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## **Top News**

# Peipert named chair of Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

Jeffrey F. Peipert, M.D., Ph.D., an obstetrician gynecologist and an expert in reproductive epidemiology, public health, sexually transmitted diseases, and family planning, has been named the new chair of the IU School of Medicine Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. His appointment is effective April 18.

Dr. Peipert is currently the Robert J. Terry Professor and Vice Chair of Clinical Research in OB/GYN at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, where he has helped departmental research funding grow to more than \$50 million in federal and foundation support. He has more than 200 peer-reviewed publications, including two recent reports in the *New England Journal of Medicine*. He has served as director of the general OB/GYN division, director of the OB/GYN residency program, and is currently co-director of the Fellowship in Family Planning at Washington University.

Dr. Peipert received his medical degree in 1986 from Emory University and completed residency training in OB/GYN at Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia. He then attended the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at Yale University where he completed a master's degree in public health in 1992. His first academic position was with Brown University/Women & Infants Hospital where he received his Ph.D. in epidemiology from the Department of Community Health in 2007.

An active clinician, educator, and administrator, Dr. Peipert has also served in leadership roles at the national level. He served on the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, the editorial board for the journal *Obstetrics and Gynecology*, and is the past president of the Infectious Diseases Society in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Peipert is currently on the editorial board of the journal *Contraception*, the deputy editor for Gynecology of the *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology* and serves on the Council of the American Gynecological and Obstetrical Society.

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# Ditch the tubes: Visual Media now offers academic posters on foldable fabric

The Office of Visual Media, a long-standing source for printing academic posters, is now offering fabric

printing. Convenient for packing and traveling, the fabric is foldable and virtually crease-free, with the same quality as traditional paper. Posters can be printed as wide as 48" and in any length.

Poster templates are available for downloading. In a time crunch? Call to see if same-day service is available.

Visual Media continues to offer graphic design, medical illustration, photography, and poster design/layout.

Email vismedia@iu.edu or call 317-274-7478@.

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### **Faculty and Staff News**

#### Sign up for Healthy IU wellness opportunities

Healthy IU is offering a variety of wellness opportunities for IU faculty and staff members during the spring semester. Here are the details on two upcoming programs:

#### **Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP)**

Wednesdays, Feb. 10 - June 1

11 am - noon

Do you want to lose weight? Are you at risk for type 2 diabetes? DPP is a 16-week, evidence-based group lifestyle change program designed to help participants lose weight and reduce their risk of developing type 2 diabetes. Classes are held in the IUPUI Campus Center. Register here.

#### Walk to Wellness

Tuesdays, Jan. 26 - May 17

11 - 11:30 am

If you have previously completed programs like Weight Watchers, Weight Talk, or Diabetes Prevention Program, Walk to Wellness offers continued support. The class meets in the IUPUI Campus Center. Register today.

Both programs are free for full-time IU faculty and staff and their spouses/partners on an IU-sponsored health plan.

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#### Reminders about 2016 HSA contributions

IU employees enrolled in a Health Savings Account (HSA) for 2016 should take note of a few dates:

• IU's contribution will be deposited into HSA accounts with the second paycheck in January. This is Jan. 29 for employees paid either bi-weekly or monthly.

• The minimum annual employee contribution of \$300 is required for enrollment, and the first deduction will be taken from the first paycheck in January. That was Jan. 4 for employees paid monthly and Jan. 15 for employees paid bi-weekly.

Additional information about the 2016 HSA is available online, or by contacting enews@iu.edu.

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### **Student News**

### Student loan exit interview sessions for fourth year students begin Feb. 6

Fourth year medical student federal student loan borrowers are required by the U.S. Department of Education to participate in an in-person exit interview prior to graduation. This applies to fourth year medical students borrowing under the following federal loan programs:

- Direct Loan (DL) Federal Stafford (Subsidized or Unsubsidized) Loan
- Direct Loan (DL) Federal Grad PLUS Loan
- Federal Perkins Loan
- Federal Primary Care Loan
- Federal Loans to Disadvantaged Students (LDS)

The Office of Medical Student Education will conduct three exit interview sessions in February as part of National Financial Aid Awareness Month. The two-hour sessions are scheduled based on the first letter of the participant's last name:

- A through G Saturday, Feb. 6; 10 am; Medical Science Building, Room B-26
- H through P Saturday, Feb. 13; 10 am; Medical Science Building, Room B-26
- Q through Z Saturday, Feb. 20; 10 am; Medical Science Building, Room B-26

For more information about the exit interview process, including interviews conducted by the IU Student Loan Administration, visit Medical Student Education.

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## Piscoya earns residency position at Walter Reed

Andres Piscoya, a fourth-year medical student at IU School of Medicine-South Bend, has earned one of two

ortho-surgery residency positions at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Piscoya is IUSM-South Bend's first four-year student to be placed in this highly competitive residency program.

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### IUSM-South Bend students present at national student-run clinic conference

Grace Conard, MSII, and Mark Fraser, MSIII/Ph.D., will attend the Society of Student-Run Free Clinics annual conference in Phoenix, Arizona, later this month. Conard will present on "Continuity of Diabetic Management in the Navari Student Outreach Clinic," which she co-authored with Fraser and Mark Fox, M.D., Ph.D., associate dean and director, IUSM-South Bend. Fraser will present on "Time Utilization in Goaldirected Service at the Navari Student Outreach Clinic," which he co-authored with Conard and Dr. Fox.

IUSM-South Bend students provide free medical care to low-income and uninsured residents at the Navari Student Outreach Clinic.

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## **Opportunities**

### Next accent modification course begins March 16

International medical professionals interested in improving verbal communication with patients and colleagues can enroll in the next Accent Modification course, which begins Wednesday, March 16. The course runs for 11 consecutive Wednesdays, from 5:15 to 7:15 pm, concluding May 25. Open to international faculty, post-docs, fellows, residents, medical students and nurses, the course is designed to empower participants with effective communication skills in the context of the American language and cultural norms.

Registration and more information are available on the Faculty Affairs and Professional Development website.

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### IUSM-West Lafayette collaborates with Purdue to host summer camp

Clinical Applications for Future Medical Professionals (CAMP) -- a summer camp for high school juniors and seniors -- will be held for the first time July 25 - 27 at Purdue University's West Lafayette campus. CAMP is a collaborative effort of the IU School of Medicine-West Lafayette and Purdue's College of Health and Human Sciences. Campers will take part in activities such as heart dissections, medical simulations, and exercise assessments.

"Since our move to the new Lyles Porter Hall in 2014, the opportunities for interprofessional partnerships with Purdue continue to develop," said Regina K. Kreisle, M.D., Ph.D., interim associate dean, IUSM-West Lafayette. "We are enthusiastic about CAMP and the opportunity to educate prospective future healthcare professionals."

More information and an enrollment form are available online.

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# **Partner News**

# Riley at IU Health re-certified as Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center

Riley Hospital for Children at Indiana University Health has been re-certified as a Level I Pediatric Trauma Center by the Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons. Riley at IU Health, the only Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center in Indiana, has retained continuous certification since 1995.

"Having board certified emergency medicine physicians and trauma surgeons immediately available around the clock means that we can provide the best possible outcomes for children suffering from unexpected injuries," said Paul Haut, M.D., interim president and chief medical officer for Riley at IU Health and associate professor of pediatrics, IUSM. "It is a great honor to know that when there is a Hoosier child in desperate need of trauma care, Riley at IU Health is the best -- and only -- place in the state that delivers this exceptional level of care."

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## Survey: Provide feedback for the Indiana CTSI website redesign

Are you a researcher, investigator, program manager or other user who interacts the Indiana CTSI website? In 2016, this site will undergo a redesign, with the goal of improving functionality and architecture to make it easier for users to quickly find information they need. The Indiana CTSI wants to hear your thoughts and suggestions on how the site can be improved, and which updates would be most useful to its users. Please click here to access the short survey that will take around five minutes to complete. Your responses will be anonymous.

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## **Around Campus**

### South Bend – Check out student reviews of area housing options

IUSM-South Bend students have developed a helpful resource for medical students looking for apartments in the South Bend area. The reference, 🔂 available in PDF form and updated about once a year, includes a list of local apartment complexes, contact and cost information, and apartment reviews from students.

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# Indy - Plan to attend these diversity-related events

#### The New Diversity Approach

Robert Winn, M.D., professor of medicine, associate vice president for health affairs and director of lung cancer, University of Illinois Cancer Center, University of Illinois College of Medicine, Chicago

Friday, Jan. 22; noon - 1 pm

Emerson Hall, 304

#### Meet Dr. Winn

The Department of Medicine will host an informal light breakfast with Dr. Winn on Friday, Jan. 22, at 8:30 am in Emerson Hall, 317. Medical students and residents are encouraged to attend. To register for the breakfast, call (317) 274-8438

#### Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership

Patricia Treadwell, M.D.

Monday, Jan. 25; 11:45 am - 1 pm

Fairbanks Hall, FS 5005

#### Muslim in America

Professor Edward Curtis

Thursday, Jan. 28; noon - 1 pm

Walther Hall, C303/305

For more information about these events and to register, visit IUSM Office of Diversity Affairs.

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# Indy - "Navigating the Crossroads of Bioengineering and Global Health"

The Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health will host a special presentation by Anusuya Das, Ph.D., "Navigating the Crossroads of Bioengineering and Global Health," on Feb. 10, 2016 at 10:30 am at the Regenstrief Health CEnter, RG-6040. The talk will explain why bioengineers' tools and technologies make them uniquely positioned to address of wide number of disease- and non-disease challenges in the field of global health.

Anusuya Das, Ph.D., is a biomedical engineer who is passionate about global health efforts. She received her Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2010. 🔂 Download the event flyer to learn more.

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