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Top News

LCME site visit concludes today

IU School of Medicine’s reaccreditation site visit by the survey team representing the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) ended this afternoon. During the five-day visit, the LCME surveyors conducted several sessions and tours on the Indianapolis campus and also traveled on Wednesday to three regional campuses--Fort Wayne, Muncie and West Lafayette.

Following the LCME's standardized process, it will be later this year when IU School of Medicine receives a determination from the LCME regarding the school's reaccreditation status. Until the school hears from the LCME, the significant progress made in the school's Continuous Quality Improvement efforts will advance, with feedback from students continuing to guide this work.

IU School of Medicine Dean Jay Hess will provide additional information about the site visit in an email message to the school community tomorrow afternoon.

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Five named to Exemplar of Professionalism Honor Roll

Five individuals representing four IU School of Medicine campuses have been named to the Exemplar of Professionalism Honor Roll, a new distinction. Those receiving this inaugural recognition are:

David Boone, PhD

Associate Professor of Microbiology and Immunology
IU School of Medicine-South Bend

James Forney, PhD

Adjunct Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
IU School of Medicine-West Lafayette

John Keller, BA

Medical Student Services Coordinator
Medical Student Education
IU School of Medicine-Indianapolis

Robert Sweazey, PhD

Assistant Director
Associate Professor of Anatomy and Cell Biology
IU School of Medicine-Fort Wayne

Tracy Vargo-Gogola, PhD

Senior Lecturer in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
IU School of Medicine-South Bend

Learn more about the award winners at the [Exemplar of Professionalism webpage](#). To submit a nomination for the award, view the [Nomination Form: Exemplar Role Model of the Honor Code](#).

Nominations are reviewed by a variety of school leaders, which may include representatives of the Office of Medical Student Education, Office of Graduate Medical Education, Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development, and Human Resources.

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EHR platform developed by IU School of Medicine and

Regenstrief Institute to train med students

The Regenstrief Institute and the American Medical Association (AMA) are partnering to help medical students gain comprehensive training using electronic health records (EHR).

Developed by IU School of Medicine and the Regenstrief Institute, the Regenstrief EHR Clinical Learning Platform will be disseminated by the AMA and Regenstrief to medical schools around the country. The platform aims to ensure students have the tools to navigate modern health care systems upon graduation from medical school.

Using real patient data, the first-of-its kind platform allows medical students to virtually care for patients with complex health conditions by navigating records, documenting encounters and placing orders within an application that is similar to the EHRs commonly used in practice. It also provides an immersive way for educators to teach students how EHRs can be used to address important issues pertaining to population health, quality improvement and patient safety.

Read the full article on the [Regenstrief Institute website](#).

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22nd annual Spring House Calls a success

Spring House Calls, IU School of Medicine's longest running service project, celebrated its 22ND year last Saturday as medical students brightened up Indianapolis east and west side communities through a day of gardening. Students assisted persons with disabilities and elderly homeowners with planting flowers, spreading mulch and landscaping.

For some homeowners, the yard maintenance done through Spring House Calls is the only maintenance they receive all year.

"This event is a great opportunity to get involved in my community," said Amber Lee, a second-year IU School of Medicine-Indianapolis student. "It's a reminder that not everyone has the same things we do."

Student volunteers also had the opportunity to interact with residents during the beautification event. "Much of medicine is about the relationships you build with people," explained second-year student Sydney Harmon. "It's not just about helping people with sickness. It goes beyond that."

To request more information about the annual event or learn more about Spring House Calls, email springhc@iupui.edu.

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Faculty and Staff News

Department of Emergency Medicine faculty earn volunteer teaching awards

The IU School of Medicine Department of Emergency Medicine recognized volunteer faculty on April 26 at the 45th annual Indiana American College of Emergency Physicians conference in Indianapolis.

The department created the Volunteer Faculty Teaching award to recognize the outstanding education efforts of faculty members during the emergency medicine clerkship. These awards allow the department to honor and celebrate the valuable efforts of faculty educators who embody the spirit of teaching and commitment to learning. Recipients include:

Robert (Rob) Cantor, MD

Assistant Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Indianapolis

Anthony (Tony) Collins, DO

Volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Fort Wayne

Anar Desai, MD

Volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Northwest-Gary

Peter Kamhout, MD

Volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Terre Haute

George Kim, MD

Volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-South Bend

Gladys Lopez, MD

Volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Evansville

Ryan Wallace, MD

Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Muncie

Christine (Chris) Waller, DO

Volunteer Clinical Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-West Lafayette

Andrew (Drew) Watters, MD

Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine
IU School of Medicine-Bloomington

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New LGBTQ workshop now available

The IU School of Medicine Office of Diversity Affairs is now offering a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) training workshop for departments and residency programs. This workshop provides practical information for health care providers about working with LGBTQ patients. Topics include terminology and definitions, culturally sensitive interviewing skills, best practice methods for collecting gender identity and sexual orientation data and for obtaining necessary health information, and other unique health care considerations when working with this population.

This 90-minute workshop is part of a series of cultural competence education sessions created and sponsored by the Office of Diversity Affairs. This workshop provides an opportunity for participants to learn in a collegial environment. To schedule a workshop, contact the Office of Diversity Affairs at 317- 274-1939 or IUSMdiv@iupui.edu.

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Personal resiliency workshop begins June 5

Personal Resiliency Training, available this summer to full-time IU School of Medicine faculty and staff, is an experiential workshop highlighting evidence-based strategies to improve psychological health, vitality and effectiveness at home and at work.

The four-part series will focus on promoting self-awareness, identifying and pursuing valued goals and actions, and enhancing mindfulness and compassion for self and others. The workshop will take place on the following Mondays on the IUPUI campus:

June 5: 9 am-noon

June 12: 9-11:30 am

June 26: 9-11 am

July 24: 9-11 am

For more information, bios of workshop facilitators and registration details, visit healthyiu.edu.

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Vitality Survey deadline is Friday

Tomorrow, April 28, is the deadline to complete the Faculty Vitality Survey. Sent to all full- and part-time IU School of Medicine faculty, including affiliates, the survey measures the synergy between satisfaction, productivity and engagement to increase understanding of the faculty experience, with a goal of making improvements.

The survey has been conducted at IU School of Medicine every other year since 2006. Results of the Vitality Survey provide rich data for making changes and improvements. Examples of changes at IU School of Medicine based on the survey's findings include lengthening the tenure probationary period from seven to nine years and the approval of a paid maternity leave policy in the multi-specialty practice plan.

To learn more, visit the [survey website](#).

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Student News

Four students receive IUPUI Elite 50 honors

Michael Johnston was awarded the Best in School award for IU School of Medicine at the Elite 50 dinner earlier this month. Three other students--Brent Bagley, Baidu Bayon and Anjali Prakash--were also named to the prestigious list.

Now in its third year, the Elite 50 is similar to IUPUI's Top 100 list for undergraduates. The graduate list was created by IUPUI Graduate and Professional Student Government to recognize outstanding graduate and professional students for their contributions to the campus and community outside of the classroom. Award recipients represent the top one-half of 1 percent of the graduate and professional student body at IUPUI.

Johnston also received Premier 10 honors, recognizing applicants with the 10 highest scores achieved during the selection process. The full list of Elite 50 recipients is available at studentaffairs.iupui.edu.

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Register for senior banquet by Friday

Graduating IU School of Medicine students should register their attendance for the Friday, May 12, senior banquet by Friday, April 28. The Senior Banquet and Awards Ceremony for the class of 2017 will be held in the Grand Ballroom at the JW Marriott-Indianapolis. Students, family, friends, faculty and staff are invited to celebrate their achievements. A cocktail hour begins at 6 pm, followed by a three-course dinner and awards program at 7 pm.

Class of 2017 members are invited to attend as a guest of the class at no charge, but must RSVP. Additional tickets are available for \$50 each. Payment and reservations must be received no later than Friday, April 28, at [this link](#).

For more information, [visit the event page](#) on the Medical Student Education website.

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Considering a campus transfer? Policy provides details

If you're looking for information about when a campus transfer is permitted, the [Campus Transfer Policy](#) is now available online in the IU School of Medicine [student](#)

handbook. The handbook, which includes a wide variety of updated policies, is housed on the IU School of Medicine website.

Feedback from learners and faculty played a key role in encouraging the Curriculum Council Steering Committee (CCSC) to consider policy updates. As policies are approved, they are tagged and indexed in preparation for housing on MedNet. Ultimately, all policies will be available within a single verified official portal on MedNet, which will be linked from the student handbook and other online locations.

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Opportunities

Greater Plains Collaborative launches new pilot program

The Greater Plains Collaborative (GPC) is a network of twelve leading medical centers in eight states committed to a shared vision of improving health care delivery through ongoing learning, adoption of evidence-based practices and active research dissemination. With support from the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI), the GPC network seeks to broaden awareness and utilization by investigators at its partner institutions to capitalize on heightened patient engagement and unique data resources.

The purpose of the pilot program is to provide modest support that will allow investigators to develop sufficient preliminary data utilizing the GPC's data infrastructure as a basis for a larger application for independent research support for the investigator and the network.

To learn more, visit indianactsi.org. In addition, informational webinars for potential applicants will be held:

Wednesday, May 3; 3 pm CDT

Wednesday, May 10; 9 am CDT

Letters of intent are due Wednesday, May 31, and the application deadline is Friday, July 21. Due to GPC's affiliation with Indiana CTSI, the program is open only to investigators from Indiana University, Purdue University and the University of Notre Dame. This program is also not intended to support or supplement the ongoing research project of an established investigator.

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Indiana CTSI to offer free training for new data analysis software

The Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute has negotiated a new license from QIAGEN for **Ingenuity Pathway Analysis (IPA) software**, a powerful analysis and search tool that uncovers the significance of omics data and identifies new targets or

candidate biomarkers within the context of biological systems. Any IU, Purdue or Notre Dame investigator can purchase a sublicense for the software. The new license will begin July 1, 2017.

Those interested can attend a free IPA training May 2 on the IUPUI campus. This is an opportunity to see if IPA can help you in your research and to learn more about how to use it. (You do not need to have a license to attend the training.) A basic training session will be given from 9 am-noon, and 20-minute sessions will be available from 1-4 pm for advanced training or questions from current software users.

Space is limited, so please register by contacting Jeanette McClintick at jnmcclin@iu.edu. Location and instructions for installing the software will be sent after registration.

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Check out the Medical Library's May classes

Introduction to Medical Library Resources

Wednesday, May 10

1-2 pm, Medical Research and Library (IB), Room 225

The one-hour course introduces researchers to a wide variety of available electronic resources and provides a starting point for faculty, staff, students and residents who are looking to access background medical information, professional medical literature, prep CVs and much more.

For a comprehensive overview of research resources offered at the library, please consult our [Medical Library Research Guide](#).

EndNote Basics

Thursday, May 11

1-2:30 pm, Medical Research and Library (IB), Room 227

EndNote is a citation management software program that allows users to import citations from several literature databases into one spot. Users can then edit citations, add notes, import full text documents, and ultimately use the program to format citations for articles, papers and grant proposals.

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Apply for internal grants by Monday

Investigators interested in applying for biomedical research grants and research enhancement grants through IU School of Medicine's internal grants program must submit proposals by 5 pm, Monday, May 1. [Application forms](#) and additional information are available.

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Final days to apply for Hester scholarship

The deadline to apply for the Marilyn Hester Scholarship is Monday, May 1. Sponsored by the IU Simon Cancer Center, this scholarship was created to assist medical and/or doctoral students pursuing degrees in biomedical sciences who have demonstrated an interest in and potential for conducting pediatric hematology or pediatric oncology research. [Submission guidelines and application](#) are available.

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May 21 golf outing to support IU-Kenya Partnership in Surgery

Register today for the second annual IU-Kenya Partnership in Surgery Golf Scramble on Sunday, May 21, at Golf Club of Indiana, 6905 S. 525 E, in Lebanon, Indiana.

For more than 20 years, IU School of Medicine has partnered with Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret, Kenya, serving as the anchor medical school in a consortium of schools across North America. All proceeds from golf scramble participation and sponsorships allow the IU School of Medicine Department of Surgery to increase its presence at Moi, as well as expand the available resources for medical students and faculty.

For more information, to register or make a donation, [the event webpage](#).

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Kudos

CME wins meeting planner association's Pinnacle Award

The IU School of Medicine Division of Continuing Medical Education recently won a Pinnacle Award from the Indiana Chapter of Meeting Planner's International for its planning and coordination of the 2016 CME Tri-State Provider Conference. The planning work was recognized in the Best Association Event under \$75,000 category. More than 45 institutions ranging from large providers such as the Cleveland Clinic to small regional hospitals participated in the event.

"I truly loved being part of the planning team and assisting in preparation and execution of my first conference for CME providers around the Midwest," said Griseldis Ortega, who, along with IU School of Medicine CME Director Kurt Snyder, planned the event. "It was great meeting many other of my CME peers and hearing about their successes and challenges within the CME world."

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Partner News

IU School of Medicine faculty, IU Health Physicians work to improve trauma care

Intensive research efforts are underway by the IU School of Medicine Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and IU Health Physicians to better tailor treatment to a patient's unique needs when treating trauma injuries.

"We're trying to get information as soon as possible on a patient's injury course," says Todd McKinley, MD, orthopaedic surgeon and professor of orthopaedics, anatomy and cell biology. "We're tracking how badly they're hurt, how their body and its systems are responding, the next best step to take and the best window of time to take it."

Dr. McKinley, the principal investigator, says one of the key components to this research is the use of precision medicine.

"Precision medicine is more interrogating the individual and seeing how the individual responds to disease," he explains. In the world of trauma, this means developing ways to use information from standard imaging and understanding patient profile responses based on measurements such as blood pressure and pH levels, and how that information might predict short- and- long-term results for patients who sustain traumatic injuries. "We're trying to generate information within 60 to 90 minutes that tells the team not only that day, but over several days, the best way to treat their patient to optimize outcome."

Dr. McKinley's team received a grant for more than \$2 million from the U.S. Department of Defense for this study. IU School of Medicine is currently collaborating with the University of Pittsburgh, Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore, University of Texas-Houston and the Carolinas Medical Center to study precision trauma approaches to treat severely injured patients.

"What we're working toward is preventing prolonged injuries that can plague people forever by treating them in the best way possible," said Dr. McKinley. "More importantly, we are generating further understanding as to why some patients respond the way they do and then coming up with new treatments that prevent those untoward responses."

Other key IU School of Medicine researchers include Stephanie Savage, MD, MS, Department of Surgery; Ben Zarzaur, MD, MPH, Department of Surgery; Greg Gaski, MD, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery; and Krista Brown, MS, CCRS, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. Others instrumental in the success of this study include the advanced practice provider team and the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nursing staff at IU Health Methodist Hospital.

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Overley named CEO of Eskenazi Health Midtown Community Mental Health

Ashley Overley, MD, IU School of Medicine assistant professor of clinical psychiatry, has been named chief executive officer of Eskenazi Health Midtown Community Mental Health and vice president of mental health operations. Previously, she served as Eskenazi Health Midtown’s chief medical officer for quality.

Dr. Overley is a graduate of IU School of Medicine, completing her residency through the school’s program and spending much of her time with Eskenazi Health Midtown. She also completed a fellowship in public psychiatry at Columbia University and a graduate certificate in Innovation and Implementation Science at Indiana University. She is a diplomat of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology.

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