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Grant to establish new program in palliative care

The IU Simon Cancer Center has received a \$3.4 million grant from the Walther Cancer Foundation to create the Walther Program in Palliative Care Research and Education. The new program will be co-lead by Greg Sachs, MD, professor of medicine and division director of general internal medicine and geriatrics, and Larry Cripe, MD, associate professor of medicine and medical director of palliative care at IU Hospital.

"We are not only excited by this grant, but also deeply appreciative and grateful to the Walther Cancer Foundation for the opportunity that the grant represents," said Dr. Sachs. "Funding for palliative care research has been one of the biggest challenges for the field, so this grant is a real game changer. It will allow us to jump-start our work from one that is promising to one that makes a real difference."

Palliative care is a rapidly developing medical specialty that emphasizes the prevention and treatment of the symptoms of a disease, side effects caused by treatment of a disease, and psychological, social and spiritual problems related to a disease or its treatment. Palliative care also focuses on the conversations required to reach a shared understanding of care goals. Preliminary studies have suggested that cancer care combined with palliative care leads to a better quality of life, fewer depressive symptoms and a longer life expectancy.

For more information, visit the IUSM Newsroom.

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Indiana University Health logo revealed

Clarian Health has recently released images of the new Indiana University Health logo.

Originally unveiled via the Clarian Health intranet and via various e-mails from Clarian and Indiana Clinic leaders, the logo will identify Indiana University Health as part of a nationally recognized system of healthcare providers united under a new identity.

To see the new logo, visit pulse.clarian.org/unite/glr/logo.html or download the PDF.

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Faculty Council seeks nominations to leadership, committees

The IUSM Faculty Council has launched a new electronic process this year for the faculty preferences sheet. Faculty can submit nominations for the position of president- and secretary-elect, and preferences for service on standing and ad-hoc committees, at surveycentral.uc.iupui.edu/prefs.aspx.

Nominations will close Friday, Jan. 7.

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Kellams leads donation to mental health group

Jeffrey J. Kellams, MD, professor of clinical psychiatry and chief of Psychiatric Services and Staff Psychiatrist at Wishard Health Services, presented a check on behalf of the Indianapolis Medical Society to Mental Health America of Indiana during a ceremony Dec. 16 at Omni Severin Hotel in Indianapolis.

Dr. Kellams, who also serves as medical director of Midtown Mental Health Center in Indianapolis, was installed as the 137th president of the Indianapolis Medical Society in October. In order to focus on his philosophy for the coming year, Dr. Kellams decided to forego a "formal" inauguration and instead donate a portion of the money allocated for the ceremony to charitable causes in the Indianapolis area.

The donation was officially accepted by Stephen C. McCaffrey, JD, President and CEO of MHAI.

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Message from Dean Brater

Dear Colleagues,

Most of us wouldn't notice a ratings change for any organization, much less for a health system. In fact, if you are like me, ratings never penetrated your conscious thought until Moody's, Standard & Poor's, and others became so prominent during the economic meltdown. So my bet is you missed

the recent announcement that Clarian's (Indiana University Health's) rating was recently changed significantly for the positive. I believe it is news worth sharing because the reasons for the change are instructive. Fitch is one of the global rating agencies; it recently upgraded Clarian Health Partners from A+ to AA-. The move to "double A" status is notable – only a handful of hospitals and health systems around the country enjoy this high rating.

In its rationale, the agency explains that the ratings upgrade reflects the benefits of Clarian's investments in facilities and physician alignment strategies, which have strengthened its market position and broadened its geographic reach beyond the Indianapolis metro area. In other words, this is external validation of the statewide strategy Clarian has been pursuing. The report points out that these strategic decisions are driving increasing clinical volumes and improved operating profitability. Fitch specifically points to close ties with IUSM as the sole academic medical center in the state as a key driver, along with strong inpatient and outpatient clinical volume growth and investment in strategic growth initiatives.

Fitch's "stable outlook" designation reflects its belief that "Clarian will continue to benefit from its size and scale, particularly as it relates to physician alignment" and that the decision to rebrand as Indiana University Health System "should further enhance Clarian's reputation and position within the region."

I should also note that Clarian received a similar rating upgrade recently from Moody's as well.

Taken together, these upgrades are certainly promising news; but more importantly they offer external validation of Clarian's statewide strategy and, in particular, the close relationship with IUSM.

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Seminar for new tenured research faculty

"I'm a Newly-Tenured Associate Professor: Now What?," the next seminar in the Research Faculty Development Series, will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 10, in the Emerson Hall auditorium, room 304.

After the excitement of achieving tenure, what is really expected? How should faculty prepare for promotion to full professorship? Answers to these and other questions will be address in this discussion about understanding a faculty's role at this rank and beyond.

To register, visit <u>faculty.medicine.iu.edu/events.asp</u>.

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Psychiatrist to present on depression in the elderly

IU Geriatrics will sponsor a presentation on the topic of "Clinical Depression in the Elderly" from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, in Wishard Hospital, conference room T2008A/B.

Geriatric psychiatrist Jeanne Dickens, MD, MS, associate professor of clinical psychiatry, will highlight the diagnostic criteria and symptomatology of depressive disorders listed in DSM IV-TR, and will focus on commonly encountered comorbid medical illnesses as well as recommended pharmacologic and non-medicinal treatment interventions.

Questions to Laurel Marshall at 630-2219 or laimars@iupui.edu.

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FEED session to focus on patient behavior

The Faculty Enrichment and Education Development (FEED) series will present "Helping People Help Themselves: Patient Behavior, MI and U" from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, in the Riley outpatient Center, rooms A and B.

This informative and interactive session will familiarize clinical teachers with the practice of Motivational Interviewing (MI), a patient-centered communication practice that involves facilitating enhanced motivation toward patients' personal goals. The use of MI in clinical practice and the evidence for effectiveness will be discussed. During the session, facilitators will focus on the use of MI in the setting of brief interventions targeted at risky alcohol and other substance use.

In addition, participants will have guided practice in using MI techniques and discuss how to teach and give feedback on these practices to their learner.

For more information, visit <u>faculty.medicine.iu.edu/events.asp</u>.

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Next Generation Sequencing Symposium

The Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute will host the 2011 Next Generation Sequencing Symposium from noon to 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, in the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

Tim H. M. Huang, PhD, professor of molecular virology, immunology and medical genetics-human genetics at Ohio State University and director of the OSU-IU Center for Cancer Systems Biology, will deliver a keynote address on "Epigenetic regulation in cancer drug resistance."

Additional speakers will include Susan Clare, MD, PhD, associate professor of surgery and co-director of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Tissue Bank; Rebecca W. Doerge, PhD, professor and chair of statistics and agronomy and director of the Statistics Bioinformatics Center at Purdue University; Howard J. Edenberg, PhD, professor of biochemistry and molecular biology and medical and molecular genetics and director of the Center for Medical Genomics; Jeffrey Feder, PhD, professor of biological sciences and director of the Global Linkages of Biology, the Environment, and Society at the University of Notre Dame; Tatiana Foroud, PhD, professor of medical molecular genetics and director of the division of hereditary diseases and family studies; and Yuzhen Ye, PhD, assistant professor of bioinformatics at IU-Bloomington.

This event is sponsored by the Center for Computational Biology and Bioinformatics, the Center for Medical Genomics and the Ohio State University-Indiana University Center for Cancer Systems Biology.

To register, visit <u>compbio.iupui.edu/nextgen/registrants/register</u>. For more information, visit <u>compbio.iupui.edu/nextgen</u>.

Questions to Yunlong Liu, PhD, at 278-9222 or yunliu@iupui.edu or Kenneth Cornetta, MD, at kcornett@iupui.edu.

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Rawls to lecture on history of black physicians

The Medical Humanities-Health Studies Program will present "The History of the Black Physician in Indianapolis: A Microcosm of the United States," a presentation by George H. Rawls, MD, assistant dean emeritus and emeritus clinical professor of surgery, from noon to 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, in the Van Nuys Medical Sciences Building, room B26.

Dr. Rawls is the author of "The History of the Black Physician in Indianapolis," "The Surgeon's Turn" and "Papa, I want to be a Surgeon." His lecture will focus on the disappointment and triumph of blacks in their quest for equality in seeking and obtaining health care in Indianapolis and the country, including the years following the Civil War, during which black patients and physicians were exposed to discrimination. Black patients were admitted primarily to city hospitals or the basement of private hospitals; black physicians were not able to get hospital privileges. Often, patients were turned over to Caucasian physicians who had privileges or treated primarily by medical students, interns and residents.

This event is a part of the Seminars in Medical Humanities and Health Studies, as well as part of the History of Medicine Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the John Shaw Billings History of Medicine Society, and a Diversity Week Lecture, co-sponsored by the Student National Medical Association, Division of Diversity and Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

Lunch will be provided. For more information, visit medhumanities.iupui.edu/new/template seminars.htm.

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Promotion and tenure workshops

The Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development will host a series of faculty promotion and tenure workshops throughout the month of February:

- General Promotion and Tenure Session: 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb 16, in Fairbanks Hall, room 5005
- Excellence in Research: 8 to 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, in the HITS Building, room 1130
- Excellence in Teaching: 8 to 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb 24, in Fairbanks Hall, room 6010
- Excellence in Service: 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb 22, in Fairbanks Hall, room 6010
- Special Session for Women: noon to 1 p.m. Monday, Feb 28, in Fairbanks Hall, room 5005

Questions to Krista Hoffmann-Longtin at 278-2608 or klongtin@iupui.edu.

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IUPUI Research Day — April 8

Mark your calendar: The IUPUI Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research has set the date of its annual Research Day for Friday, April 8.

The IUPUI community is encouraged to attend this year's event. Additional information will be announced during the coming months.

Questions to Etta Ward or 278-8427 or at emward@iupui.edu.

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Accent modification for health care professionals

The Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development will offer a course, "Accent Modification for the International Healthcare Professional," from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 1 through March 22, in Methodist Hospital, Candlelight Room A3050-A.

Enrollment is open to international faculty, post-docs, fellows, residents, medical students and nurses. Class will meet eight consecutive weeks and be taught by an experienced ELS instructor. The course's goal is to improve participants' spoken communications with colleagues, patients and staff through modification—not elimination—of their international accents. In addition to the traditional concerns of accurate sounds, classes will focus on fluency (word stress, sentence rhythm and intonation).

Cost is \$240 by Monday, Jan. 10 (\$280 after Jan. 10) for IU/Clarian employees or \$340 by Jan. 10 (\$380 after Jan. 10) for non-IU/non-Clarian employees. This course includes 22 CME/CE credits. To register, visit faculty.medicine.iu.edu/special/aei.html.

Questions to Poonam Khurana, MD, at 962-2275 or pkhurana@iupui.edu.

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Summer research program seeks students

The IU Simon Cancer Center's 2011 Summer Research Program, held in partnership with the IUPUI Center for Research and Learning, places high school and undergraduate students with a mentor physician or researcher for nine weeks (June 1 to July 29) on the IUPUI campus. Students work with faculty who are conducting studies in the most progressive areas of cancer research.

The program's primary goal is to increase the number of underrepresented populations engaged in basic, clinical, and prevention and control cancer research by providing positive and meaningful firsthand exposure to those fields.

Each student receives a stipend of \$3,200. Students are responsible for their own housing arrangements. For additional information and an online application, visit www.cancer.iu.edu/srp. Application deadline is **Friday**, **Feb. 11**.

Questions to the IUPUI Center for Research & Learning at 274-8880.

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Local hotel discounts available

Out-of-town guests coming for the holidays? Special discount hotel rates as low as 40 percent are available to all IUSM faculty, staff, students and guests through the Clarian ProCare Hotel Program.

In addition, ProCare-booked hotel rooms also provide Clarian Social Services with free nights for families with limited resources. This means by booking through ProCare saves money and helps those in need.

Participating hotels are located in downtown Indianapolis and around the I-465 beltway with easy access to hospitals, universities and businesses, as well as to all attractions in the area. Local hotels participating in the program include the five-star Conrad Hotel, offering 30 percent to 40 percent discounts.

To save on a room using ProCare, contact a ProCare concierges at 974-2039 or 1 (800) 974-2039, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. Or call the hotel and ask for the ProCare rate. To book online, visit www.procarenetwork.com/hotels.

For more information, see a video at www.procarenetwork.com/hotelvideo.

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GPS coming to campus shuttles

Campus shuttle riders will be able to track shuttles in real-time next semester with the introduction of web-based GPS on all Jags Express shuttles. "Jags Express 2.0" will begin reducing uncertainty and long waits at the bus stop starting in January.

For more information, visit parking.iupui.edu.

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Returned Peace Corps volunteers sought

IUPUI is seeking information on returned Peace Corp Volunteers on campus for archival purposes. All IUPUI faculty, staff, or students who are also returned Peace Corps volunteer are asked to send their contact information (name, e-mail, position at IUPUI and Peace Corp country of service and years served) to Alicia Añino at alscampb@iupui.edu.

RPCVs may also indicate their interest in being added to the IUPUI-RPCV LISTSERV, Facebook page or planning committee for IUPUI-Peace Corps 50th Anniversary events.

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Scope will return Jan. 7

Due to the winter holidays, *Scope* will not publish Dec. 24 or Dec. 31. *Scope* will return to its regular publication schedule Friday, Jan. 7. Questions to scopemed@iupui.edu.

Additional submission guidelines at <u>scope.medicine.iu.edu/#submissions</u>. Have a safe and happy holiday, and a wonderful new year!

This Week on Sound Medicine

This weekend, Saturday, Dec. 18, and Sunday, Dec. 19, guests on the award-winning *Sound Medicine* radio show will discuss a smarter implementation of the PSA screening test and a proposed overhaul of the nation's food safety laws.

Sound Medicine co-host David Crabb will chat about prostate cancer screening methods with Andrew Vickers, PhD, of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. The problem with the old-standby test for prostate cancer, the PSA blood test, is that it can't reveal whether a cancer is fast-growing and dangerous or slow growing and less harmful.

Congress is poised to overhaul the nation's food safety system with new legislation that would give the FDA new powers to recall tainted foods, improve inspections, and keep a closer eye on farmers and food manufacturers. *Sound Medicine* host Barbara Lewis will get details on the proposed regulations from Erik Olson, director of Food and Consumer Product Safety Programs at The Pew Health Group.

The FDA does have authority to approve medical devices. Recently, the agency approved a couple of weight-loss gizmos called "fat zappers." Mayo Clinic researcher and endocrinologist Michael Jensen, MD, has tested the devices. Sound Medicine's Kathy Miller, MD, will ask him how they work and if he recommends using them.

Traveling with children over the holidays? Barbara Lewis will chat with child psychologist Fran Walfish, PhD, whose new book, *The Self-Aware Parent*, offers tips for families who want to greet the New Year with less kiddy drama.

Also this week, we'll hear from essayist Larry Cripe, MD, oncologist and medical director for palliative care at IU Hospital.

For more information on this show or archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, visit soundmedicine.iu.edu.

Sound Medicine is an award-winning radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1FM). Sound Medicine is underwritten by Clarian Health, IU Medical Group and IUPUI. Reports on Primary Health Care topics are sponsored by Wishard Health Services.

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IU Moi-AREP course development grants

Two \$5,000 summer stipends will be awarded to faculty members from any IU school to develop a syllabus for a specialized graduate elective course to be taught as part of the curriculum for the International Research Ethics Concentration of the Master of Arts program in Philosophy in the IU School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI.

This concentration is part of the Indiana University-Moi University Academic Research Ethics Partnership (<u>IU-Moi-AREP</u>), funded by a grant from the Fogarty International Center at the National Institutes of Health to the <u>IU Center for Bioethics</u>.

For more application details, see scope.medicine.iu.edu/files/AREPCourseDev2011.pdf. To apply, email a complete application to or Jason T. Eberl, PhD, graduate director in the Department of Philosophy at IUPUI, at jeberl@iupui.edu, by Friday, Jan. 28.

Questions to Eric M. Meslin, PhD, director of the IU Center for Bioethics, at emeslin@iupui.edu or Dr. Eberl, at jeberl@iupui.edu.

Indiana CTSI offers pilot funds — call for proposals

The Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute is accepting applications for its Collaboration in Translational Research Pilot Grant Program.

The purpose of the Indiana CTSI CTR pilot grant program is to foster and encourage collaborations between entities at the three CTSI partner institutions (IU, Purdue and Notre Dame) and to initiate or continue translational research projects that have the potential to develop into larger, externally funded research programs or generate novel intellectual property (IP).

Proposed projects should have participation by two (or more) principal investigators representing at least two of the sponsoring affiliates for this program. These include IUSM, IUPUI (non-IUSM, IU-Bloomington, Purdue University (West Lafayette) and the University of Notre Dame.

Submission deadline is **5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31**. Faculty from IU, Purdue, and Notre Dame are eligible to apply. To review detailed eligibility criteria by institution, see the <u>application guidelines</u>.

Applications must log in to obtain forms and to submit a proposal.

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Translational and clinical research grants available

The Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute is seeking applicants for predoctoral training awards and research fellowships in clinical and translational research:

- Predoctoral Training Awards in Translational Research are available to investigators with at least one year of a pre-doctoral training program and co-mentorship by faculty investigators from at least two different disciplines. Eligible applicants must be engaged in research that is translational in nature and takes advantage of the synergism that comes from working at this basic/clinical interface. Benefits include partial salary support, tuition and fees for required and elective coursework, pilot research monies and travel funds to attend the national CTSI young investigator meeting. Interested candidates should e-mail a CV to Colleen Gabauer, EdD, at cgabauer@purdue.edu. (Phone: 765-494-9256). Details at www.indianactsi.org/announcements/tgrant2011.
- Young Investigator Awards in Clinical-Translational Research are available to clinician-scientists with a doctoral degree or basic scientists with a PhD. Eligible candidates must be engaged in translational research that involves some component of human subjects research with high potential for early translation into impacting patient care. Funding is for two years, with the second year of funding contingent upon satisfactory progress. Benefits include a full stipend as well as health insurance and partial coverage of tuition and fees. Interested candidates should e-mail a CV to Donna Burgett at dburgett@regenstrief.org. (Phone: 317-630-7447). Details at www.indianactsi.org/announcements/kgrant2011.

Eligible candidates will be provided additional information regarding the formal application process. Applications must be submitted by **Thursday**, **Feb. 7**. Awards will begin July 1.

Signature Centers Initiative – call for proposals

The IUPUI Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research invites proposals for the Round 4 Signature Centers Initiative competition.

Initially implemented in 2006, the SCI was developed to create strong research units that are uniquely identifiable with IUPUI. The centers were created as an integral part of the Academic Plan for IUPUI, with the goal that they will lead the way in world-class research and creative activities that will substantially enhance IUPUI's reputation.

Submission deadline is **Friday**, **April 1**. To apply, visit <u>research.iupui.edu/funding</u>.

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Glick Eye Institute seeks local artists

Indiana artists or artists who trained in Indiana submit art will have the opportunity to display their art in the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Eye Institute, currently under construction on the IUSM campus at IUPUI, as part of a permanent installation in the new home of the IUSM Department of Ophthalmology.

The 77,000 square-foot building will include ophthalmology and optometry clinics on the ground floor as well as three floors for clinical and science research labs, physician office space, conference rooms and a library.

All art must depict or express vision, light, color, perspective and or reflection. Artists have until **Saturday, Jan. 15**, to submit their works for consideration.

Artists whose work is chosen for display in the building will be notified by Friday, Feb. 25, and will have until the end of May to complete their work. Art will be installed in June and July; the building will be dedicated during a ceremony on Friday, Aug. 19.

The full Request for Proposal, FAQs and renderings of the building and spaces where art can be displayed are available at www.glickeyeinstituteart.org.

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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

NIFS to offer mini-marathon training

The NIFS Mini-Marathon Training Program is a 14-week program for runners, walkers, beginners and seasoned racers, who are training for the 2011 Mini Marathon or Geist Half Marathon.

Weekly meetings from Wednesday, Jan. 26 to May 11 consist of group runs/walks, stretching and refreshments. All participants will receive a training schedule, program shirt, educational training clinic sessions, a discount at Runners Forum and a celebration pasta dinner.

To register, call 274-3432 ext. 222 or visit www.nifs.org/mini-training-program.

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Take the Polar Plunge

Special Olympics and Team IUPUI will participate in the Polar Plunge at Eagle Creek Reservoir Saturday, Feb. 26.

Interested individuals must raise a minimum of \$75 (\$50 for students) to participate in the plunge, during which participants will leap into the icy waters of the Eagle Creek Reservoir. Special Olympics is a not-for-profit organization that provides year-round sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, reaching nearly 10,000 athletes across Indiana. The Polar Plunge is Special Olympics' largest fundraising event and a great team building event.

Register for Team IUPUI at www.firstgiving.com/soindiana.

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At Your Fingertips

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.

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, Research II, Walther Hall (R3) and the Cancer Research Institute (R4).

Announcements from departments and offices are welcome. To have your department or office announcements posted on MedTV, please read the MedTV guidelines: 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 scopemed@iupui.edu
- mail the information to Kevin Fryling, 1110 W. Michigan, LO 401, 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)

To keep the electronic version of *Scope* as streamlined as possible, only seminars and lectures of general or multidisciplinary interest will be included.