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IUSM seeks basic clinical skills competency director

IUSM seeks a faculty member interested in teaching, assessing and developing students' competence in the area of basic clinical skills. Basic clinical skills include, but are not limited to, performance of medical histories, physical exams, basic medical procedures and interpretation of lab test results.

Butch Humbert, MD, the current basic clinical skills competency director, has accepted responsibility for directing the problem solving competency, so an interested faculty member is sought to fill this vacancy.

The director will work closely with course, clerkship and competency directors, faculty from all IUSM Centers for Medical Education, students, and the Dean's Office for Medical Education and Curricular Affairs.

This position includes chairing the Competency 2 – Basic Clinical Skills Competency Team; reviewing and assigning competency grades; improving and assessing the basic clinical skills portion of the competency curriculum; managing the Clinical Encounters Real Time Tracking System (CERTTS) program and reviewing competency-related course management materials in the Database of Competency Curriculum (DoCC) for use by faculty and students. The competency director also works with IUSM educators in developing and implementing a new integrated competency-based curriculum for all four years of medical school.

Candidates must have interest and experience in medical education and/or methods of adult education and have a written commitment from their department chair to protect a minimum of 20 percent FTE for this educational administrative role. The IUSM Dean's Office will provide \$20,000 to the competency director's department/unit annually to help pay for his/her time.

Interested individuals should submit a letter of interest, a CV and a letter of support from their department chairman that specifically addresses the candidate's protected time for the position to the Dean's Office for Medical Education and Curricular Affairs, EF 200, (317) 274-4556, or meca@iupui.edu.

Applications should be received no later than **Friday, March 26**. Emailed applications are encouraged. Additional information about the competency curriculum can be found at meca.iusm.iu.edu.

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One Book, One School

IUSM's Creative Art Therapy group presents the One Book, One School program with the inaugural book: *A Long Way Down* by Nick Hornby [333 pages, paperback \$14].

The book has been selected to be read by all interested IUSM students, faculty and staff. If you are interested in participating in the program, all you need to do is purchase the book from your favorite bookstore and read at your own pace. There will be a debrief session so all the readers can gather and discuss the book in early April. This gives everyone more than a month to complete the book.

It is hoped this will provide a wonderful opportunity to meet other people at IUSM and take a short break from medicine. The more people involved in the program, the more cohesive our campus can become. By reading the book, everyone will have a topic to discuss with other readers at IUSM.

The Creative Art Therapy groups invites all to participant in the inaugural "One Book, One School" event. It is hoped this will become an annual event for everyone at IUSM to enjoy.

Stay tuned for more information regarding the debrief session in early April.

Synopsis:

One New Year's Eve, four people with very different reasons but a common purpose, find their way to the top of a 15-story building in London. None of them has calculated that, on a date humans favor for acts of significance, in a place known as a local suicide-jumpers' favorite, they might encounter company. *A Long Way Down* is the story of what happens next, and of what doesn't. At its heart, it isn't really about suicide itself – it's more about what happens when you don't kill yourself, and the tale Hornby subsequently tells is an unusual and unpredictable one. He resists melodramatic resolutions or glorious moments of redemption, and he doesn't smuggle away or refute all the reasons his characters took with them to the rooftop where they met, the ones that urged them toward the edge rather than down to the ground and the slow way, back into the world.

If you have any questions or would like help setting up a debrief session at your center, feel free to email us

[Jonathon Warus](#)

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[Suzie Field](#)

[Kat Williamson](#)

[Jean Martin](#)

[Mink Wungwattana](#)

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American Medical Women's Association mentoring mixer

Join the Women Faculty/Student Group at Creation Café on Tuesday, March 23, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for networking in a fun, relaxed environment. The mixer provides an opportunity for students to ask questions about medical school and about being a physician and gives faculty the opportunity to chat with students and colleagues.

Appetizers and soft drinks provided; cash bar available. This event is sponsored by the American Medical Women's Association Student Chapter, the IUSM Women's Advisory Council, and Office for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

Register at faculty.medicine.iu.edu/events.asp.

Questions: maquarle@iupui.edu

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Curricular Change Brown Bag Series

IUSM faculty, staff and students are invited to discuss their goals and visions for the IUSM curriculum at a series of brown bag meetings. These will be open dialogues providing an opportunity for the IUSM community to gather and discuss possible curricular reform.

Basic science and clinical teaching faculty are strongly encouraged to attend. Hear what is being discussed around campus and share your ideas about how we can make IUSM even better.

Statewide curricular change brown bags will be held the first Monday and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are scheduled from noon to 1 p.m. in VanNuys Medical Science Building, room B11, and on Video Bridge 116. Meetings are also scheduled to stream live online. The next meeting will be March 17.

Please visit the MECA website at meca.iusm.iu.edu/integratedcurriculum for the most current meeting information and links to curriculum resources.

The brown bag series is co-sponsored by the Curriculum Council Steering Committee, Faculty Steering Council, Medical Student Council, Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development, and the Offices of Medical Education and Curricular Affairs and Medical Student Affairs.

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Two workshops: Professional Networking and Grant Writing

"The Power of Professional Networking for Success and Satisfaction in the Faculty Role" will be offered on Thursday, March 25, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Emerson Hall, room 304. Professional networking is an important career-building strategy for faculty at any stage, but particularly so for junior faculty who are establishing their research agendas and looking ahead to promotion and tenure.

This seminar, presented by Anne Marie Weber-Main, PhD, will discuss the skills needed to build and sustain a vital, diverse network of colleagues, both within and outside of one's home institution and will include an opportunity to "speed-network" with others.

Additionally, there is still space available for Dr. Weber-Main's workshop: "Less is More: Practical Approaches to Writing Compelling Grant Proposals in Fewer Pages," 8 to 11 a.m. Thursday, March

25, Emerson Hall, room 304. These sessions are sponsored by the Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

For more information about each session and to register, visit faculty.medicine.iu.edu/events.asp.
Questions: maquarle@iupui.edu

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Emory AIDS researcher to present Medicine Grand Rounds

Medicine Grand Rounds at noon, Friday, March 26, will be “Personalized Prevention: Evaluation of a Brief Mobile Phone Counseling Intervention to Sustain HIV/STD Risk-Reduction Effectiveness” presented by Ralph J. DiClemente, PhD. The presentation will be in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Hospital.

Dr. DiClemente is an internationally recognized expert on the development and evaluation of prevention programs tailored to African-American adolescents and young adults. He is particularly well versed in designing programs that use peer-based models of implementation and that are culturally and developmentally appropriate. He has published extensively in the area of HIV/STD prevention, particularly among African- American adolescents and young adults, and in the area of partner violence.

Dr. DiClemente is the Charles Howard Candler Professor of Public Health and associate director, Emory/Atlanta Center for AIDS Research. He holds concurrent appointments as professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases and Immunology, the Division of Epidemiology, the Department of Pediatrics and the Department of Psychiatry. Most recently, he was chair of the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Health Education at the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University.

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National Public Health Week Conference

“A Healthier America: One Community at a Time,” Indiana’s Joint National Public Health Week Conference, will be April 6 and 7 at the IUPUI Campus Center. Last year, nearly 400 health professionals and students attended this premier event.

This year’s conference will feature more than 50 breakout sessions on health, policy, advocacy, professional development and partnerships. In addition, a trade show, multiple networking events, poster presentations and meetings will be held in conjunction with the conference.

CME, CHES, and social work CEUs will be available. For more information, go to www.publichealthconnect.org and click on the National Public Health Week Conference logo.

The registration deadline is **Thursday, April 1**.

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EndNote X3 Workshop

Learn to insert citations and references in Word documents with a click. Setting up an EndNote Library is simple. We’ll show you how. Export references from Ovid Medline and PubMed to EndNote. Workshops are in the newly renovated Medical Research and Library Building computer lab, IB room 226.

Wednesday, April 14, 2:30-4:15 p.m.

Thursday, May 20, 2:30-4:15 p.m.

Tuesday, June 8, 2:30-4:15 p.m.

Tuesday, July 27, 10-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2:30-4:15 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2:30-4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 20, 10-11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 10, 10-11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 14, 10-11:45 a.m.

For assistance with EndNote or to register for a workshop, contact medical librarian, Carole Gall, 274-1411, cfgall@iupui.edu, or technical specialist, Doug Bartlow, 317 274-5077, jbartlo@iupui.edu.

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Second annual Indiana CTSI meeting — April 19

The second annual meeting of the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute will provide an opportunity to learn about a broad range of research initiatives and issues from the perspectives of local and national speakers.

The meeting, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, April 19, will include presentations on biobanks and virtual biorepositories, the physician scientist development program and the National Center for Research Resources's (NCRR) vision of a national consortium. Several CTSI investigators will provide updates on their research, and there will be breakout sessions on comparative effectiveness, health informatics initiatives, building a biorepository and updates on novel technologies.

There will also be a poster session for CTSI-funded investigators at the meeting, which will be held in the atrium of the Health Information and Translational Sciences (HITS) Building, 410 W. 10th Street in Indianapolis. Complimentary breakfast and lunch will be provided.

For the complete schedule and to register, go to www.indianactsi.org/workshops/ctsiann2010.

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Introduction to practical medical informatics

This 1.5-day course, offered during April 22 and 23, will provide a broad introduction to medical informatics. Directed especially towards clinicians and other health professionals at IUPUI, the course is designed to provide non-informaticians with an overview of medical informatics. Learners will gain a basic understanding of medical informatics and how health information systems are organized and used.

This year, the organizers have added a hands-on section and information and demonstrations about how to access medical data available on campus.

For details and registration, visit imicourse.org/.

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Walk the walk for MS

Every hour someone is diagnosed with MS, a chronic disease of the central nervous system for which there is no cure. Multiple sclerosis interrupts the flow of information between the brain and the body and stops people from moving. For some, this means living with unpredictable symptoms like numbness, blurred vision and fatigue, which can come and go without warning. For others, it means more permanent damage, like paralysis.

The Indiana State Chapter of the National MS Society provides help for today – through numerous programs for families living with MS – and hope for tomorrow through national research to find a cure.

The annual Indianapolis Multiple Sclerosis Walk will be held on April 24 on the IUPUI campus. To join the IU MS Center/Dr. Mattson walk team and/or to make a donation please contact Lee Hayward at 278-7293 or visit walkMSindiana.org.

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Save the date: IUSM Spring Faculty Meeting

The Spring Faculty Meeting will be from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, in the Riley Outpatient Center (ROC) auditorium.

Featured speakers:

Maryellen E. Gusic, MD

Incoming Executive Associate Dean for Educational Affairs, IUSM

Associate Dean for Clinical Education, Penn State College of Medicine

Professor of Pediatrics, Division of General Pediatrics, Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital

David S. Wilkes, MD

Executive Associate Dean for Research Affairs

August M. Watanabe Professor of Medical Research

Professor of Medicine, of Microbiology and Immunology

Additional details will be distributed by email and future issues of Scope.

Questions: Contact Kelli Diener at kas1@iupui.edu.

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Research Funding Update

The IU Office of the Vice Provost for Research and the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research offer a weekly digest containing information about funding opportunities including those that limit the number of allowable pre-proposal or proposal submissions. Digests are published on Wednesdays but may be sent more frequently if deadlines are urgent.

View the current [Research Funding Update](#)

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From the desk of John Fitzgerald

You may remember my last update concerning the Indiana Clinic mentioned that we had 375 physicians and 838 advanced providers and staff on board. I am pleased to share that the number has grown to 412 physicians and over 900 advanced providers and staff. Since my last update, we have also signed 18 contracts with new physicians to the Clarian system who will be joining the Indiana Clinic representing the following specialties:

- General Surgery
- Orthopedic Surgery
- Urology
- Pediatric Orthopedic Surgery
- Sports Medicine
- Hospitalists
- Physical Medicine
- Plastic Surgery
- Gastroenterology
- Primary Care

This is getting us some notice in the news media. If you have not seen the recent article in the Indianapolis Star on March 4 about physician-hospital groups, see "[Physician-Hospital links grow](#)." The Indiana Clinic is mentioned, in addition to other hospital systems that have formed physician networks.

I also want to remind you about our partnership with the IU School of Medicine (IUSM), a key strength and competitive advantage of the Indiana Clinic. With a total student body of more than 1,300, IUSM is the second largest in the country. In the first semester of 2009, IUSM experienced a more than 13 percent growth over prior years, bringing the number of entering students to 322. The residency programs train more than 1,000 trainees annually making the IUSM's graduate medical education program one of the largest in the country.

As part of the Indiana Clinic's commitment to support premier educational programs, we established an education subcommittee to help address this growth. Chaired by Dr. Herbert Cushing, associate dean for Medical Student Affairs at the IUSM, the education subcommittee consists of leading clinician-educators from the School. The committee's charge is to advance the educational functions of IUSM through the Indiana Clinic by assuring that we provide students and faculty access to a broad spectrum of patients and medical issues, and by providing unique teaching opportunities like the emergency medicine programs at Methodist and Wishard hospitals.

According to Dr. Cushing and based on a recent presentation made by Dr. Scott Engum, director of the Simulation Center, the education subcommittee believes that optimal and highest quality/safe care can only be delivered in an environment where there is a commitment to ongoing education. One key strategic component of education would include simulation of key procedures and clinical situations. As a result, the education subcommittee is looking at forming a multi-disciplinary group to undertake a pilot program through the utilization of our Simulation Center, located on the fourth floor of Fairbanks Hall.

To expand the subcommittee's efforts and include a broader spectrum of expertise, an Education Council of more than 90 members from across the entire IUSM and Clarian systems was formed. The active participation of this council will prove to be vital in keeping pace with ever-changing medical curricula and planning for future manpower requirements. Specifically, the council is working toward developing process improvement and measurement tools in the area of safety education.

The education subcommittee, along with the Education Council, will play an essential role in sustaining the Indiana Clinic as one of the nation's preeminent multi-specialty physician groups. They will be instrumental in assuring that we achieve our goals in medical education. Please join me in thanking Dr. Cushing and his team for their indispensable contributions. Please also feel free to contact me or Dr. Cushing about how you can help some of the best and brightest students learn from the best and brightest physicians – those here at the Indiana Clinic.

We will continue to provide updates concerning our progress in Education, as it is crucial to the growth of the Indiana Clinic and our hospital system, as a whole.

Sincerely,

John F. Fitzgerald, MD, MBA

CEO, Indiana Clinic

Indianaclinic.org

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Recovery Act Funds available for prevention, wellness initiatives

National organizations will have a key role in building a healthier nation as part of the new U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Communities Putting Prevention to Work initiative.

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced a funding opportunity for national public or private non-profit organizations to apply for \$10 million in cooperative agreements to help communities decrease smoking and obesity, increase physical activity and improve nutrition.

National organizations interested in applying for Communities Putting Prevention to Work- Leveraging National Organizations cooperative agreements can find more information at www.grants.gov. The application deadline is **Monday, April 19**.

To learn more about the Communities Putting Prevention to Work- Leveraging National Organizations program visit www.hhs.gov/ophs/funding/index.html.

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Calling all health professionals

A great deal of time and effort is spent preparing, providing and seeking CME/CEU opportunities for health care licensure and/or certification. However, no one has developed a quick, reliable and validated scale to assist medical educators in creating programs that could meet the needs of various health professionals.

In response, IUSM, in collaboration with Purdue University, the University of South Alabama Medical Center, and Louisiana State University, is conducting a survey about continuing education for health care professionals. The purpose of the survey is to learn the perceptions of health care professionals regarding continuing medical education (CME) and continuing education units (CEU) content and use of technology. The survey is designed to help understand preferences for the methods that the CME and CEU content is delivered.

Your participation is voluntary, confidential and anonymous (i.e., there is no way to link you or your institution to the survey). We are only asking for your honest opinion. This survey should take approximately 15-20 minutes to complete; results will only be reported in summary form.

When you are ready to start the survey, please go to www.surveymonkey.com/s/ZR856ZD

If this does not direct you properly, copy and paste the link into your preferred web browser.

If you have any questions about the survey please e-mail [Mark Di Corcia](mailto:Mark.DiCorcia@fairbankscenter.org), PhD, or call 948-5967, or [Graham Bodie](mailto:Graham.Bodie@fairbankscenter.org), PhD.

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Ethics fellowship applications open

Applications are available for the 2010-2011 Clinical Ethics Fellowship sponsored by the Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics. The application deadline is **Friday, April 30**.

This nine-month, part-time fellowship focuses on training health care professionals in clinical ethics, including ethics consultation, hospital ethics committee work, and ethics research. Graduates will become capable members of the ethics community.

The target audience for the fellowship includes physicians, nurses, chaplains and social workers. Other members of the community (e.g. attorneys or administrative staff) may also apply.

Application to the fellowship is competitive. The application process includes submission of a written application which includes several brief narrative essays, a letter of support from the applicant's immediate supervisor, one letter of recommendation and interviews with Fairbanks Center staff.

For an application and additional information, go to the Fairbanks Center website www.fairbankscenter.org/index.php/programs/fellowship/ or contact Patty Bledsoe, Fairbanks Center program manager, at 962-9260 or pbledsoe@clarion.org.

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Spring forward for DST

At 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 14, 2010, Indiana moves to Eastern Daylight Time. Don't forget to change your clocks.

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New learning assessments video

A new instructional video and handout on creating tests and quizzes (assessments) in ANGEL is now available. This support is provided by the Medical Library to encourage faculty to take advantage of the online testing resources of ANGEL and the newly opened Learning Center for Teaching and Testing on the second floor of the Medical Library.

This new facility allows the participation of up to 160 students in learning and assessment. Faculty may view the new support material on the ANGEL homepage at <https://angel.medicine.iu.edu>.

For more information please contact [Sue London](mailto:Sue.London@fairbankscenter.org), MLS or [Fran Brahmi](mailto:Fran.Brahmi@fairbankscenter.org), PhD at the Medical Library.

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Review telecommunications charges for possible savings

Given the current state of the IU budget, many departments and offices within the School of Medicine are searching for ways to reduce spending.

One group within the IUSM dean's office decided to review their telecommunications charges to determine if they could find any savings.

After reviewing a list of all telecommunication charges (phone, fax, cell phone, etc.) for their office, they were able to make the following changes:

- Elimination of four phone lines which were rarely used.
- Consolidation of fax lines; they had four fax lines, however due to low usage they were able to eliminate all but one.
- Elimination of two cell phones.

By making these changes, this group was able to save \$475 each month. Although this isn't a significant savings, similar savings in all offices could result in a substantial cost reduction.

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Post your postdoc openings in centralize database

Postdoc positions can now be posted in a centralized, searchable database. This will enhance the recruitment of quality postdocs and the ease of managing positions. Please visit the online [Postdoctoral Job Posting System](#) on the faculty section of the postdoctoral affairs website, www.postdoc.medicine.iu.edu.

First-time users will need to create an account. After that, simply log in to manage job postings. Through this system:

- Departments can post, remove, monitor, and repost their own postings including the deadline
- Job descriptions are saved, so they can easily be duplicated for future recruitment needs

Also, through this system, prospective postdocs are able to:

- Access all postdoc opportunities at IUSM in a centralized database
- Search positions by keyword as well as P.I. name

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Williams at jlw25@iupui.edu.

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Kiss a Pig – and 2 IUSM docs – need your votes

Would you kiss a pig? Raghu Mirmira, MD, and Ronald Ackerman, MD, MPH, just might have a chance to do so with the American Diabetes Association's 21st Anniversary Kiss a Pig Campaign.

Completely unique and a whole lot of fun, Kiss a Pig pits local personalities against community leaders to raise funds for the American Diabetes Association. The lucky winner kisses a live pig at halftime of the Indiana Pacers home game on March 24.

Why a pig? It's a way to express gratitude to the pig for its life-saving role as one of the first sources of insulin.

Dr. Mirmira has set a goal to raise \$2500. To vote for Dr. Mirmira, go to main.diabetes.org/site/TR?&px=5677470&pg=personal&fr_id=7190

Dr. Ackerman has set a goal to raise \$4,000. To vote for him, go to main.diabetes.org/site/TR?&px=1996144&pg=personal&fr_id=7190.

Look for the "click here to sponsor me" button and enter your billing information on the secure site. Each vote is actually a \$1 donation to the American Diabetes Association.

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Dining discount offered

Did you know IUSM employees receive a 10 percent discount when dining at Creation Café/Buggs Temple on the canal? Just show your IUSM identification.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 14, or 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 16, to *Sound Medicine*, the award-winning weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1FM) in Indianapolis.

A recent study shows that doctors and nurses often fail to recognize prevalent cognitive impairment in older patients, which can result in poor care. Malaz Boustani, MD, associate professor of medicine and geriatrics specialist at Indiana University School of Medicine, will discuss this study which he led.

Co-host Kathy Miller, MD, associate professor of medicine and breast cancer specialist at the IU School of Medicine, will discuss a Chinese study that claims eating soy is safe for women with breast cancer and may prevent recurrence.

Speech language pathologist Amy McConkey Robbins will discuss her new book, *Whirlwinds and Small Voices: Sustaining Commitment to Work with Special-Needs Children*.

In this week's *Sound Medicine* "Checkup," Jeremy Shere, PhD, will explore universal emotions.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine* as well as other helpful information can be found at www.soundmedicine.iu.edu.

Sound Medicine is underwritten by Clarian Health, IU Medical Group and Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis. Primary care segments are underwritten by Wishard Health Services.

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Honors

Edward Bartkus, MD, assistant professor of clinical emergency medicine, has been named to the newly formed Marion County Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team. The 13-member team will review cases of domestic violence homicides to identify trends or patterns and possible gaps in community-wide response and service delivery systems.

Hugh C. Hendrie, M.B., Ch.B., D.Sc., has been named U.S. Department of Health and Human Services National Advisory Council on Aging. His appointment extends through December 2013. The council advises the HHS secretary, assistant secretary for health, the director of the National Institutes of Health, and the director of National Institute on Aging in its mission to lead a broad scientific effort to understand the nature of aging and to extend the healthy, active years of life. Dr. Hendrie has spent more than 20 years conducting a large, ongoing cross-cultural study of various aspects of Alzheimer's disease in African-Americans in Indianapolis and Africans in Ibadan, Nigeria. Dr. Hendrie, a professor of psychiatry, is the former chair of the IU Department of Psychiatry.

Lee Learman, MD, chair of the IU Department of OB/GYN, has been named to the editorial board as an at-large member for the *Green Journal*, the principle journal in the field of obstetrics and gynecology. His appointment is for four years.

Bernadette Rodak, MS, professor of clinical laboratory science in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine has been named editor in chief of Clinical Laboratory Science, the official journal of the American Society for *Clinical Laboratory Science*. Professor Rodak has served as the editor of the clinical practice section of the journal for the past six years.

Jeffrey Rothenberg, MD, has been inaugurated as president of the Society for Humanism in Medicine. During his one-year term, Dr. Rothenberg will host "Back to Basics—Putting the Humanities Back into Humanism, an Interactive and Experiential Colloquium" in Crested Butte, Colo., home to the society which was formerly named the International Society for the Advancement of Humanistic Studies in Medicine. At this meeting, IU student **Katherine (Katy) Dickerson** (MS3) will be presenting "Creating a New Paradigm: The creation of a Unique Student Interest Group at an Academic Medical School—a model for the future."

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Michigan Street lane closures March 11- May 1

The lane restrictions on Michigan Street that began this week will start with restrictions for one lane west of the service entrance to the IUPUI Campus Center. Past Barnhill Drive, the restrictions will close the southern three lanes of Michigan Street at Lansing Street, leaving one lane for traffic. These lanes will be closed through to Porto Allegre. The intersection of Limestone and Michigan will be closed as well. These lanes are expected to remain closed until May 1.

Beauty Avenue is slated to reopen by Monday, March 15, with the shutdown of Lansing immediately following.

Vermont Street is slated to be restored and open for traffic by March 22.

Pedestrian crossings across Michigan Street at Limestone, Lansing and Porto Allegre will be maintained during lane restrictions.

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Continuing Medical Education

The Continuing Medical Education office launched a new and improved website at cme.medicine.iu.edu. In addition to online registration and listings of grand rounds, conferences and courses, the site provides in-depth tools and information for presenters and program developers. Included are forms, tips, links, contacts, maps, and a host of other handy resources to make it easier to participate in CME events, prepare a presentation or plan an event.

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Resources

Want to find a room that has a Polycom hook-up? Need official IUSM templates for your PowerPoint presentation or poster about a guest lecturer? Check out the new “Resources For” page on the IUSM web site. Resources For is accessible from the school’s home page (medicine.iu.edu) – look on the right-hand side of the page.

If you have suggestions of other resources that would be beneficial and could be added to this list, contact the Office of Public and Media Relations at medschl@iupui.edu.

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MedTV

The Office of Public and Media Relations now manages the MedTV screens on the medical school campus. This closed-circuit TV system, part of the IUPUI network, presents a wonderful opportunity for faculty, staff and students to communicate events and information of interest to others. It also serves as a source for broadcasting emergency information on campus.

The MedTVs are located in public areas of the HITS building, the VanNuys Medical Science Building atrium, the Daly Center and Walther Hall.

Announcements from departments and offices are welcome. To have your department or office announcements posted on MedTV, please read the MedTV guidelines:

communications.medicine.iu.edu/medtv. Questions? Phone 274-7722.

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Scientific Calendar online

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at the new [Scientific Calendar](#) website. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Kelli Diener at kas1@iupui.edu.

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Scope submission guidelines

Scope wants your news items.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays. *Scope* is published electronically and sent to faculty, staff, students, and residents on Fridays (except on holiday weekends when it is published on the following Monday).

There are three easy ways to submit story ideas or information to *Scope*:

- e-mail the information to mhardin@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Mary Hardin, Z-7, Ste. 306, IUPUI
- fax your information to (317) 278-8722

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format. Word document attachments in lieu of fliers are encouraged.

In the interest of accuracy, please do NOT use:

- acronyms
- abbreviations
- campus building codes (use full, proper name of building and include the room number)
- Dr. as a preface before names (designate MD or PhD)

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