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Hurley Medical Center Receives CME Accreditation with Commendation

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The Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) Committee on CME Accreditation recently awarded the Hurley Medical Center Institute for Continuing Medical Education six-years of Accreditation with Commendation as a provider of category 1 Continuing Medical Education (CME) activities. The accreditation will run through September of 2017. Of the 55 CME providers in the state, Hurley Medical Center is one of only six to achieve "Commendation" status.



Under the direction of Michael Boucree, MD, Chief Quality Officer and Chair of

the Medical Staff Education Committee (MSEC), Hurley Medical Center met the 15

basic and seven commendation criteria as required and reviewed by MSMS. For the latest four-year review program (2007-2011), Hurley's CME program provided 126 activities to 13,278 participants; 1483.75 hours of continuing medical education Category I credits were provided through these activities. The Hurley CME program is governed by the Medical Staff Education Committee (MSEC), a committee of the Professional Staff Organization

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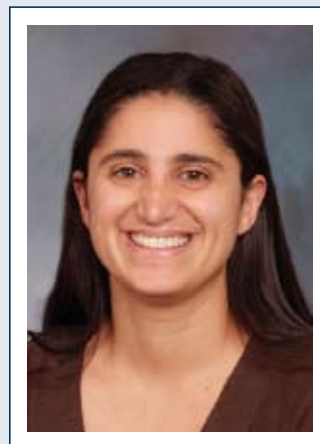
Hurley Medical Center Announces Pediatric Program Director, Mona Hanna-Attisha, MD, MPH

Hurley Medical Center is pleased to announce that Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha has accepted the position of the Pediatric Program Director. Dr. Hanna-Attisha is a graduate of Michigan State University's College of Human Medicine and University of Michigan's School of Public

Health. She trained as a pediatric resident and a chief resident at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit. As an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Wayne State University School of Medicine, Dr Hanna-Attisha has enjoyed teaching medical students and residents. Since 2009, she has

been the Associate Pediatric Program Director at Children's Hospital of Michigan.

Dr. Hanna-Attisha has familiarity with the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine-Flint Campus as she completed her undergraduate clerkship



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New Main Lobby Ribbon Cutting - June 17, 2011 at 10 am

First Step in Paul F. Reinhart Emergency Trauma Center Expansion Project

On June 17, 2011, Hurley Medical Center will unveil our new 9,000 square foot lobby with a special ribbon cutting, highlighting the first step in our Paul F. Reinhart Emergency Trauma Center expansion project. Hurley's new lobby will feature natural light and views of a new landscaped Dort Park. It will encompass a new admitting office, gift shop, coffee shop and concierge desk. We look forward to greeting the community when the new lobby officially opens on June 20, 2011.



"We are proud to share our new lobby with the City of Flint and the Genesee County community - it is a warm and comforting environment. Hurley continues to invest in the future to better serve the needs of our community. Our new front entrance will face

Fifth Avenue and downtown Flint, embracing and being part of the improvements happening along the University Avenue corridor," says Patrick R. Wardell, Hurley President and Chief Executive Officer.

Hurley's new ED and Trauma Center will be

Please Join the Hurley Foundation
for the opening and unveiling of the new Hurley lobby.

Open House Reception
Wednesday, June 15, 2011
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Light refreshments will be served.
Valet parking Available by turning on Sixth Avenue.

Please RSVP by calling 810.262.4938

named the Paul F. Reinhart Emergency Trauma Center; to honor the late Paul F. Reinhart, who was dedicated to ensuring adequate and fair distribution of Medicaid funding for hospitals throughout the entire state of Michigan. The new Paul F. Reinhart Emergency Trauma Center is expected to be completed by February 2012.

Note: Patients will now park in front of the main entrance. Physicians will continue to park in the current lot or parking ramp.

Hurley Physician Samuel R. Dismond, MD, and Janice A. Dismond, RN Receive Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) Presidential Citation

Samuel R. Dismond, Jr., MD, Hurley Family Physician, and his wife, Janice A. Dismond, RN, were presented with a Presidential Citation during the 146th annual meeting of the Michigan State Medical Society House of Delegates on April 30 in Kalamazoo.

"We feel so honored to be recognized by MSMS

and to receive such a prestigious award. Mrs. Dismond and I love medicine and are committed to giving our patients the most comprehensive and outstanding clinical care possible at Hurley Medical Center, day in and day out. We love what we do, and try to make a difference each day in the lives of

our patients that we care so deeply about," said Dr. Dismond and his wife, Janice.

The award was presented to the Dismonds by outgoing MSMS president Daniel B. Michael, MD, PhD, for their distinguished service to the practice of medicine by providing medical care to



patients in dire need for more than five decades.

Congratulations, Dr. and Mrs. Dismond!

Thank You!

Hurley congratulates the following doctors who reached milestone Hurley anniversaries between January 1, 2011 and June 30, 2011. Thank you for your commitment to the Hurley mission – Clinical Excellence. Service to People.

35 Years of Service

Abdelmajid I Jondy, MD - General Surgery
Celestine M Joseph, MD - Obstetrics & Gynecology

30 Years of Service

Muhammad H Al-Midani, MD - Gastroenterology
Cathy O Blight, MD - Pathology
John Hebert III, MD - Obstetrics & Gynecology
Pacita L Tanhehco, MD - Pediatric Allergy/Immunology

25 Years of Service

Larry E Fleischmann, MD - Pediatric Nephrology
Michael J Macksood, DO - Urology
Paul H Musson, MD - Internal Medicine

20 Years of Service

Samir Basata, MD - Urology
Ureddi R Mullangi, MD - Diagnostic Radiology
Randolph E Schumacher, MD - Geriatric Medicine
Gerard Williams, PhD - Psychology

15 Years of Service

Sidney M Broder, MD - Neurology
James Dowd, MD - Pediatric Rheumatology
Myriam A Edwards, MD - Internal Medicine
Purushottam N Naik, MD - Internal Medicine
Dean W Singer, DPM - Podiatry
Edward P Stack, MD - Ophthalmology
Basim A Towfiq, MD - Internal Medicine

10 Years of Service

Rao S Botta, MD - Allergy/Immunology
Michael L Netzloff, MD - Pediatric Endocrinology
Sarah R Sanchez, MD - Pediatrics

5 Years of Service

Kirk G Banerian, MD - Neuroradiology
Joshua I Newblatt, DO - Emergency Medicine
Robert Ortega, MD - Diagnostic Radiology
Sean D Paulsen, MD - Diagnostic Radiology
Joseph P Shen, MD - Diagnostic Radiology
James J Vyskocil, MD - Pulmonary Medicine

Hurley recognizes the dedication and commitment of all doctors. As a new feature in the Physician Connection, Hurley will acknowledge five year anniversary milestones for our doctors twice annually.

Federal Grant Funds Available for Staff Training on Electronic Medical Records

Great news! Your office may qualify for federal grant funds to help defray the cost of staff training on Electronic Medical Records (EMR). Genesee/Shiawassee Michigan Works is administering the program which covers 50% of training cost for your staff.

To hear more about this exciting opportunity, please contact Carol Piesko, Director of Business Services, Michigan Works Career Alliance, Inc. at 810.233.5974, ext. 348 or cpiesko@careeralliance.org.

Hurley Welcomes

Mohammad Naseem, MD, Diagnostic Radiology

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training in Flint. It was at Hurley Medical Center that Dr. Hanna-Attisha fell in love with pediatrics. She credits the excellent pediatric faculty and robust Flint clinical campus for her current career trajectory. "I look forward to reconnecting with old friends, making new ones, and working together to positively impact the lives of children in the greater Genesee County area and beyond," adds Dr. Hanna-Attisha.

Dr. Hanna-Attisha's academic experience at Children's Hospital included the supervision of over 100 residents, the development of a longitudinal curriculum, the implementation of an online education platform, the active participation of the recruitment and selection of residents and membership in key residency training program committees. Dr. Hanna-Attisha was also instrumental in designing and already implementing the new Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) duty hour requirements into the resident schedule at Children's. Her interest in public health, high energy level, excellent communication skills and creativity will continue to enhance the academic environment at Hurley and strengthen our pediatric commitment to the community.

Dr Hanna-Attisha is excited about being part of the future of Hurley Pediatrics and Medical Education at Hurley. Her official start date was June 6, 2011.



Dr. Farhan Khan Recognized by Blue Cross

On March 11, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan recognized Farhan Khan, MD for his "Best Practice for Community" in the Patient Centered Medical Home initiative. Congratulations, Dr. Khan.

Hurley Medical Center physicians are leaders in the community with currently 15 practices identified as Patient Centered Medical Homes by BCBS.

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(Medical Staff), established in the Medical Staff bylaws.

As an accredited provider of CME for physicians, the Hurley Medical Center Institute for Continuing Medical Education is bound by stringent regulations that monitor the credibility of programs and assure they are provided without commercial bias from the speakers. The purpose of CME is to provide physicians programs to enhance their knowledge, competence, and performance - ultimately to improve patient outcomes. Physicians in Michigan are required to obtain a prescribed number of CME hours (150 in a three year period) to maintain their medical licenses.

The Hurley CME program has been accredited for more than 15 years and is currently funded through a portion of the medical staff dues. The CME Department conducts a Needs Assessment each year to ascertain physician desires for topics, professional practice "gaps" to be filled, and type of CME educational session; e.g. live session, on line, full-day, half-day, etc.

The Hurley CME program implemented many improvements over the past four years, including improved compliance requirements for Regularly Scheduled Series (formerly known as Grand Rounds); annual medical staff funding for CME derived from medical staff dues; three and six month surveys post-CME activity for ongoing measurement of knowledge, competence and performance; an on-line calendar; and a speaker honoraria policy to assure consistency in payments for speakers. Additionally, the CME program has added focus on physician knowledge, competence, performance, and patient outcomes to take our program to deeper levels.

The "commendation" component of the CME Accreditation required Hurley to extend the "reach" of CME to meaningful integration. This reach was accomplished through:

- Collaboration with key organizations to improve health outcomes in our community, including the Genesee County Health Department, Community Mental Health, Greater Flint Infectious Disease Forum, and the Genesee County Dental Society, among others

- Positioning ourselves to be influential in many areas through community leadership positions held by MSEC members
- Utilizing non-educational strategies to enhance professional change, evidenced by our performance improvement in the National Patient Safety Goals
- Working in the community to address patient outcome factors outside our control such as childhood obesity and patient smoking habits.

The newly awarded six-year accreditation marks the beginning of a new journey for our CME program. There are many future plans, including:

- The use of CME to educate physicians on Epic to improve patient safety & quality of care
- Electronic CME and enduring materials to lengthen the life of our educational sessions
- Greater focus on the professional practice gaps, objectives, and outcomes for our programs
- Continuing our strong RSS (grand rounds) programs
- Further collaboration as we work to influence the health of our community through professional education.

We would like to acknowledge the members of the Medical Staff Education Committee (MSEC) for their guidance and support:

- Michael Boucree, MD, Chair*
- Elyse Berry, Director Physician Services/CME*
- Michelle Landis, CME Coordinator*
- Samuel Dismond, MD*
- Susumu Inoue, MD*
- Asif Ishaque, MD*
- Jitendra Katneni, MD*
- Hemant Thawani, MD*
- Kay Taylor, PhD*
- Diane Welker, RN*
- Sharon Williams, MS*

Special thanks to Michelle Landis, CME Coordinator, for her dedication to and tireless work for the CME program and Regina Waller, former interim Director of CME and Physician Services for her many contributions and improvements to our program.

Secretary of State Visits Hurley During Organ Donation Awareness Month - Representative Daley Among Those Sharing Personal Stories of Donation



Left to right: Dr. Michael Jaggi; Tim Makinen, Gift of Life; Rep. Kevin Daley; Lisa Langley, Michigan Eye-Bank; Secretary of State Johnson; Sen. John Gleason; Patrick Wardell, Hurley President & CEO.

On April 25, 2011, Secretary of State Ruth Johnson visited Hurley, along with lawmakers and advocates, and unveiled a proposed license plate design to benefit organ donation efforts statewide. "I applaud all those

using innovative approaches to increase awareness of the need for organ donors," said Johnson. "With 3,000 people in Michigan waiting for an organ, we need to continue to take any and all steps to help save lives."

Johnson was joined by Senator John Gleason (D-Flushing) and Representative Kevin Daley (R-Lum) at Hurley Medical Center. They and other organ donation advocates spoke about the importance of joining the Michigan Organ Donor Registry and new initiatives designed to expand the list. A contest will determine the actual design of the license plate, should it be approved by the legislature.

Daley, whose 23-year old son Thomas died in a farm accident in January, said "signing up to be an organ donor means that in the midst of a time of grief and sorrow, someone else can experience joy and renewed hope. My family and I

remain comforted that Thomas' vibrancy lives on through the gift of his organs. In honor of my son, I encourage everyone to sign up on the Michigan Organ Donor Registry."

Secretary of State branch employees are to ask customers if they would like to join the registry. Anyone who is interested may also sign up at hurleymc.com, and at the Secretary of State website at Michigan.gov/sos. Those who sign up will receive a red heart sticker for the front of their license or state ID card. For more information about Gift of Life Michigan, contact the agency at 800.482.4881 or giftoflifemichigan.org.

Mayor Dayne Walling Visits Hurley's ED Site City of Flint Recently Named by Kiplingers Report as One of Eleven "Comeback Cities" in 2011: Flint's Hurley Medical Center Cited as a Contributing Factor

On April 21, 2011, Mayor Walling, along with various business leaders, county commissioners, members of the Genesee Regional Chamber of Commerce, and Diplomat Specialty Pharmacy, visited Hurley to highlight growth sectors contributing to Flint's

economic revitalization. This comes following Kiplinger's Report listing Flint as one of eleven "comeback cities" in 2011, citing Hurley Medical Center. The list was compiled by Kiplinger, a business and finance forecasting publication.



"This distinction doesn't take away from the challenges we face and I face at City Hall," Flint Mayor Dayne Walling said. "It shows Flint and Genesee County is poised for growth and diversification in 2011... There is hope and there is progress."

The Kiplinger's Flint entry cites local hospitals as well as the relocation of Diplomat Specialty Pharmacy's headquarters in the city as a boon for the region. It also mentioned General Motors' plans to start a third shift at the Flint Truck Assembly plant this summer.

Nationally Recognized Hurley Asthma Center Unveils Hurleyasthmakids.com Newest Educational Tool for Patients & Families World-Wide

At Hurley Medical Center, we take asthma very seriously. In fact, we're a leader in the state of Michigan for asthma care, with the only home-based Asthma Disease Management program in the region. Our Asthma Disease Managers go to health fairs, schools, congregations, doctors' offices, and community centers to teach people how to control, and prevent asthma. Now, we have a new tool for patients and families everywhere: Hurleyasthmakids.com.



"Stars" of the hurleyasthmakids.com website

The Genesee County Asthma Network (GCAN) is a team of people who try to reduce asthma in our community. Teachers, parents, pharmacists, doctors, and school nurses are all part of this network. "The GCAN is dedicated to educating and improving support services for children with asthma in the community, including a day camp for kids with asthma and the development of family support groups. We are honored to be able to educate the public in this way, day in and day out, and really change children's lives, for the better. Today, the Hurleyasthmakids.com website will allow us to take that education to a whole new level," says Jan Roberts, RN AE-C, coordinator at the GCAN.

The Genesee County Asthma Network involves home visits, school/daycare/worksites visits, and physician office visits. Their plan of care allows them to follow a patient for up to 18 months to help them manage not only their asthma, but their environment as well.

wonderful way to educate people around Genesee County, and the world - of what asthma is, and how to treat it and manage it successfully," adds Brian Nolan, MD, Director, Clinical Pediatrics at Hurley.

"Asthma can often be controlled, and the most important thing is to not only teach kids how to manage this disease, but to continue the treatment as needed. That can mean the difference between life and death, in some cases. Hurleyasthmakids.com is a

For more information on the Genesee County Asthma Network or how to connect a patient, please contact at 810.262.2130 or visit hurleyasthmakids.com



Russ Winters Receives Sue A. Wright Nursing Award

Hurley celebrated Nurse's Week May 9 through 15. The Sue A. Wright Award for Excellence in Nursing was awarded to Russ Winters, RN in the ICU. Russ is one of Hurley's best kept secrets, precepting his 50th new ICU nurse this year! He is described by as peers as a "great teacher" and "very caring and knowledgeable." This year we had five other deserving nominees and would like to recognize their nursing excellence: Carol Fehik, RN in the ED; Denise Ylitalo, RN, Employee Health Office; Cathy Radka, RN, 2N APG; Lynn Boyd, RN, CICU; and LuAnn Schuman, RN, 9E Oncology. Congratulations!!

Left to right: Patricia Roberts, SVP, Patient Care Services and CNO; Russ Winters, RN.

Hurley IM Resident Dr. Haseeb Basha Wins 1st Place at 2011 ACP-Internal Medicine Meeting



Haseeb Ilias Basha MD, a first-year Hurley Internal Medicine resident physician, took home a first-place national research award in the Associates Research Poster category of the 2011 American College of Physicians-Internal Medicine meeting, held in San Diego on April 7.

Two other Hurley physicians coauthored the research poster with Basha: Ghassan Bachuwa MD, director of the Internal Medicine Residency Program at Hurley, and Huda Elhwairis MD, faculty member in the same program.

The award-winning poster describes a 3-arm research study that Basha and his colleagues conducted, examining the role of a pro-inflammatory, pro-fibrotic Th17 pathway in recurrent, Hepatitis C-induced allograft fibrosis following orthotopic liver transplantation. The work was funded by National Institutes of Health (NIH DK065982, awarded to coinvestigator

T. Mohanakumar PhD of Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.)

Basha, a Grand Blanc resident, joined Hurley Medical Center as a resident physician in July 2011. He graduated with honors from Stanley Medical College, India, in 2007, and in 2008 began work as a postdoctoral research associate in transplantation and cancer immunology at Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. He has published more than 20 peer-reviewed articles and abstracts and has delivered several oral and poster presentations in national and international conferences. In 2009, he received the Young Investigator Travel Award

from the American Society of Transplantation.

Basha is newly married. His wife attends medical school at Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX, and his parents live in India.

Other coauthors of the award-winning poster, A Crucial Role for Pro-Inflammatory and Pro-Fibrotic Th17 Pathway in Recurrent Hepatitis C-Induced Allograft Fibrosis Following Orthotopic Liver Transplantation, include Vijay Subramanian MD, William Chapman MD, Jeffrey S. Crippin MD, and T. Mohanakumar PhD, all of Washington University.

Congratulations, Dr. Basha!

7-Year-Old Pediatric Patient Archer Granger Named as CMNH Michigan Champion: Travels to Washington, D.C. and Orlando



Left to right: Pete Granger, Jennifer Granger. In front, left to right, Delaney and Archer.

On May 10, Archer Granger and his family were surprised as Walmart Stores presented the Metamora family with a \$500 shopping card, courtesy of Walmart Super Center on Corunna Road in Flint Township. Archer was named 2011 Children's Miracle Network Hospitals (CNMH) Champion for Michigan. Archer's family will travel to Washington, D.C. and Walt Disney World in Orlando, as part of his role as ambassador. The Flint Journal, View Newspapers and ABC12 covered this special press conference on May 10th.

In August, 2009, Archer was involved in a lawn mower accident, severing 95 percent of his right foot and cutting off one and a half toes on his left foot. Archer was airlifted to Hurley Medical Center. Doctors immediately went to work reattaching the partial amputation of Archer's right foot with four surgeries, a skin graft and pins in both feet to repair the broken bones. It took 18 surgeons, several specialists and nearly 40 attendants to save Archer's feet. Hurley's clinical staff consider Archer's complete recovery nothing short of a miracle.

Congratulations, Archer!

Digital Mammography Available at Hurley



We are pleased to announce that Digital Mammography is now available in Hurley's Radiology Department. Mammograms are the preferred diagnostic test to detect breast cancer in its early stages. They do this by using X-rays to scan the breasts for cancer. For many years, the only option was mammograms that record images of the breast on film. Now, digital mammograms are available - they store and analyze the information using a computer, similar to the way a digital camera takes and stores pictures.

To schedule your patient for a mammography, please call 810.262.9194.

We're Here For You!

The Physician Services Team is your 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.

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