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David McQuaid Takes the Helm at TJUH



There's been a change at the top of Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals. A new era of leadership began on July 1, as David P. McOuaid, FACHE,

assumed the title of president.

David has been the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Jefferson since 2007. In acknowledging his new role as president, he said, "Whatever we can do to ensure extraordinary patient care and service, is what this job is all about."

Before coming to Jefferson David served as CEO at Durham Regional Hospital, Inc., part of the Duke University Health System, and as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at the Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center in Baltimore, Maryland.

David is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives, serves on the Quality and Care Management Committee for the Hospital Association of Pennsylvania, and formerly served as a member of the Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Program.

Asked about organizational priorities on the horizon for Jefferson, David shared the following goals:

Service Excellence: striving to make the patient experience exceptional each and every time, and seeking continuous improvement in this area.

Collaboration: working with a broad base of Hospital and University leaders and clinicians to focus on strategies and operational improvements.

Integration: developing a corporate structure that allows the Jefferson Health System, the Hospitals and the University to leverage their collective strengths.

Alignment: bringing the priorities and practices of the Hospitals in line with those of our physicians to improve operational efficiency.

"If we can achieve all of this, we'll be better positioned to manage our patients' care across the entire healthcare continuum, at every step of the way, added David. "We've already started."

David has been working closely with Mark Tykocinski, MD, Dean of the Jefferson Medical College, to put these goals into practice, to advance the overall Jefferson mission of providing extraordinary clinical care, offering an exceptional education, and powering groundbreaking research.

"I am genuinely honored and deeply humbled to have the chance to steward this great institution," the new president said. "Jefferson is strong. We'll be even stronger."

Jefferson Nationally Ranked in 11 Specialties Thomas Lefferson University Hospitals



Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals has again been ranked by *US News & World Report* in its 2012 Best Hospitals survey as among the best in the nation in 11 specialty areas. TJUH also saw a dramatic improvement in ranking in nine of these specialties.

2012 TJUH National Ranking Highlights:

- 7th in the nation for orthopedics
- 12th in the nation for pulmonology
- 14th in the nation for rehabilitation medicine

Jefferson is also nationally ranked in eight other specialties, including ear, nose & throat (16), cancer (20), gastroenterology (22), diabetes and endocrinology (25), urology (27), geriatrics (31), nephrology (39), and gynecology (40). This year marks a dramatic improvement in nine of Jefferson's 11 ranked specialties.

Other Highlights

The magazine also ranked Jefferson as high-performing in cardiology and cardiac surgery and neurology and neurosurgery. In addition, the Hospital was ranked number three in the state of Pennsylvania and number two in the Philadelphia metro area.

"Jefferson University Hospital is again honored to be among the top hospitals across so many specialties," said David P. McQuaid, FACHE, President, Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals, Inc. "This recognition is a reflection of our commitment to our patients and providing a standard of care that is among the very best in the nation and the region. Our clinicians and staff work tirelessly to move us forward and provide the high-quality care the community has come to expect from Jefferson."

NIH Grants Jefferson \$2.6 Million to Study Imaging Method That Would Reduce Prostate Cancer Biopsies

"This noninvasive method could significantly contribute to the management of prostate cancer," said lead researcher Mathew Thakur, PhD, Professor of Radiology. "It would result in a reduction of unnecessary biopsy procedures and undertreatment or overtreatment that yield minimal benefits, incontinence or impotence."

Jefferson's Kimmel Cancer Center and the Department of Radiology at Thomas Jefferson University have received a five-year, \$2.6 million grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to investigate a potentially revolutionary method that can stage prostate cancers and detect recurrent disease so accurately, it would significantly reduce the number of confirmation biopsies. Such biopsies can be invasive, costly, and often lead to false-positive readings.

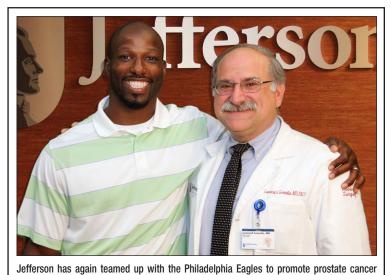
The new technique involves the use of a positron emission tomography (PET) scan and a novel imaging agent.

The study is being led by Mathew Thakur, PhD, Professor of Radiology at Jefferson Medical College of Thomas Jefferson University and the Director of the Laboratories of Radiopharmaceutical Research and Molecular Imaging.

Prostate specific antigen (PSA) measurements, ultrasonography and

magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) remain standard tools for diagnosis and management of prostate cancer; however, each requires an invasive biopsy for histologic confirmation. Biopsies are associated with morbidity and high costs, and more than 65 percent of the 1.5 million biopsies performed each year in the US show benign pathology, indicating a high false-positive rate for these standard diagnostic tools.

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awareness and prevention. Pictured with Leonard Gomella, MD, Jefferson's Chair of Urology, is wide receiver Jason Avant, who will be part of special community events this September.

Doctor of Pharmacy Program Receives Accreditation

"The review process highlighted our focus on collaboration across professions to build education and research partnerships with the other schools on campus," said Michael J. Vergare, MD, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, TJU.

The Doctor of Pharmacy program offered by the Jefferson School of Pharmacy (JSP) of Thomas Jefferson University has been accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education.

JSP opened its doors in 2008 and the first class of students graduated in May. The inaugural graduating class

selected positions in a variety of pharmacy practice settings and almost 50 percent are pursuing postgraduate training. Of the graduates who applied for post-doctorate residencies through the national match program, 74 percent matched, compared with a national success rate of about 60 percent.



VITAL SIGNS: JULY 2012 TJUH, Methodist, Geriatric Psychiatry, Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience

	Budget	Actual	Prior Year
Admissions	4,038	3,879	3,979
Length of Stay	5.21	5.51	5.45
Patient Days	21,027	20,734	21,848
Outpatient Visits	40,252	39,138	37,651
Patient Satisfaction Score (combined average): 87.1			

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Emergency Department Makes Strides in Patient Satisfaction

According to Press Ganey, Jefferson's patient satisfaction numbers for the Center City and Methodist Emergency Departments showed a statistically significant improvement in overall mean score for January-March 2012. Center City improved by 3.4 mean score points and Methodist improved by 3.2 mean score points.

"Congratulations to all for the constant attention, energy and efforts related to our service excellence/patient experience initiatives," said Jennifer Jasmine E. Arfaa, PhD, Director, Service Improvement and Volunteer Services.



New Restaurant-Quality Dining



"Fabulous" is what patients are saying about Jefferson's new "restaurantquality food," which involves the use of a new POD (Plate on Demand) system. After the new menu was piloted on certain Jefferson patient units earlier this year, survey results reported for some of the units revealed a mean score of 99 percent for patients' ratings of overall quality of our food. Plans are underway to bring the menu to other areas of Jefferson - including the Atrium in the Gibbon Building, the Corner Café in the Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience, and the Jefferson Alumni Hall Food Court. Entrée items will soon include choices like Chicken Fricassee with Leeks, Mushrooms and Garlic, and Pan-Seared Salmon with Lemon Oil. Pictured is patient Barbara Levy with Nutrition and Dietetics hostess Diane Parker.



Jefferson neurosurgeons traveled again to New York's Central Park last month to compete with 27 other teams from top medical institutions in the 9th Annual Neurosurgery Charity Softball Tournament. Endorsed by the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) and hosted by Columbia University, the event benefited brain tumor research via the AANS' Neurosurgery Research and Education Foundation

Introducing the Jefferson Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Highlighting the school's education and training mission, Thomas Jefferson University has re-named the Jefferson College of Graduate Studies. The new name is Jefferson Graduate School of Biomedical

The mission of the Jefferson Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (JGSBS) is to provide the highest quality graduate and postdoctoral education and research training in the biomedical sciences, in order to prepare students and fellows to make significant contribu-

tions to the progress of biomedical science through careers in academia, industry and government. The School's MS and PhD degree programs in the biomedical sciences are further complemented by opportunities for advanced study through graduate non-degree coursework and certificate programs, as well as an undergraduate Postbaccalaureate Pre-Professional Program.

Learn more about our school and programs by exploring the JGSBS website: www.jefferson.edu/ biomedical_sciences.



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These limitations, the researchers say, demonstrate a dire need for noninvasive methods that can accurately stage prostate cancer, detect recurrent disease and image metastatic lesions with improved reliability.

Dr. Thakur and colleagues are studying Cu-64 peptide biomolecules and Sung Kim, MD, of the Depart-

to evaluate prostate cancer tumors via PET imaging. These agents detect prostate cancer by finding a biomarker called VPAC1, which is overexpressed as the tumor develops.

Other researchers include Ethan Halpern, MD, Charles Intenzo, MD,

ment of Radiology; Edouard Trabulsi, MD, of the Department of Urology; and Eric Wickstrom, PhD, of the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. The team will partner with NuView, a molecular imaging technology firm, on

Positive Reviews from Patients for Jefferson's HIV Drug May Slow Down Metastatic Breast Cancer, **KCC Researchers Report**

The HIV drugs known as CCR5 antagonists may help prevent aggressive breast cancers from metastasizing, researchers from the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson suggest in a preclinical study published in a recent issue of Cancer Research.

Such drugs target the HIV receptor CCR5, which the virus uses to enter and infect host cells, and has historically only been associated with expression in inflammatory cells in the immune system. Researchers have now shown, however, that CCR5 is also expressed in breast cancer cells, and regulates the spread to other tissue.

What's more, blocking the receptor

with the CCR5 antagonists Maraviroc and Vicriviroc, two drugs that slow down the spread of the HIV virus by targeting the CCR5 co-receptor of the chemokine CCL5, also prevents migration and spread of basal breast cancer cells, the researchers found.

These results are dramatic," said Richard Pestell, MD, PhD, FACP. Director of Jefferson's Kimmel Cancer Center and Chair of the Department of Cancer Biology at Thomas Jefferson University, and the study's senior author. "Our team showed that the CCR5/CCL5 axis plays a key role in invasiveness, and that a CCR5 antagonist can slow down the invasion of basal breast cancer cells."

"This suggests it may prove to be a viable adjuvant therapy to reduce the risk of metastasis in the basal breast cancer subtype," he added.

Basal tumors, which do not express the androgen or estrogen receptors or HER-2, are typically associated with metastasis and often do not respond to hormonal therapies. Current treatments include chemotherapy, radiation, and surgery, but all demonstrate poor outcomes, thus highlighting the urgent need for a specific targeted therapy for the subtype.

Learn more by reading the **news** release on www.jefferson.edu.

Jefferson Elder Care Receives \$150K Grant for Dementia Services Program

Jefferson Elder Care (JEC) has received a Pew Fund Grant for \$150,000 to provide home-based dementia services to families in the Delaware Valley.

'With these funds, we can work with a large number of underserved elders and their caregivers," said Catherine V. Piersol, MS, OTR/L, JEC Clinical Director. "Our goal always has been to help improve the daily lives of both people with dementia and their caregivers, and these funds will assist in bridging the gap between each family's needs and their ability to access services."

Catherine added that almost half of the referrals JEC receives for dementia services are not eligible due to insurance coverage and income level. The Pew funding will allow IEC to serve an additional

140 clients and their caregivers over the next three years.

IEC Dementia Services focus on both the individual with dementia and his or her caregiver. An occupational therapist visits the home and evaluates the individual with dementia and develops a customized, comprehensive occupational therapy plan of care to improve the individual's daily function and safety.

Within the dementia service, caregivers participate in JEC's Skills2Care™ program which helps them manage the daily care of the individual and the behavioral manifestations of dementia. This program helps caregivers reduce stress and increase confidence in handling daily challenges. These benefits combined lead to a reduction in the dementiarelated behaviors that often trigger nursing home placement.

Physicians understand the impact that this program can have on patients, their families, and society at large. Mijail "Misha" Serruya, MD, PhD, of the Department of Neurology at Thomas Jefferson University, refers many of his patients to JEC. He says that having an occupational therapist visit patients' homes "saves society money by keeping them functioning well in the community rather than being hospitalized or institutionalized, [and] it also fulfills our vocational oath to help our patients in whatever way we can."

The JEC Dementia Service Program will be piloted with clients from the Family Caregiver Support Program, part of Senior Community Services in Delaware County. After the first year, IEC will build partnerships with other area agencies on aging in southeastern Pennsylvania.

PEOPLE

Three surgeons at the **Rothman Institute at Jefferson** were recently voted by their peers as three of the top 28 spine surgeons in the country by *Orthopedics This Week*, a popular industry website. **Todd Albert, MD**; **Alexander Vaccaro, MD, PhD**; and **Alan Hilibrand, MD**, received the distinction. The Rothman Institute at Jefferson is the only institution to have three surgeons on the website's list of 28.

Six Jefferson School of Nursing undergraduate students were selected to participate in the Independence Blue Cross (IBC) Nursing Internship Program in the summer, a 10-week program that offers paid temporary positions in a community clinic or a healthcare or insurance administration setting. The students who are participating in the program are: **Christine Black, Carmen Low, Michelle Martin, Marleina Pluguez, Barbara Saba and Stephanie Okeke**.

Robert L. Brent, MD, PhD, DSc, Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children, former Chair of Pediatrics at Jefferson Medical College, presented at "The Fetus as a Patient" meeting in Myconos, Greece, on "The reproductive and developmental effects of caffeine exposure to the pregnant patient: What do you tell your patients concerning the use of caffeine while they are pregnant? Dr. Brent will also present "What are the embryos or fetal risks of radiation or chemotherpay from the treatment of cancer during pregnancy?" at the Eighth Meeting of the International Academy of Perinatal Medicine in Paris, France, on December 5 - 8.

The Albert Schweitzer Fellowship has selected two students from the Jefferson School of Population Health as 2012-13 **Greater Philadelphia Schweitzer Fellows. Samantha Davis** and **Rachel Thomas** aim to improve the health, well-being and self-esteem of 6th- and 7th-grade girls by working with them on topics such as body image, nutrition, life skills and long-term goals.

Joanne Gotto, EdM, Business Manager for Education, Department of Medicine, facilitated five small-group sessions at the Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine Program Administrators Meeting in the spring. She was also on the planning committee for the national meeting and presented a workshop on "Are you Green?" (on the topic of "going green" at home, work and in the community).

Two Jeffersonians, **Gene Gulati, PhD**, Professor of Hematology and Associate Director of Hematology Laboratory in the Department of Pathology and **Joanne Filicko-O'Hara, MD**, Associate Professor of Medical Oncology and Medicine and Director of the Hematology/Medical Oncology Fellowship Training Program, have collaborated with a colleague at Baylor University Medical Center in editing *Case Studies in Hematology and Coagulation*. Hematopathologists, oncologists and pediatricians from Jefferson and various institutions around the country contributed a total of 200 cases to the book.

The Burroughs Wellcome Fund awarded a Career Guidance for Trainees grant valued at nearly \$50K to TJU faculty member **Lisa Kozlowski**, **PhD**.

Ann Phalen, PhD, APRN, NNP-BC, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs, and **Ksenia Zukowsky, PhD, APRN, NNP-BC**, Associate Dean of Graduate Programs, were selected for the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's executive leadership fellowship program.

Jouni Uitto, MD, PhD, Professor and Chair of the Department of Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology has been appointed to Honorary Membership of The Society for Investigative Dermatology. Dr. Uitto served as the President of the Society in 2000 - 2001. He was recently elected to the National Academy of Science and Letters of Finland, his native country.

TJU Lends Expertise to FDA to Help Patients with Diabetes and Stress Hyperglycemia

Brian Hipszer, PhD, and Jeffrey Joseph, DO, of the Department of Anesthesiology, the Jefferson Artificial Pancreas Center and Anesthesiology Program for Translational Research, are helping the Food and Drug Administration develop methods to evaluate continuous glucose monitoring systems (glucose sensors) for FDA approval and clinical use in the hospitalized patient with diabetes and/or stress hyperglycemia. They helped plan and participated in the recent FDA Workshop, "Clinical Study Design & Performance of Hospital Glucose Sensors."

"TJU has become a world leader in the development of glucose sensor and insulin delivery technologies for the management of blood glucose in the hospital and ambulatory patient with diabetes," said Dr. Joseph. The TJU research is an ongoing collaboration between the Departments of Anesthesiology; Surgery; Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics; Radiology; Pathology; and Medicine.

Learn more about Jefferson research and news developments at www.jeffersonhospital.org/news

ACHIEVEMENTS

Jefferson research may lead to a new biomarker used to tailor the treatment of breast cancer. Because of the findings, Jefferson has initiated a prospective clinical trial, evaluating the association of the retinoblastoma tumor suppressor gene (RB) and another marker, PTEN, with the response to neoadjuvant chemotherapy.

Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals recently opened its new Jefferson Hepatitis C Center, one of only a few comprehensive, multidisciplinary centers dedicated to the study of hepatitis C virus and hepatic disease in the tristate area.

Early in 2012, the Japan Center for Health Professions Education and Research at Jefferson was established to foster research collaboration between Thomas Jefferson University, the Japanese Association for the Development of Community Medicine (JADECOM) and the Noguchi Medical Research Institute (NMRI). This two-year pilot project is focused on coordinating the exchange of health personnel for clinical education and research between Jefferson and the other two entities.

Jefferson Medical College's Office of Continuing Medical Education (CME) has achieved a third consecutive accreditation with commendation from the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. Accreditation with Commendation carries with it a six-year accreditation (instead of the standard four-year term), so Jefferson will hold this accreditation until July 2018.

TJU researchers have demonstrated how aging normal cells fuel tumor growth and metastasis, revealing that aging stroma is a new, attractive metabolic or therapeutic target for cancer prevention. A clear byproduct of this research would also be the development of new antiaging drugs to effectively combat, stop or reverse aging, thereby preventing a host of human diseases, particularly cancer.

Jefferson Hospitals' Marketing, JeffGraphics and Web/Interactive Marketing team received a *Gold Medal* from Healthcare Marketing Report and a *Silver Aster Award* from Creative Images for its "I Can" ad campaign for Jefferson's Kimmel Cancer Center.

Jefferson's Department of Gastroenterology, through the expertise of David Loren, MD, now offers a non-surgical new photodynamic therapy procedure for patients who can't have bile duct cancer surgery. The procedure keeps the bile ducts open longer, kills some of the tumor and sometimes shrinks the tumor.

Jefferson Digital Commons reached one million down-loads in July. The **Jefferson Digital Commons** (JDC) is the free digital archive for Jefferson-authored articles Jefferson-sponsored journals, and historical materials from the University Archives and Special Collections.

TJUH has opened its new Jefferson Barrett's Esophagus Treatment Center, one of only a few dedicated Barrett's centers in the country and the first multidisciplinary center solely dedicated to treating Barrett's esophagus disease in Philadelphia. Data show that the frequency of Barrett's esophagus – a condition caused when digestive acid backs up from the stomach into the esophagus, causing damage and the growth of pre-cancerous cells – has risen six-fold since the 1970s (more than breast cancer, prostate cancer or melanoma). The disease is estimated to affect more than 3 million people in the US over age 50 and that number is growing at an alarming rate.

Jefferson will launch a two-year Pre-Medical/Pre-Pharmacy Program this fall and an accelerated one-year pre-medical track in the summer of 2013. A highlight of the program is a linkage agreement with Jefferson Medical College, which gives a select group of students from the program the opportunity to qualify for early-decision acceptance or a guaranteed interview with JMC.

KCC Hosts Tribute for NFL Films President

Jefferson's Kimmel Cancer Center hosted a tribute dinner to honor legendary filmmaker Steve Sabol, President of NFL Films, with the *Spirit of Courage Award* at the Union League of Philadelphia. The award is presented to an individual who has demonstrated great personal courage, strength and dignity while battling cancer and supporting others in their fight against cancer.

Since being diagnosed with **brain cancer** in March of 2011, Steve, who is currently being treated at the Kimmel Cancer Center, has helped people understand the impact of this disease, all while acting as a role model of perseverance.

"It's an honor to be recognized by the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson with this award, and more importantly, to be part of a memorable event recognizing the importance of advancing clinical care and cancer research," said Steve. "Because of Jefferson and my treatment by Dr. Kevin Judy of the Jefferson Hospital for Neuroscience, I've been able to move forward through this battle. I thank everyone at the KCC for that and for the support of everyone who attended the event."

Jefferson Nurses Going Global to Help Those in Need



Two Jefferson nurses, Dana Perfetti, RN, BSN, of the Methodist Campus Emergency Department, and Gina Urban, RN, of Jefferson Medical Telemetry, traveled to Honduras earlier this year to serve people in need at a clinic that provided medical consultations and medications. They are seeking fellow staff members to join them in forming a Jefferson chapter of Global Medical Brigades. Please email perfettid1@gmail.com or gina.urban@jefferson.edu for more information.

Recognition Wall Honors 100+ Years of the Women's Board



Photo: Medical Media

In June, an exhibit was unveiled in the Gibbon Building as a tribute to the history of and continuing work of Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals' Women's Board, which has raised millions of dollars for patient programs. The recognition wall in the 10th Street lobby presents historic texts, images and artifacts from Scott Memorial Library's archival collections. Among items featured are an 1897 booklet for fundraising for Jefferson's first maternity hospital and a 1940s woolen nurse's cape. TV monitors highlight the Board's history as well as current and upcoming events. Staff, visitors and patients are invited to visit the Recognition Wall, which is open for viewing at all times. Pictured with the current president of the Women's Board, Terry Yeo, PhD, CRNP (second from left), are past presidents: Dorrance Hamilton, Carolyn Murray, Sharyn Vergare, Miriam Schwartz and Carol Levin.

JEFFCALENDAR



FORUMS

Wednesday, September 12

• Jefferson School of Population Health, Kathryn H. Bowles, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor and Ralston House Endowed Term Chair in Gerontological Nursing, Associate Director, New Courtland Center for Transitions and Health, University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, Beatrice Renfield Visiting Scholar, Visiting Nurse Service of New York, "Implementing Decision Support Tools to Enhance Care for Older Adults." Also, Oct. 10: Mohammadreza Hojat, PhD, Vittorio Maio, PharmD, MS, MSPH and Daniel Louis, MS, TJU, "Empathy in Patient Care-Myth or Reality? What is it? How can we measure it? Does it influence patient outcomes?" 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., 101 BLSB. For more information, call 215-955-1709.

PRESENTATIONS

Tuesday, September 11

• Jefferson Postdoc Association, Michael Vagell, PhD, from Sartorius will speak about Proteomic Filter Aided Sample Preparation with the Vivacon 500, 1 to 2 p.m., 207 JAH.

LECTURES

Thursday, September 20

• Department of Surgery, The Inaugural Philip E. Donahue, MD Lectureship in Benign Gastrointestinal Diseases, William H. Nealon. MD (JMC '79), Vice-Chairman, Department of Surgery, Chief of the Division of General Surgery, Vanderbilt University, "Evolution of a Concept: Creating a Framework for Managing the Complications of Pancreatitis," 7 a.m., Brent Auditorium, IAH. For more information, call 215-955-9402.

Thursday, October 4

 Department of Dermatology and Cutaneous Biology, JMC, 10th Annual Young C. Kauh, MD, Clinical Lectureship - Lectureship recipient: George Cotsarelis, MD, Milton B. Hartzell Professor and Chairman, University of Pennsylvania, Department of Dermatology, "Androgenetic Alopecia: A New Understanding From Stem Cell Research," 4 p.m., Mandeville Conference Room, 101 BLSB

SYMPOSIUM

Friday, September 28

 Office of Continuing Medical Education -1st Annual Diabetes Symposium, "New Advances & Innovations." The agenda developed by the course directors, Serge Jabbour, MD, FACP, FACE and Jeffrey L.

Miller, MD, will include in-depth presentations on a myriad of hot topics, including glycemic goals, consensus treatment algorithms, diabetes education, inpatient diabetes management, insulin pumps and continuous glucose sensors, and diabetes landscape in the next decade. In addition to the keynote lectures, the agenda also includes four panel discussions where expert faculty will provide guidance to participants in applying the new knowledge and clinical guidelines into their practices. The combined format of live debate and didactic presentations will allow the audience to observe and question the experts as they discuss real patient cases. In addition, the use of an Audience Response System in some panels will further engage the participants and allow them to assess their knowledge and skill levels with their peers. Time: Registration, 7 a.m.; 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Location; Hamilton Building - Connelly Aud. For more information please visit: http://jeffline. jefferson.edu/jeffcme/Medicine/

Saturday, October 27

• Department of Surgery, 7th Annual Pancreatic Cancer and Related Diseases Patient Symposium, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Hamilton Building. Hosted by the Jefferson Pancreatic, Biliary and Related Cancer Center. Registration is required. For more information go to www.jeffersonhospital.org/pancreas. To register, please contact Sharon D'Hurieux by October 12 at 215-955-8387.

Thursday, September 13

• Medicine, Morbidity & Mortality Conference, noon to 1 p.m., DePalma.

Friday, September 14

• Melanie Elliott, PhD, Sept. 28: Joseph H. Piatt, MD, "The Chiari Malformation and Syringomyelia," 7 a.m., DePalma Aud.

Friday, September 21

• Medicine, Gordon Rubenfeld, MD, "2nd Annual Distinguished Post Graduate Lecture," 8 a.m., Solis-Cohen Aud., JAH

Thursday, October 4

 Medicine, Morbidity & Mortality Conference. Also, Oct. 11: Shey-Shing Sheu, MD, Interim Director, Center for Translational Medicine, Professor of Medicine, TIUH, Oct. 18: Morbidity & Mortality Conference, Oct. 25: 8th Annual Dr. Michael Simenhoff Lecture - Thomas J. Nasca, MD, MACP, Chief Executive Officer, ACGME, noon to 1 p.m., DePalma.

Friday, October 5

 Neurosurgery, Joseph Tracy, MD, "Functional Connectivity Changes in Epilepsy," Oct. 12: Carol Shields, MD, "Chemotherapy for Retinoblastoma: What Have We Learned and Where Are We Going?" Oct. 26: Wenmin Shi, MD, PhD, 7 a.m., DePalma Aud.

MEETINGS

Monday, September 10

• TJUH Executive Committee of the Medical Staff, 5 p.m., 636 Scott. Also, Mon., Oct. 12, 2012.

Thursday, September 27

 Medicine, Staff Meeting, Gregory C. Kane, MD, Interim Chairman, Department of Medicine, noon to 1 p.m., DePalma.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Wednesday, September 12
 WXPN Musicians On Call plays for Jefferson patients. Also on Weds., 19 and 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31.
- Nursing, Parent Education, Maternity Hospital Tour, 6 p.m. (promptly), lobby, Pavilion (Tour: 2nd and 4th Wed. of every month). Also, Weds., Sept. 26; Oct. 10 and 24. For more information, call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

Wednesday, September 19

• TJUH Women's Board-Maternity Committee, "Electronics and Fragrance Show" for all Hospital & University employees, students, visitors, family and friends. Also, Thursday, Sept. 20, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Atrium Cafeteria (11th St. side). All are welcome to purchase items. Up to 5 payroll deductions available for TJUH/TJU Employees. Cash and all major credit cards also accepted. Event proceeds to benefit and support Jefferson patients

Wednesday, September 26

• Schwartz Center Rounds, noon to 1 p.m., Room 101, Bluemle Life Sciences Building. (Subsequent sessions on the fourth Wednesday of each month.) Also, Oct. 24, (101 BLSB)

Monday, September 10

• Nursing Parent Education, "Basics of Breastfeeding" classes meet twice a month, 6 to 8 p.m., 833 Chestnut, Suite 920, Call Parent Education at 215-955-6713 for more information. Free class. No RSVP needed. Also, 9/19 (Wed.); 10/10 (Wed.), 10/23 (Tues.).

Tuesday, September 11

• Nursing, Parent Education, Breastfeeding and Pumping Mothers group (meets every Tuesday of the month) including July and August), noon to 1 p.m., 833 Chestnut St., 3rd fl., Family Medicine Conference Room. All breastfeeding moms and babies, patients and employees are invited. Walk-ins and brown bags are welcome! Call Parent Education at 215-955-6713 for more information. (Also, 9/18, 9/25.)

Wednesday, September 12

• Nursing, Parent Education, "Pediatrician's Night" - Babies are not just little people... learn practical tips from one of Jefferson's doctors on preparing and caring for your little one! Register for this FREE program at 1-800-JEFF-NOW. Time: 7 to 9 p.m. Location: 833 Chestnut, Suite 920.

Thursday, September 27

• Nursing, Parent Education, "Getting Ready for Babies," class. Everything you wanted to know about your newborn. Time: 7 to 9:30 p.m. Location: 1840 Gibbon. RSVP Needed. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

Saturday, September 29

• Nursing, Parent Education, "Siblings Class," young children are welcome to be part of the Big Sister/Big Brother class. Siblings to be (ages 3 to 7) participate in activities that help them learn about new babies and how to be a big sister or big brother. A tour of the

maternity facilities is included. Time: 10 a.m. to noon, 1840 Gibbon. Also, 6/30. RSVP is necessary! Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

Tuesday, October 2

- Nursing, Parent Education, "Infant and Child CPR for Family and Friends." Time: 6 to 9 p.m., 833 Chestnut, Suite 920. Registration is necessary. Fee \$35 /couples, \$60. Call 1-800-JEFF-NOW to reserve your spot
- Nursing, Parent Education, "Childbirth 3-night series," 10/2-10/16 (Tues.), and 10/4-10/18 (Thurs.) (Fee-based program); Saturday 2- morning series: 10/6 and 10/13, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The fee for these programs is \$95. Maternity tour is included. RSVP to 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

Wednesday, October 3

 Nursing, Parent Education, "Grandparents Night." (Grand parenting and what's new in the world of babies.) Time: 7 to 9 p.m., 1840 Gibbon. Free program. RSVP to 1-800-IEFF-NOW, Also, Dec. 10.

Sunday, October 7

 Nursing, Parent Education, "One Day Childbirth Class," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fee: \$140. RSVP to 1-800-JEFF-NOW.

SUPPORT/EDUCATION

Thursday, October 4

- Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson, Bone Marrow Transplant Survivors, a group designed for individuals who have completed a bone marrow transplant. Facilitated by an oncology social worker this monthly meeting (1st Thursday of every month-including July & August) offers a wonderful opportunity to exchange information, validation and support with other people who have been through the same procedure, noon to 1:30 p.m., 602 BLSB. Lunch will be provided. (Subsidized parking is available at Interpark Garage, 10th and Chestnut Sts. - Enter on 10th or Sansom.) For more information or to RSVP contact Bonnie Crouthamel, LSW at 215-503-7711.
- Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson. Radiation Therapy Information Session, 10 to 11 a.m., G312 Bodine. Also, every Thursday in October 2012.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Jefferson Hospitals offers a wide range of support programs and counseling for patients and their families. Visit our website to learn more:

Cancer

www.jeffersonhospital.org/ cancersupport

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