Departments and Divisions. Topics covered include Grant Writing, Scientific Writing, Oral Presentations, Promotions, Job Negotiations and more. Register online (https://depts.washington.edu/flworien) or contact qfranco@uw.edu with questions.

September 19-23: Intern Retreat. The retreat has been an integral part of intern education for the past 35 years. The interns spend this week participating in workshops to promote communication skills and professionalism. Your support during this week of education and bonding is greatly appreciated by all of the interns and faculty. Coverage will be needed for Medicine Teams, Emergency Room, Medically Complex Children, Newborn Nursery (UW) and Neonatal Intensive Care (UW). Contact pam.burke@seattlechildrens.org for more details.

October 18: Department Faculty Meeting. 5:15-7:30PM in Wright Auditorium. More details forthcoming. Questions? Contact diane.wade@seattlechildrens.org.

II. FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to the faculty and graduating residents who were award winners at the Resident Graduation Banquet:

- Alexa Craig, MD: Fellow Teaching Award
- Ben Danielson, MD: Stanley Stamm Award
- Molly Martyn, MD: Family Centered Care Award
- Suzan Mazor, MD: Faculty Teaching Award

Please see our Department Calendar for a complete list of upcoming events and more information:
http://www.washington.edu/medicine/pediatrics/about/events
• Celeste Quitiquit, MD: Resident Teaching Award; Bergman Prize
• Craig Taplin, MD: Faculty Teaching Award
• Aaron Wightman, MD: Peer Teaching Award

WWAMI Program Coordinator, Carla Salldin, has been nominated by the Maternal and Child Health Bureau’s Division of Research, Training and Education (DRTE) for membership in the National Strategic Plan for Training Work Group. She will be working to inform development of the 2010-2015/2020 plan goals and objectives in D.C. June 20-21, 2011 and ongoing through December.

Erin Allen, MHA, has been nominated to a two-year term as Program Director-Elect of the Association of Administrators in Academic Pediatrics.

Ed Marcuse, MD, MPH, has been appointed to the FDA Advisory Committee on Vaccines and Related Biologic Products.

Murat Maga, PhD, has been awarded an NIH/ NIDCR Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00) for his project “Maternal alcohol exposure: impact on genetic control of craniofacial phenotype.” He will explore the effect of gestational alcohol exposure on the embryonic and post-natal craniofacial development of mice using high-resolution tomographic imaging and three dimensional shape quantification methods.

Daniela Luquetti, MD, PhD, was awarded NIH/ NIDCD Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00) for her project “Phenotypic and Genomic Characterization of Microtia in the Andean Population.” The project will refine the phenotype and investigate the genetic and environmental causes of microtia in the Andean Region of South America, where the frequency of this malformation is three to four times higher than in other countries.

Sandra Juul, MD, PhD, has been invited by the Center for Scientific Review to serve as a member of the Developmental Brain Disorders Study Section from July 2011-June 2017.

Leslie Walker, MD, was presented with the Ken Feldman Award at the annual Juneteenth Celebration on June 16, 2011 at Seattle Children’s. The Odessa Brown Ken Feldman Diversity Award honors an individual at Seattle Children’s who encourages, promotes and displays respect, compassion and advocacy for all people.

Ruth McDonald, MD, was elected secretary of the national Board of Directors of the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS).

Julie Brown, MD, and Nathalia Jimenez, MD, MPH, were the first recipients of the Young Faculty Award presented at the Center for Clinical and Translational Research’s First Annual Science Day on June 2.

Cora Collette Breuner, MD, MPH, FAAP, was reappointed as a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics’ Committee on Adolescence (COA) for a two-year period effective July 2011.

Susanne Martin Herz, MD, PhD, a 2011 graduating fellow in Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics, was awarded her PhD in Child Clinical Psychology. Her dissertation was focused on "Quality of Life and Its Predictors in Adolescents after General Traumatic Injury." Dr. Martin Herz received the "Ethics Prize for Graduate Students" from The Program on Values in Society at the University of Washington for her work on "Ethical Considerations in Postinjury Research in Children and Adolescents."

III. NEW GLOBAL CENTER FOR INTEGRATED HEALTH OF WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND ADOLESCENTS

The Global Center for Integrated Health of Women, Children, and Adolescents is a new center in the School of Medicine and the School of Public Health. A collaboration between the Department of Pediatrics, the Department of Global Health and the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, the center was first envisioned when the UW Department of Global Health was established in 2007. After a recent 7 months of strategic planning efforts led by a multidisciplinary working group that included Grace John Stewart, MD, PhD, MPH, Erin Allen, MHA, Maneesh Batra, MD, MPH, and Judd Watson, MD, MPH, the center is ready for its official launch in September 2011 and well positioned to lead innovative research, education, and service to support sustainable improvements in the health of communities.
IV. FACULTY PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS


Rita Mangione-Smith, MD, MPH:

Jacqueline Starr, PhD:

Michael Cunningham, MD, PhD:

Linda Quan, MD:
1. A keynote speaker at the World Conference on Drowning, May 11, 2011 in Danang, Vietnam, on the development of international guidelines to prevent drowning in open water.


Timothy Cox, PhD, Murat Maga, PhD, and Michael Cunningham, MD, PhD: Facial suture synostosis of newborn Fgfr1(P250R+)/− and Fgfr2(S252W+)/− mouse models of Pfeiffer and Apert syndromes. Purushothaman R, Cox TC, Maga AM, Cunningham ML. Birth Defects Res A Clin Mol Teratol. 2011 Apr 28.

Please let us know of your latest publications, awards, and honors by emailing Brooke Freed: brooke.freed@seattlechildrens.org

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