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#### **Top News**

## Markham appointed section director of pediatric cardiology

Larry Markham, MD, MSCR, a dual-trained cardiologist in internal medicine and pediatrics, has been appointed section director of pediatric cardiology at IU School of Medicine and co-director of the pediatric cardiovascular service line at Riley Children's Health, including, Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health.

Dr. Markham brings specific expertise in pediatric and adult congenital clinical cardiology, including complex care delivery and transition of care.

Since 2007, Dr. Markham has served as associate professor of pediatrics and medicine with appointments to both the division of pediatric cardiology and the division of adult cardiovascular medicine at Vanderbilt University and Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital.

Dr. Markham holds several leadership roles at Vanderbilt, including director of the Adult Congenital Heart Disease (ACHD) program, director of the Neuromuscular Cardiology clinic, ACHD fellowship program director and co-director of the Vanderbilt Center for Inherited Heart Disease, where he helped develop the administrative infrastructure and advancement of the clinical care component within the Vanderbilt Heart and Vascular Institute.

"Dr. Markham is an established leader in the development of innovative clinical programs to support children with congenital heart disease as they mature into

adolescents and young adults," said D. Wade Clapp, MD, chair of the Department of Pediatrics at IU School of Medicine and physician in chief at Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health. "He is an outstanding clinical investigator in inherited cardiac conditions and a national leader in developing strong training programs. We're excited he will have appointments in both pediatrics and internal medicine to maximize the coordination of care for these patients as they mature."

For more on Dr. Markham's appointment, visit the IU School of Medicine Newsroom.

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# Three IU School of Medicine students earn cancer research scholarships

Aspiring cancer researchers and IU School of Medicine students Ciersten Burks, Teresa Easwaran and Anna Filley have received the Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center's 2017 William J. Wright Scholarship.

The scholarship includes a \$6,000 financial reward and also the expectation that the recipient will devote at least two months to a cancer-related project during the school year. Such projects can range from lab experiments to health outcomes research and cancer awareness programs.

This year's Wright winners represent a wide variety of backgrounds, scholarly interests and motivations for pursuing a career in medicine, ranging from a former captain of the IU women's soccer team to a classically trained cellist to a Purdue University graduate who originally aspired to become an engineer.

To learn about the scholarship recipients, read the full News at IUPUI story.

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#### Reminder: Current school ID cards valid until June 2018

While university-wide promotion of IU's new CrimsonCard continues, current IU School of Medicine ID cards remain valid and will continue to work until at least June 30, 2018.

IU launched CrimsonCard, the new official photo ID card for all campuses, this spring. IU School of Medicine is currently working on a distribution process for new cards that will provide access to IU and IU Health facilities through a single CrimsonCard. Current IU School of Medicine students (undergraduate, graduate and professional), faculty and staff, including part-time and student workers, should disregard *the timing* indicated in the IU-wide promotion and wait to get a replacement card.

Updates will continue to appear in INScope and via MedTV. Questions should be directed to Clinical Affairs IT Services at 317-274-5336 or CAITS@iu.edu.

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South Bend campus involved in local consortium to battle opioid

#### epidemic

IU School of Medicine-South Bend associate dean and director Mark D. Fox, MD, PhD, MPH, and several of the school's clinical faculty members are playing a critical role in the formation of a consortium to battle the opioid epidemic.

The group was formed in response to the murder of South Bend physician Todd Graham, MD, last month. Dr. Graham was killed by a patient's husband who police say became angry when Dr. Graham refused to fill an opioid prescription. Read more about the local effort and IU School of Medicine-South Bend's role in reports from WNDU and the South Bend Tribune.

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#### **Research News**

## Regenstrief developing and testing novel automated patient identification

Matching patients to their medical records from multiple health care providers is critical to medical care, but can be challenging to accomplish because their records can be incomplete or inaccurate, and patients often share similar names.

A new five-year, \$1.7 million grant to the Regenstrief Institute's Center for Biomedical Informatics (CBMI) from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) supports development and real-world testing of automated patient identification approaches. The work builds upon CBMI's more than 15 years of experience in patient record matching and the unique resource of the Indiana Network for Patient Care (INPC), the largest inter-organizational clinical data repository in the country. The INPC, developed by CBMI and now operated by the Indiana Heath Information Exchange, provides an ideal environment for developing and testing new approaches.

"Matching the correct individual to his or her health data is critical to their medical care," said CBMI Director Shaun Grannis, MD, MS, principal investigator for the new grant and associate professor of medicine, IU School of Medicine. "Statistics show that up to one in five patient records is not accurately matched even within the same health care system. As many as half of patient records are mismatched when data is transferred between health care systems.

"Before you can gather clinical data, you must know exactly which patient you are talking about," Dr. Grannis said. "Our work will help electronic medical record systems better and more accurately bring together a patient's information. Ensuring more accurate patient identification helps to reduce the number of preventable medical errors, ultimately achieving better health outcomes, which is our mission."

For more, visit the IU School of Medicine Newsroom.

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### **Faculty and Staff News**

# Daftary awarded first Evans Fellowship for Healthcare Leadership

Ameet Daftary, MD, associate professor of clinical pediatrics, has been selected as the first recipient of the Evans Fellowship for Healthcare Leadership. Named in honor of Daniel F. Evans, Jr., JD, president emeritus, Indiana University Health, the Evans Fellowship is a unique opportunity for a mid/senior faculty member to develop the professional and personal skills required to lead and manage in today's complex and fast-changing academic health center environment.

The fellowship offers two years of leadership training, including structured coursework leading to a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from the IU Kelley Business of Medicine program, extensive coaching, networking and mentoring opportunities.

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#### Bauer named medical knowledge competency director

Margaret Bauer, PhD, associate professor of microbiology and immunology, has been named medical knowledge competency director at IU School of Medicine. Regina Kreisle, MD, PhD, who serves as director of IU School of Medicine-West Lafayette, previously held the position.

Since joining the Department of Microbiology and Immunology in 2005, Dr. Bauer has served as co-chair of the Foundational Component Committee, which oversees the foundational science components of the medical student curriculum.

As medical knowledge competency director, Dr. Bauer will work with the other five competency directors and the chair to ensure adequate incorporation of medical knowledge, including evidence-based principles of biomedical, clinical, epidemiological and social-behavioral sciences, into the medical student curriculum.

"Students struggling with a course or clerkship will meet with me, and together we'll develop a game-plan to catch them up to speed so they can mediate material," Dr. Bauer explained.

As a new chapter for this position unfolds, Dr. Bauer plans to work with others involved in the MD curriculum to enhance student support and continue to provide exceptional medical education.

Learn more about the MD curriculum and the six competency areas of medical knowledge, patient care, practice-based learning and improvement, interpersonal and communication skills, professionalism and systems-based practice.

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## Lamb to keynote IHIF annual meeting

Bruce Lamb, PhD, professor, medical and molecular genetics; Roberts Family Chair in Alzheimer's Disease Research; and executive director, Stark Neuroscience Research Institute, Indiana University, will present the keynote address at the Indiana Health Industry Forum (IHIF) annual meeting and dinner on Wednesday, Sept. 13. The event begins at 5 pm and will be held at The Alexander in downtown Indianapolis. More information and registration is available.

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#### Denny appointed to serve as volunteer accreditation surveyor

Kim Denny, assistant director, IU School of Medicine Division of Continuing Medical Education, has been appointed to serve as a volunteer accreditation surveyor for the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). Eligibility for the position carries expectations of having prior knowledge and ongoing involvement in the profession of continuing medical education, experience participating in a regulatory accreditation process, and familiarity with mechanisms to identify and resolve conflicts of interest. In this role, Denny will review reaccreditation submission materials and conduct interviews for peer institutions eligible for reaccreditation with ACCME.

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#### **Student News**

## Alumni share "pearls of wisdom" with first-year students

Words to live by as they begin their medical school careers. That's what members of the class of 2021 received from their predecessors during last Friday's White Coat Ceremony. The IU School of Medicine Alumni Association asked alumni to share a piece of advice or words of encouragement for incoming IU medical students. Students received a "pearl of wisdom" printed on a note card in the pocket of their white coat. Ryan Bowman's blog article includes some of the "pearls" from this year's ceremony.

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## Student spotlight: Vitalis Osuji

Meet first-year IU School of Medicine student Vitalis Osuji, who moved from Nigeria to Boston in 2009. He developed a passion for medicine at an early age and is involved in a variety of service endeavors, including tutoring and mentoring. Last November, he established the Vital Healing Project, a non-profit organization dedicated to de-

stigmatizing mental illness in minority populations. Read more about Osuji in this blog article.

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## IU School of Medicine-South Bend students present summer work

Second-year South Bend campus students Christian Allebach, Brenna McElderry and Mattie White are among a select group of student researchers chosen to give project presentations on their summer work with the Indiana Medical Student Program for Research and Scholarship. Allebach's presentation was on his work on a community-based response to the lead poisoning crisis in St. Joseph County. McElderry's project was titled "Childhood Cancer Has Lower Health Utility than Identical Non-Cancer Illness to Caregivers of Healthy Children." White's project was titled "Long Non-Coding RNA MIR193GHG Regulates Cholesterol Biosynthesis by Interacting with RALY."

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### **Opportunities**

## Plan to attend Sept. 15 symposium on scaffold-free biofabrication

IUPUI is hosting a joint symposium with Johns Hopkins University titled "Progress in Scaffold-Free Biofabrication" and its second annual 3D Bioprinting Core open house on Sept. 15 in the auditorium of Walther Hall (R3 Research Building).

Researchers at Indiana University and Johns Hopkins are the first in the United States to have direct access to a new type of 3D bioprinting, based on an innovative technology to create living tissues from cellular spheroids, now for use in their research laboratories and potentially for use in humans.

The event will feature both the "Regenova Bio 3D-Printer" by Cyfuse Biomedical and the IncuCyte ZOOM by Essen Bioscience automatic fluorescent microscope for spheroids analysis.

For more information and to register, visit the event registration page.

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# Apply for the Eli Lilly-Stark Neurosciences post-doctoral research fellowship

The Stark Neurosciences Research Institute and the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) seek applicants for special post-doctoral training fellowships in translational neurodegenerative disease research. Applicants whose research focuses on age-related neurodegeneration, including Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, chronic traumatic encephalopathy and others are encouraged to apply.

Translational research refers to what is popularly termed as "bench to bedside"; the process by which research in the lab translates into patient treatment. Annual stipend (plus applicable health insurance) is aligned with current National Institutes of Health recommendations. An annual supplement of \$7,500 is to be used for travel, computers and general supplies. Initial funding duration is for one (1) year, and is renewable for one (1) additional year pending review and demonstration of satisfactory progress.

Application details are available at indianactsi.org. Letters of intent are due Friday, Aug. 18, and application submission deadline is Monday, Sept. 18. Questions? Email icreate@iu.edu or call 317-278-2822.

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#### **Partner News**

## IU Health named a U.S. News "top hospital" for 20th year

This week U.S. News & World Report released its 2017-2018 "Best Hospitals" rankings and "Best Hospitals for Common Care" ratings, naming Indiana University Health among the nation's top hospitals for the 20th consecutive year. According to the U.S. News rankings, IU Health is the No. 1 ranked hospital in Indiana and Indianapolis and is the only nationally ranked adult hospital in the state.

For 2017-18, IU Health achieved national rankings in the following seven clinical specialty areas for adults (with respective ranking out of 50):

Cardiology and Heart Surgery—49th

Gastroenterology—22nd

Geriatrics—25th

Nephrology—19th

Neurology and Neurosurgery—30<sup>th</sup>

Pulmonology—39<sup>th</sup>

Urology—36<sup>th</sup>

The full list of U.S. News Best Hospitals rankings is available at health.usnews.com/best-hospitals. For more, visit iuhealth.org.

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