Department of Pediatrics Newsletter
October 2014

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I. IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, October 22: Housestaff Teaching Conference. 12:30-1:15PM in Wright Auditorium at Seattle Children’s Hospital. “Optimizing Pneumonia Outcomes in African Children” presented by Dr. Elizabeth (Lisa) Allayi Maleche Obimbo, Professor of Paediatrics, University of Nairobi School of Medicine. For live streaming during the event, click on the appropriate link: outside of Children’s Network or within Children’s Network. Questions? Contact pedschiefs@seattlechildrens.org.

Thursday, October 23: Grand Rounds. 8-9AM in Wright Auditorium at Seattle Children’s Hospital. “The Ethics of Early-Phase Trials in Children with Cancer” presented by Dr. Steven Joffe, Emanuel and Robert Hart Associate Professor of Medical Ethics and Health Policy, Vice Chair of Medical Ethics, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania. Questions? Contact kathie.kohorn@seattlechildrens.org.

Friday, October 24: Washington Global Health Alliance Discovery Series: Birth Defects in Iraq: The Consequences of War. 12:30PM in Turner Auditorium (D-209), UW Health Sciences Building. “Environmental Poisoning of Iraq: Why Academics Must Speak Out” presented by Mozhgan Savabieasfahani, Environmental Toxicologist, University of Michigan. For more information, contact ghrc@uw.edu.

Monday, October 27: Washington Global Health Alliance Discovery Series: Birth Defects in Iraq: The Consequences of War. Reception at 5:30PM, Lecture at 6PM at University Temple United Methodist Church (1415 NE 43rd St, Seattle). “The Epidemic of Birth Defects in Iraq: Conversations with an Iraqi Doctor” presented by Dr. Muhsin Al-Sabbak, Obstetrician, Basrah Maternity Hospital, Iraq. For more information, contact ghrc@uw.edu.

Wednesday, October 29: Science in Medicine Lecture. 12-1PM in K-069, UW Health Sciences Building. “Neural Signals for Exploration and Navigation in the Medial Temporal Lobe” presented by Dr. Beth Buffalo, Associate Professor of Physiology and Biophysics, UW. Questions? Contact somevent@uw.edu.

Thursday November 6: UW Medicine Inventor of the Year Event. 5-7PM at UW Medicine South Lake Union (850 Republican Street). The Inventor of the Year Award recognizes exemplary senior scientists whose innovations in their field have dramatically improved worldwide health care and the local economy. Dr. David Russell, Professor of Medicine and Biochemistry, will be recognized and honored as the 2014 Inventor of the Year. In addition, the second Lifetime Innovator Award will be presented to Dr. Buddy Ratner, Director of the UW Engineered Biomaterials Engineering Research Center, Professor of Bioengineering and Chemical Engineering. RSVP by October 30.

Thursday, November 6: Promotion and Reappointment Process with Dr. Fred Rivara. 5-6:30PM in OA.5.340 at Seattle Children's Hospital. Junior faculty and new faculty are invited to attend Dr. Rivara’s annual talk on the promotion and reappointment process and criteria for different faculty tracks. RSVP to diane.wade@seattlechildrens.org.
Save the Dates: 2015 Pediatric Faculty Meetings. Attendance at faculty meetings is an expected faculty responsibility when one does not have unavoidable conflicts. These meetings will be scheduled from 5:15-7:30PM (5:15-5:45PM social gathering; 5:45-7:30PM program) in Wright Auditorium at Seattle Children’s Hospital. Questions? Contact diane.wade@seattlechildrens.org.
- Monday, February 2, 2015
- Wednesday, June 3, 2015
- Monday, October 19, 2015

Save the Dates: Promotion Preparation Meetings. The Department of Pediatrics Promotions Committee requires that faculty members who will be considered in the summer/fall of 2015 for promotion to Associate Professor or Professor attend one of these seminars. If you are being considered in 2015 (to be effective July 1, 2016), you, your Division Head and your Division Head’s assistant MUST attend one of these meetings, even if you attended one last year (you do not all need to attend on the same date). For more information or to RSVP contact diane.wade@seattlechildrens.org or 206-987-1713.
- Tuesday, January 13, 2015, 7:30-8:30 AM, OA.5.341, Seattle Children’s Hospital
- Wednesday, February 11, 2015, 5-6 PM, RC.3.905, Seattle Children’s Hospital

⇒ Please see our Department Calendar for a complete list of upcoming events and more information.

II. FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

October 31: Pre-proposal deadline for the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation’s 2015 Clinical Scientist Development Award Competition

November 11: Deadline for the SPR’s Young Investigator Coaching Program

November 13: Internal deadline for the Brain Research Foundation’s 2015 Fay/Frank Seed Grant Program

December 2: Internal deadline for the Rita Allen Foundation Scholars Award 2015

⇒ Please visit Seattle Children’s Research Funding Watch List or UW Office of Research for more information on funding opportunities.

III. WELCOME TO NEW FACULTY/CHANGES TO CURRENT FACULTY

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IV. CHIEF OF THE DIVISION OF NEONATOLOGY

Sandra (Sunny) Juul, MD, PhD, Professor of Pediatrics, has accepted the position as Chief of our Division of Neonatology and will assume her new leadership duties effective January 1, 2015. This is a great opportunity to continue the very positive trajectory that our Division has begun under Christine Gleason’s leadership to become a top neonatology program in the US. Dr. Juul is a national leader in developing interventions that will provide extreme premature infants with the best possible neurodevelopmental outcomes and also is a skilled clinical neonatologist.

Please join us in congratulating Sunny.
V. 2013-2014 UW MEDICINE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Thank you to the following faculty and community members for serving on the 2013-2014 Admissions Committee for the UW School of Medicine. Members of this subcommittee collectively reviewed over 2700 files, conducted 689 interviews and participated in over 40 hours of meetings to create the best and brightest medical school cohort.

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Thank you also to **Drs. Glen Tamura** and **Michelle Terry** for their efforts in the Faculty Q & A Sessions.

VI. DR. RICHARD SHUGERMAN RECEIVES THE BRUCE C. GILLILAND AWARD

The University of Washington has announced that **Richard Shugerman, MD**, Professor of Pediatrics and Co-Director of the Department of Pediatrics WWAMI programs has been awarded the Bruce C Gilliland Award for Excellence in Teaching of Residents and Fellows. The recipient of this award must be an active clinician and have a distinguished career in graduate medical education.

Dr. Shugerman served as the Director of the Pediatric Residency Program at the University of Washington and Seattle Children’s Hospital from 1992 until April 2014, when he assumed his new responsibilities. Under his leadership, applications to the residency have nearly quadrupled and four residency pathways have been developed (global, domestic underserved, research and Alaska primary care). The residency was ranked fourth in the United States in a recent poll by the US News and World Report and received the Academic Pediatric Association’s National Education Award in May 2014 in recognition of the innovative pathways Dr. Shugerman inspired.

Dr. Shugerman has received many honors. He is a recipient of the Parker Palmer “Courage to Teach” Award from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the Robert S. Holm Leadership Award from the Association of Pediatric Program Directors, and the Stanley Stamm Role Model Award from the University of Washington Pediatric Housestaff. He currently chairs the Programs Directors Committee of the American Board of Pediatrics.

Please congratulate Richard on receiving this prestigious recognition.

VII. FACULTY NEWS

**Dr. Ryan McAdam**’s artwork, “The Orphans” was featured as the cover art for the September 2014 edition of Academic Medicine. Dr. McAdam’s poem, “Baby Cephas” was featured as the Artist’s Statement. [Link](#).

**Dr. Charlotte Lewis** has been appointed to the editorial board of FluorideSCIENCE, published by the Center for Fluoride Research Analysis.

**Dr. Charlotte Lewis** has been appointed to the project advisory committee for the Campaign for Dental Health, which is a national network of organizations working to promote and protect community water fluoridation (CWF).

**Dr. Douglas Diekema** was presented with the William G. Bartholome Award for Ethical Excellence by the Section on Bioethics of the American Academy of Pediatrics at the AAP National Conference and Exhibition in San Diego in October. The William G. Bartholome Award for Ethical Excellence recognizes an individual for significantly impacting public discussion of ethical issues in pediatric medicine.

**Dr. Janet Englund** has been elected to the Infectious Disease Society of America Governing Board for 2014-2018.

**Dr. Frederick Rivara** has been appointed to National Institutes of Health’s Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) Council.

**Dr. Carol Wallace** was featured in AAP News Today in the article “From wheelchair to walking: biologics have dramatic effect in children with rheumatologic diseases”.

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Drs. Laura Richardson and Cari McCarty have three grants to highlight:

1. 5 year R01 grant from the Agency for Healthcare and Research Quality entitled “Improving teen care with health information technology.”
2. 4 year contract from the Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute entitled “Delivering patient-centered adolescent preventive care with training and technology.”
3. 3 year “Promoting adolescent health through personalized feedback,” Funder: Health Resources & Services Administration, funded in April 2014.

Drs. Karyn Yonekawa, Kamill Del Toro (Cardiology fellow) and Hiromi Yoshida (Emergency Medicine fellow) were selected to be in the inaugural class of the UW Certificate Program in Patient Safety and Quality.

VIII. FACULTY PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS


Dr. Charlotte Lewis:


Please let us know of your latest publications, awards, and honors by emailing pedsnews@seattlechildrens.org
Past newsletters are published to the UW Pediatrics website: http://www.washington.edu/medicine/pediatrics/about/news