

# Physician Connection

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## Hurley Announces Partnership with Epic Systems for Most Advanced, World Class, Healthcare Software



Hurley Medical Center's vision to be a leader in improving health care delivery is demonstrated in its new partnership with Epic Systems for the most advanced healthcare software in the world. This new system allows Hurley to implement an integrated electronic medical record that will allow for improvements to the safety and quality in our inpatient and outpatient environments.

"The new Epic system will replace the current mix of electronic and paper processes and systems currently in use today. This will improve access to patient information, quality of patient care and overall patient experience, reduce redundant staff activity, and

enhance Hurley's standing as a community teaching hospital and research center of excellence," says Patrick Wardell, Hurley President and Chief Executive Officer.

Hurley has entered into an agreement with Epic Systems Corporation. Epic provides Hurley Medical Center access to all of its clinical, ancillary and revenue cycle software applications. Epic software is fully integrated across the continuum of care, which means a single patient-centric record is used wherever our patients receive service. "Thanks to this new technology, doctors will be able to track orders and results – even from home, and patients will have access to their own records and will be able to make

appointments and informed decisions about their care," adds Wardell.

Over the next 18 to 21 months, Hurley Medical Center will replace its core clinical systems and processes with the integrated Epic inpatient, ambulatory and emergency department functionality. Hurley will be using the Epic's Model System implementation methodology, based on the best practices of more than 190 Epic customers. Many physicians attended presentations in March on Epic's capabilities. Additional sessions are being scheduled. The new Epic system is expected to go live in 2011.

We will keep you posted on the milestones of this important project.

### APRIL CALENDAR:

**April 14, 2010**  
**Continuing Medical Education**  
*"Chronic Pain, Opioid Prescribing & Addiction Laws"*  
Flint Golf Club  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

**April 24, 2010**  
**Continuing Medical Education**  
*Symposium on Obstructive Sleep Apnea*  
Warwick Hills Golf Course  
8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**April 28, 2010**  
**Continuing Medical Education**  
*Infectious Disease Symposium- "Food Borne Disease"*  
U of M Flint, Harding Building  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

### MAY CALENDAR:

**May 12, 2010**  
**Continuing Medical Education**  
*Pediatric Obesity*  
Holiday Inn Gateway Centre  
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

**May 22, 2010**  
**Continuing Medical Education**  
*Risk Management Update*  
Holiday Inn Gateway Centre  
7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**May 26, 2010**  
**Continuing Medical Education**  
*Oncology Series*  
Flint Golf Club  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

No charge unless noted.  
Register for CME Events  
1.888.611.4HMC



Hurley Medical Center Rehabilitation Services and Family Orthopedics have joined forces as a major sponsor for the First Annual Flint Arthritis Walk on Saturday May 8, 2010. Please visit [www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org) for more information.

# Hurley Ball "Glitz for the Bricks" Raises \$200,000!

The 29th Annual Hurley Foundation's Benefit Ball held on March 6, 2010, was a huge success. About 490 people attended the black tie gala which was held at the Holiday Inn Gateway Centre in Flint. Thanks to their tremendous show of support, we reached our goal - \$200,000 was raised to benefit the Hurley Pediatric Emergency Department & Level I Trauma Center renovation!!

The event highlighted a young boy, Archer Granger, who was airlifted to Hurley Medical Center in August, 2009 after his foot was 95% severed by a riding lawn mower on a farm near Brown City. Over 40 Hurley physicians, nurses, and medical staff were able to save the boy's foot. Although he was not expected to walk, he was "running" by November, thanks to the medical care at Hurley.

"I am so thankful for the excellent care Archer received, and the amazing support and warmth from your medical staff," Archer's mom Jennifer Granger said. "Hurley is the place to go for children. I'll never go anywhere else. I am so grateful to Hurley and believe Archer's recovery is a complete miracle. Hurley saved his life - and his legs."

In keeping with the theme, "Glitz for the Bricks", the ballroom was transformed into a sparkling wonderland. The attendees enjoyed fine wines and delicious cuisine, accompanied by great entertainment and dancing. The silent auction included a wide variety of items on which to bid throughout the evening.

The Hurley Foundation thanks our co-chairs – Karin & Mike Burnett, as well as our sponsors, in-kind sponsors, guests, volunteers and Hurley staff who made this very special evening possible.



*Hurley Trauma and Emergency Physicians*



*Dr. & Mrs. Elmahdi Saeed enjoy the evening.*



*Peter Granger, Archer Granger, and Pediatric Critical Care Physicians Mahesh Sharman MD, George Zureikat MD, and Brian Nolan MD*



*Dr. & Mrs. Sam Dismond demonstrate the fox trot.*

# Patient and Family-Centered Care Update

Hurley now has a Patient and Family-Centered Care Steering Committee. The committee membership is multi-disciplinary with representation from the hospital board, administration, medicine, nursing, support services and two patient and family advisors to represent our health care customers and the community. The team met for the first time in February and will be working to implement patient and family-centered care as the model of care delivery at Hurley Medical Center.

The committee's first order of business is to complete a hospital self-assessment inventory, which will provide us with a picture of our current status as it relates to patient and family-centered care. Using the assessment as a tool we will be able to prioritize the next steps needed for implementation and develop an action plan for the advancement of PFCC. The steering committee, along with several physician leaders and members of Hurley senior leadership will attend

an intensive training seminar conducted by the Institute for Family-Centered Care.

This is an exciting time and an opportunity to be a part of something bigger than ourselves as we begin what truly will be a journey of culture transformation. The Institute for Family-Centered Care has a very informative website that can provide valuable information about this process and links to the many other hospitals that are already on this road.

For more information please visit the website, [www.familycenteredcare.org](http://www.familycenteredcare.org), and take a look. We will need the active involvement of many Hurley physicians, employees, patients and patient family members as we move forward. For more information or to express an interest in becoming involved, please contact me. Karen Lantzy RN, MSN Patient and Family-Centered Care Coordinator (810) 424-4982 Klantzy1@hurleymc.com

## ANNOUNCING...

Dr. Josetta Tharippeal of South Saginaw Internal Medicine has retired. We wish her all the best & thank her for many years of commitment and dedication to her patients and to Hurley Medical Center.

Dr. Ahmed Arif and Dr. Mohammed Syed of Flushing Road Internal Medicine & Pediatrics have assumed Dr. Tharippeal's practice and patients at her former location on Saginaw Street, which will be an additional office location for Drs. Arif & Syed.

Please direct any correspondence about Dr. Tharippeal's patients to Drs. Arif and Syed at:

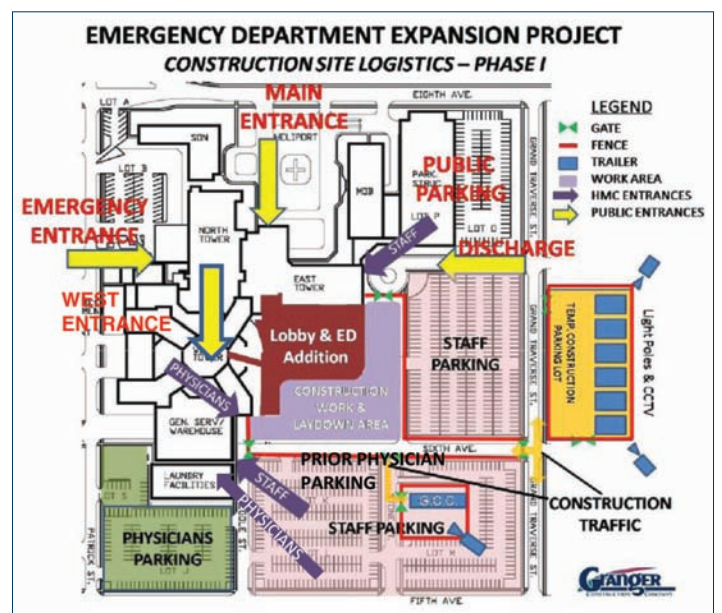
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## Physician Parking Update

Beginning April 19, physicians will park in Lot J (near the Laundry). Physicians will enter the parking from Patrick Street and leave the lot on Begole Street.

Physicians may access the hospital by a "Restricted Access" door located at ground level just west of the current entrance. By entering here, physicians can go up one flight of stairs to arrive at the back entrance of the Physician Lounge or Resident Lounge. Or if you prefer, you may enter through the laundry "atrium" and follow the signs through General Services and take the elevator up one floor. Patient parking will remain the same at this time.

Public Safety staff will be available to answer questions and guide you for the first week. If you have any questions, please contact Physician Services at 810.762.7302 or Public Safety at 810.257.9012.



## FOUNDATION NEWS

### Tune in and Support Hurley Kids!

This year's "WIOG Cares for Kids" Radiothon will be held on Thursday, April 29 - May 1, 2010 at Hurley Medical Center. Be sure to tune-in to 102.5 FM to hear heartwarming stories about many of our miracle children and the amazing doctors, nurses, and therapists here at Hurley.

#### Contact

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for more information.

## We're Here For You!

The Hurley Physician Support Team is the physician communication link with Hurley Medical Center and serves as the point of contact for any questions, comments or suggestions. The team conducts in-person office visits, on-site hospital or phone consultations and e-mail to provide physician support.

The Hurley Physician Support Team also offers:

- Hospital orientations, tours and introductory meetings with other members of the medical staff and hospital administration.
- Access to printed materials for specific Hurley Medical Center services and programs.
- Maintenance of physician information for TheHealthcare Connection.com, Hurley Medical Center websites and the Hurley Provider Directory.

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The Physician Support Team can be reached  
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