Pediatric News
An electronic newsletter from the Department of Pediatrics

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Welcome!

Welcome to our new electronic newsletter. This newsletter is a way for the Department of Pediatrics to communicate what our faculty and staff have been doing to meet our mission in the areas of education, research and patient care.

I would particularly like to call attention to the 10th Annual Pediatric Research Forum, which was held at the Specialty Pediatrics Center on May 17th and 18th. Over 40 different research posters were on display, 22 of which had been presented at regional or national meetings. The research included educational research, quality improvement projects, unique case presentations, and basic science research. Many of these projects also included residents and medical students. As part of the forum, Geetanjali Rathore, M.D., presented "Sports related concussion - It is a big deal" at Pediatric Grand Rounds. Her talk addressed how sports-related concussions are identified and what symptoms to consider. This topic is of particular interest to Dr. Rathore, who will be starting her pediatric neurology fellowship at Baylor University in Houston, Texas, this July.

We plan to produce a newsletter each month. Dr. Gary Beck and Lisa Madsen have agreed to spearhead publication of the newsletter. Please feel free to contact either of them if you have some news item you would like included in this newsletter.

2012 Graduating Residents and Fellows

On May 18th, the banquet for graduating residents and fellows was held. They will be moving all over the world.

- **Melissa Acquazzino**: Pediatric co-chief resident for 2012/2013
- **Catherine (Caudill) Brooks**: Neonatology fellowship, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

Upcoming Events

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• **Jamie Dulle**: hospitalist at Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, MO
• **Marisa Fisher**: Pediatric Endocrinology fellowship, University of Indiana, Indianapolis, IN
• **Nathan Gollehon**: Neonatology fellowship, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
• **Jason Hymas**: general pediatrics, Seasons Pediatrics Group, Rexburg, ID
• **Melissa Johnson**: general pediatrics, Omaha
• **Melissa Law**: Pediatric co-chief resident for 2012/2013
• **Tabitha Nenninger**: medicine and pediatrics, HealthWest Clinic Primary Care Group at Methodist Physicians, Omaha
• **Sachit Patel**: Pediatric Hematology/Oncology fellowship, Duke University, Durham, NC
• **Allison Ramey**: Internal Medicine Chief Resident for 2012/2013.
• **Geetanjali Rathore**: Pediatric Neurology fellowship, Baylor University, Houston, TX
• **Sara Reinke**: general pediatrics, MedCenter One, Bismarck, ND
• **Erica Schindel**: pediatric emergency medicine, Care Point P.C for the Rocky Mountain Children's Group, Denver, CO
• **Alvin Singh**: Pediatric Pulmonology fellowship, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
• **Shilpa Singh**: hospitalist, St. Anthony's Hospital, Chicago, IL
• **Enrilyn (Lyn) Thronson**: general pediatrics, Kadena Air Force Base, Okinawa, Japan
• **Wendy Vetter**: internal medicine and pediatrics, Sanford Health, Sioux Falls, SD
• **Cody Wilson**: general pediatrics, Sanford Children's Clinic, Klamath Falls, OR

**Fellows**

• **Andrea Green**: Adult Infectious Disease Fellowship, University of Nebraska Medical Center
• **Michelle Hoffman**: Children's Hospital Southwest Florida Pediatric Infectious Disease Group, Fort Myers, FL
• **Pablo Palomo**: Pediatric Gastroenterology Division, University of Nebraska Medical Center and Children's Hospital and Medical Center
• **Eric Rush**: Division of Genetics, Department of Pediatrics, University of Nebraska Medical Center
• **Lois Starr**: Division of Genetics, Department of Pediatrics, University of Nebraska Medical Center

**Awards**

Over the past few months, several faculty, residents and staff have been recognized. We wanted to make sure the department is aware of these accomplishments.

• **Gary Beck, Ph.D.** - Council on Medical Student Education in Pediatrics Award for Excellence in Clerkship Administration, presented in Indianapolis, IN on March 23, 2012.
• **Gary Beck, Ph.D.** - Chancellor's Gold "U" Award, April 13, 2012.
• **Cindy Colpitts** - The Carol D. Berkowitz MD Award of the Association of Pediatric Program Directors, presented in San
Antonio, TX on March 29, 2012

The following received awards at the Pediatric Residency Banquet on May 18, 2012:

- **Melissa Acquazzino, M.D.** - 2012 Deborah Munson Barger Award
- **Phil Boucher, M.D.** - 2012 Children’s Hospital Resident Service Excellence Award
- **Paige Groppe, M.D.** - 2012 Volunteer Faculty Clerkship Teaching Award
- **Brett Kettelhut, M.D.** - 2012 Volunteer Faculty Clerkship Teaching Award
- **JD Law, M.D.** - 2012 House Officer Clerkship Teaching Award
- **Erin Loucks, M.D.** - 2012 Gilbert C. Schreiner MD Outstanding Community Faculty Teaching Award
- **Stefanie Lowas, M.D.** - 2012 Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award
- **Geetanjali Rathore, M.D.** - 2012 George Miyazaki Research Award
- **Adam Reinhardt, M.D.** - 2012 Faculty Clerkship Teaching Award
- **Adam Reinhardt, M.D.** - Hobart E. Wiltse, M.D., Ph.D. Excellence in Medical Education Award

Congratulations to **James Harper, M.D.** for receiving a grant from the Heartland Genetics and Newborn Screening Collaborative for a project entitled "Counseling families of newborns with hemoglobinopathy traits by primary care physicians in Nebraska".

**Welcome New Faculty**

We have been actively recruiting new faculty. We want you to be aware of all of the new faces you may see.

- **Cardiology**
  Robert Spicer, M.D., Division Chief
  Jenn Cameron, M.D. (begins in August)
- **Education**
  Gary Beck, Ph.D.
- **Gastroenterology**
  Pablo Palomo, M.D.
  Anna Trauernicht, M.D.
- **Infectious Diseases**
  Dele Davies, M.D., Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs
  Steve Obaro, M.D.
- **Neonatology**
  Nicole Birge, M.D.
  Zahi Zeidan, M.D. (begins August 1st)
- **Nephrology**
  Teri Mauch, M.D., Division Chief
- **Pulmonology**
  Casey Burg, M.D.

**Small Grant Applications for Junior Faculty**

Grant applications for the Cheryl Ann Lozier Memorial Research Fund
are due August 17, 2012. Applications will be accepted from eligible faculty who are at the Instructor or Assistant Professor level. Questions about this grant may be directed to Dr. William Rizzo at wrizzo@unmc.edu.