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"Stage III NSCLC" Special Seminar presented by Dr. Nasser Hanna

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Top News

Mock visit outcomes indicate continuing progress

Mock evaluators conducting the Mock Site Visit 3, held earlier this month, report that IU School of Medicine is making great progress in preparing for the school's April reaccreditation site visit by a survey team for the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME). School improvement teams have worked diligently since September's mock site visit to actively address areas of opportunity with progress being made in key areas such as academic advising and career mentoring, student mistreatment policies and wellness initiatives.

"The graduation questionnaire and other forms of student feedback are invaluable for us to improve the educational experience statewide," said IU School of Medicine Dean Jay Hess, MD, PhD, MHSA, vice president for university clinical affairs. "We are committed to engaging more with learners and making changes based on that feedback. This will be critical for continuous quality improvement and our collective success."

Questions about the school's reaccreditation process? Visit [Medical School Accreditation](#) or email lcme2016@iu.edu.

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Transformation timeline charts school improvements

From launching a new curriculum to important enhancements in student wellness, mentoring and career counseling, IU School of Medicine has prompted a variety of transformation changes. The school's continuous quality improvement (CQI) efforts are detailed in a [transformation timeline graphic](#) shared during the recent Mock Site Visit 3, conducted in preparation for the school's upcoming reaccreditation site visit by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) in late April.

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Revised and updated education policies now available in

student handbook

Several recently approved medical education policies are now available in the **student handbook**, which is housed on IU School of Medicine’s website. These new or revised policies relate to attendance, professional conduct, and other **syllabus** and **faculty** updates.

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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IU to roll out new CrimsonCard for all campuses

Indiana University is replacing many different card systems with a common identity card that will function consistently across all IU campuses. Called CrimsonCard, it will be used for a variety of university services and features, including:

- Secure access to IU buildings
- Meal plans
- Campus libraries
- Sports and recreation facilities
- Printing services
- Payment at participating retailers

CrimsonCard distribution will begin in early April to new students attending orientation events. From then on, all incoming students, faculty and staff will receive a CrimsonCard at no cost. Current IU cardholders will be able to replace their existing, valid campus cards at their convenience by summer 2018.

More information about CrimsonCard, including how to obtain it, is available online.

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Research News

January research awards total more than \$3.7 million



Investigator	Sponsor	Type	Project Title	Begin Date	End
Zachary W. Adams	National Institute On Drug Abuse	New	M-Health Tools to Enhance Treatment of Teen Substance Abuse and Mental Illness	8/1/2016	3/31
Armin Blesch	The Morton Cure Paralysis Fund	New	Functional requirements for neuronal stem cell relays in spinal cord injury	11/1/2016	10/3
Cynthia Diane Brown	Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Therapeutics Inc.	Renewal (not prev committed)	Additional Research Coordinator (ARC) Award	12/1/2016	11/3
Timothy W Corson	Retina Research Foundation	Renewal (not prev committed)	Role of epoxy lipid metabolism in choroidal neovascularization	1/1/2017	12/3
Utpal Dave	National Cancer Institute	New	The Role of LMO2 in the Pathogenesis of T-cell Leukemia	9/15/2016	8/31
Jesus Delgado-Calle	International Myeloma Foundation	New	Bone/bone marrow-targeted inhibition of Notch signaling in combination with glucocorticoid therapy as a novel approach to treat multiple myeloma	1/1/2017	12/3
Carmella Evans-Molina	Mayo Clinic, Rochester	New	Regulation of pulmonary anti-viral immunity in normal and obese hosts	12/1/2016	3/31
Robert J. Fallon	Children's Hospital Of Philadelphia	New	Everychild (APEC14B1) PCR - COG Foundation	10/26/2015	11/3
Martin Rhys Farlow	University Of California, San Diego	New	The Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study - Discover Committee ADC-043-DISC (QR15001)	3/1/2016	2/28

J. Emanuel Finet	Duke University	New	GUIDing Evidence Based Therapy Using Biomarker Intensified Treatment in Heart Failure (GUIDE-IT)	8/1/2015	7/31
Heather Ann Hundley	National Institute Of General Medical Sciences	New	Regulation of A-to-I editing in Neurons	1/23/2017	1/22
Matthew Paul Landman	Nationwide Children's Hospital	New	Multi- Institutional Trial of non-operative management of uncomplicated pediatric appendicitis	8/1/2016	7/31
Suthat Liangpunsakul	So California Institute For Research And Education	Renewal (not prev committed)	Genetic Risk Factors for Alcoholic Cirrhosis - Genome-Wide Case-Control Study	9/1/2016	8/31
Debra K. Litzelman	Emory University	New	Faculty Development for the Interprofessional Teaching of Humanism	3/1/2016	1/31
Anirban Kumar Mitra	Colleen's Dream Foundation	New	Mechanism of microenvironment mediated upregulation of ETS1 in ovarian cancer metastasis	12/15/2016	12/1
Michael P. Murphy	U.S. Department Of Veterans Affairs	Renewal (not prev committed)	VA IPA Agreement Linden Green	11/1/2016	6/30
Paul Musey	University Of North Carolina	New	Longitudinal Assessment of Post-traumatic Syndromes	9/23/2016	7/31
Kenneth P. Nephew	Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance	New	Epigenetic Vulnerabilities of Ovarian Cancer Stem Cells	1/1/2017	2/1/

David Alan Plager	Riley Children's Foundation	Renewal (not prev committed)	Pediatric Ophthalmology Research	7/1/2016	6/30
Shekhar S. Raj	Children's Hospital Medical Center Of Cincinnati	New	Stratification of Pediatric Septic Shock	7/1/2016	2/28
Jamie L Renbarger	Riley Children's Foundation	New	RCF- PS. We Love You	7/1/2016	6/30
Frederick J. Rescorla	Nationwide Children's Hospital	New	Internal Startup	1/1/2016	12/31
William J. Sullivan	University South Florida	New	Developmental switches regulating tissue cyst formation	8/1/2016	7/31
Angela M. Tomlin	Riley Children's Foundation	Renewal (not prev committed)	Riley Maternity and Newborn Health - Performance Engine Implementation and Operation	7/1/2016	6/30
Stephen B. Trippel	University Of California, Davis	New	Investigation of proteoglycan mimetics as treatments for osteoarthritis	9/7/2016	3/31
Bo Zhao	National Institute On Deafness And Other Comm. Dis	New	Fam65b function in hearing and deafness	12/1/2016	1/31

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Faculty and Staff News

Make your vote count in annual ranking of Best Hospitals

The time is here--and you can make your vote count toward *US News & World Report* rankings for Best Hospitals this year.

If you have an online profile with Doximity, a web tool for physicians, then watch your preferred email account for a Doximity message that invites you to vote in the national survey process for Best Hospitals. A subset of randomly selected physicians also will be contacted by mail to participate. Voting closes in late March.

Why vote? Each year, *US News* rankings give patients and families a measuring stick for decision-making about where to go for health care. High rankings can favorably influence patient and family perceptions and opinions, and IU School of Medicine benefits from association with a highly ranked health system.

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First in series of group teaching workshops held in Fort Wayne

To further enhance development of volunteer faculty at IU School of Medicine's statewide campuses, Educational Affairs and the Office of Faculty Affairs and Faculty Development are conducting a "traveling faculty development curriculum"--a series of workshops at regional campuses. The first workshop, Clinical Teaching Strategies, was presented this week for 22 physicians at IU School of Medicine-Fort Wayne. Topics included adult learning theory, the One Minute Clinical Preceptor, SNAPPS and horizontal learning.

"The workshop on clinical teaching re-ignited my desire and vision for clinical teaching," said Joseph Kosnick, MD, director of clinical education at the Fort Wayne campus. "I took away ideas on how I can effectively teach despite the demands of a busy clinical workload. It was great to experience a connection with other clinical faculty from Indianapolis and Muncie, as well as camaraderie with other local clinical faculty members."

The second workshop, focusing on the student learning environment, is set for Friday, Feb. 24, at IU School of Medicine-Muncie. The workshops are being led by Susan Ballinger, MD; Matthew Neal, MD; Steve Cico, MD; and Laura Torbeck, PhD, assistant deans for educational affairs and faculty development.

The assistant deans plan to schedule more workshops later this year with a goal of conducting one or two at each regional campus annually. For more information, email Dr. Neal at jamneal@iu.edu.

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Student News

Save the date: upcoming spring events

Spring is a busy season for IU School of Medicine with a number of annual events highlighting spring session. Here are some noteworthy events and dates to add to your calendar:

Match Day: Friday, March 17; Van Nuys Medical Science Atrium, IU School of Medicine-Indianapolis

Evening of the Arts: Saturday, April 8; Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet School

Senior Banquet and Award Ceremony: Friday, May 12; JW Marriott, Grand Ballroom, downtown Indianapolis

Commencement: Saturday, May 13; Indiana Convention Center, Sagamore Ballroom, downtown Indianapolis

For more information, visit the [Medical Student Portal](#) on MEDNet.

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Reminder for fourth-year students: GQ now available

Fourth-year medical students received an email from the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) on Feb. 14 with instructions for completing the graduation questionnaire (GQ). The questionnaire provides essential feedback about IU School of Medicine, its educational experience and other programs.

Feedback from the GQ and other student surveys has led to changes at IU School of Medicine, including:

Adjustments to the current and new curriculum designs, including the introduction of Pass/Fail in Phase I, Connection Days and additional sub-internship rotations.

Expansion of academic advising and career mentor program with 12 lead advisors and career mentors.

The addition of dedicated counseling services, as well as extended holiday and exam prep time to better support student wellness.

A new Ombuds position and confidential online reporting system for both incidents of mistreatment as well as exemplars of professionalism to foster a positive learning environment.

The online survey takes just 25 minutes to complete and can be completed in several sittings, if needed.

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Opportunities

Next accent modification class begins on March 22

International medical professionals are invited to enroll for the upcoming accent

modification (AEI) course, which begins Wednesday, March 22. The class meets on 11 consecutive Wednesdays from 5:15 to 7:15 pm, at IU Health Methodist Hospital (Candlelight Room, A3050-A). The goal of AEI is to improve participants' spoken communications with colleagues, patients and staff through modification not elimination of their international accents.

For more information and to register, visit faculty.medicine.iu.edu.

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HANDS in Autism accepting applications for new research fellowship

A two-year postdoctoral research fellowship is available for candidates interested in research focused on the implementation research at the HANDS in Autism® Interdisciplinary Resource and Training Center (HANDS) at Indiana University School of Medicine. Program evaluation and other data emerging from multiple intensive trainings and demonstration projects across the state is ready for analysis and dissemination. Further program evaluation and furthering of the research and grant development missions of the center are needed.

The fellow will have an appointment within the IU School of Medicine Children's Health Services Research (CHSR) and will benefit from joint mentorship from faculty at CHSR and HANDS in Autism® to ensure the training, support and focus needed to achieve the goals of this position and research mission of both centers. An [informational brochure](#) includes more details and application instructions. Questions? Contact Naomi Swiezy at nswiezy@iupui.edu.

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Transgender Health Conference is March 10

Plan to attend next month's Transgender Health Conference to learn the unique health risks and barriers to health care in the transgender population, as well as the basic elements of transgender-specific health care. Providers will learn to facilitate respectful, patient-centered, culturally competent health care to all patients, including transgender patients.

[Registration](#) on Friday, March 10, begins at 7 am with a light breakfast; conference programing begins at 7:30 am. Pre-registration is required, but there is no cost to attend. This conference qualifies for Continuing Medical Education credit.

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Kudos

Moe and Chalasani elected to AAP

Sharon Moe, MD, Stuart A. Kleit Professor of Nephrology and nephrology division chief, and Naga Chalasani, MD, David W. Crabb Professor of Gastroenterology and Hepatology and gastroenterology division chief, were recently elected to the Association of American Physicians (AAP). AAP is a prestigious honor medical society of physician scientists with membership obtained through a rigorous selection process.

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Partner News

Eskenazi Health Trauma Center re-verified by American College of Surgeons

The Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons has re-verified the Smith Level I Shock Trauma Center at Eskenazi Health at Level I, the highest level of trauma care available. This achievement recognizes the trauma center’s dedication to providing optimal care for injured patients.

“At Eskenazi Health we see the most serious injuries, and the staff at the Smith Level I Shock Trauma Center are well prepared to care for these patients. Besides having the ability to treat the most serious trauma patients, our trauma staff also works to prevent these injuries by community education activities and programs specifically aimed at reducing trauma admissions,” said Dr. Lisa Harris, CEO at Eskenazi Health.

The Smith Level I Shock Trauma Center is one of the busiest in the state, treating more than 3,000 patients each year. It became the first verified Level I trauma center in the state in 1992.

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