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► Prahlow named PM&R interim chair

Nathan Prahlow, MD, has been named interim chair of the IU Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation while a national search is conducted for a successor to Ralph Buschbacher, MD.

Dr. Buschbacher has served as interim chair and chair of the department for the past 10 years. He will remain on faculty continuing to see patients and pursuing other interests and commitments, including serving as medical director of the IU Center for Occupational Rehabilitation. He joined the IUSM faculty in 1997.

Dr. Prahlow joined the IUSM faculty in 2003. He is board certified in physical medicine and rehabilitation and his practice includes musculoskeletal medicine and electromyography. He and Dr. Buschbacher recently published a book on nerve conduction studies.

Dr. Prahlow is a graduate of Valparaiso University and IUSM, where he also completed his specialty training.

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► Deadline for Faculty ASR is Sept. 22

The 2008 Faculty Annual Summary Report (ASR) deadline for completion is Monday, Sept. 22. All regular faculty members who were active during the past academic year (2007-2008) are asked to complete this survey.

The website for the ASR is apps.iusm.iu.edu/asr.

Helpful information:

Question #1 – Course Instruction

To add a course that is not on the IUSM course list, search for the course first:

Click the "Add A New Course Association" button.

On the Course Search web page enter the course number into the IU Course Number field and then click the "Search" button. You will then be presented with the "Other" option and button. Enter the course number and name and then press the "Other" button.

The new course will be added and you may edit the course activity by clicking on the "View/Edit Course Activity for the Selected Course" button.

Question #8 – Grants Awarded Last Fiscal Year

This question is intended to list new and continuing grants and contracts awarded in the previous year. The section has been pre-populated with new and continuing awards for which you are identified as the principal investigator. This data is included

to assist you in identifying projects but is not intended to be exhaustive. Review, revise, and add any extramurally or internally funded new/continuing grants or contracts awarded in the previous year for which you are either the principal or a collaborating investigator.

The % FTE field should be filled in with the percent of effort committed to the grant when awarded. This field is not pre-populated; however, if you copy a previous year entry, the previous FTE percent will also be copied (and should be reviewed and corrected if needed).

Please contact the Office of Decision Support at 278-1352 or 278-6516, or you may e-mail finaff@iupui.edu if you have any problems or questions.

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› **Flu vaccines available for IUPUI faculty, staff, students**

IUPUI Health Services has received a shipment of 8,100 influenza vaccine doses to be given to IUPUI faculty, staff and students. The flu vaccination season starts in October and extends into January.

Unlike recent flu vaccine seasons, the supply of flu vaccine this year is not expected to be a problem. It is expected that 143 million doses of vaccine will be available in the United States this year. Because of the ample supply of vaccine, the CDC is not recommending any rationing of vaccine this year. In addition to people age 50 and older or with chronic diseases, the flu vaccine is recommended for all persons wishing to decrease their risk of influenza. The CDC considers health care workers a priority group for vaccination.

As in the past, IUPUI Health Services will provide free flu shots to IUPUI staff and faculty. In addition, IUPUI HS has ordered 4,600 flu vaccines doses to be given free to students on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Flu shots will be available at IUPUI Health Services (first floor of Coleman Hall) beginning Oct. 1. In addition, flu shots will be available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 16 and 17 in the atrium of the VanNuys Medical Sciences Building. Employees who want to make arrangements for an on-site flu clinic for their department should contact Carla Neuhausel, IUPUI HS nurse manager, at cneuhaus@iupui.edu.

All individuals requesting a flu shot will be required to complete a flu vaccine consent form and bring a university picture ID with them. Clothing that readily allows access to the upper arm will facilitate the process.

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› **Large crowd expected for Riley NICU reunion**

The Riley Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) Reunion will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 13, on the Union Lawn across West Drive from the Riley Outpatient Center.

More than 1,000 former Riley patients and their families will gather, reunite and share stories with NICU physicians, nurses, staff and other families. Patients range in age from 4 months to 25 years old. In addition to lunch and games, other activities will include a Fitness Zone offered by USA Gymnastics. Bridget Sloan, a 2008 silver medalist with the United States Olympic Gymnastics Team, will be signing autographs from noon to 1 p.m.

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› **AOA fall meeting**

The Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society annual fall election meeting will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, in the Ruth Lilly Learning Center, in the Riley Outpatient Center.

For additional information, email rfpatter@iupui.edu, or call 278-6302.

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› **Person-centered care focus of free program**

The IUSM Department of Public Health Distance and Continuing Education Program is hosting a free Public Health Café on the Person-Centered Care Approach to Public Health Care from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16.

Two local experts, LaDonna Jensen, RN, and Marilyn Hartle, MSW, will present how person-centered care translates into public health work. The meeting will be at the MAPHTC Training Center, 714 N. Senate Ave. Breakfast and networking will be offered. Can't attend in person? Join via live webstreaming.

To register for either option, visit www.publichealthconnect.org and click on "Live Programs." For more information, contact Kate Nicholson at katlnich@iupui.edu or 274-3175, or visit the website.

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» **Sept. 17: Dean's Grand Rounds, poster session and art exhibit**

The Dean's Grand Rounds and Scientific Session will begin at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, with presentations by Hal Broxmeyer, PhD, and Andrew Saykin, PsyD, in Myers Auditorium at Wishard Hospital. The special grand rounds program will conclude at 9 a.m.

From 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., faculty, fellows and students will exhibit their scientific posters in the atrium of Van Nuys Medical Science Building. In addition, for the first time, an exhibit of literary and visual artwork will be on display in conjunction with the annual scientific poster session. "Scientific Inquiry, Artistic Expression" will showcase the artistic expressions of 46 IUSM faculty, staff and students.

The Faculty Steering Committee selected the presentations on novel work that is being performed at IUSM.

During the grand rounds, Dr. Broxmeyer will discuss "Cord Blood Biology and Transplantation: Road to the Future." He is an IU Distinguished Professor; chair and Mary Margaret Walther Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, professor of medicine, and scientific director of the Walther Oncology Center.

Dr. Saykin will present "Brain Imaging, Gene Pathways and Cognition: Early Detection of Dementia and Biomarkers for Treatment Response." He is the Raymond C. Beeler Professor of Radiology, director of the IU Center for Neuroimaging, and professor of neurology and of clinical psychology in the Department of Psychiatry.

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» **Women's Health Noon Lecture Sept. 23**

John Stutsman, MD, assistant professor of clinical OB/GYN, will discuss "Contraception Update" at the Tuesday, Sept. 23, IU National Center of Excellence in Women's Health Noon Lectures Series. The lecture, which begins at noon, will be in the IU Cancer Research Institute auditorium.

The lecture is free and open to the public. A first-come-first-served lunch is provided, and continuing medical education credit is available.

For a complete list of this year's lectures, see www.iupui.edu/~womenhlt and click on "2008-09 Noon Lecture Series."

Questions? Please contact Tina Darling, associate director, at 278-2264 or tdarling@iupui.edu.

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» **JAMA editor to speak**

"Current Issues in Biomedical Publications: Facts and Friction" will be presented by Phil B. Fontanarosa, MD, MBA, executive deputy editor of JAMA, the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Dr. Fontanarosa will describe current challenges to the scientific integrity of medical publishing, elaborating about points raised in his recently co-authored article: "Impugning the integrity of medical science: The adverse effects of industry influence," JAMA. 299(15):1833-5, 2008 Apr 16.

The session, hosted by IUSM Dean's Office and the IU Department of Emergency Medicine, will be from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Sept. 24 with a Q&A session immediately following. This campus-wide grand round will be in the VanNuys Medical Science Building, room B26.

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» **Day of Caring set for Sept. 26**

The 2008 IUPUI Day of Caring, a United Way annual tradition, will take place from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26.

This year all faculty, staff and students will work together to assist a downtown neighbor, the White River State Park. This will be an intense day of outdoor work as volunteers will weed and clean up the park. For additional information and to register, visit the Web site: life.iupui.edu/ccl/volunteer/doc.html.

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» **Biostatistics for Health Care Providers: A Short Course**

The IUSM Division of Biostatistics will offer a short course on basic concepts of statistical methods commonly encountered in health-care literature from 1 to 5 p.m. Nov. 11, 12 and 13.

The course will be open to faculty, fellows and residents, as well as other interested students and staff. Enrollment will be limited to the first 30 registrants. See www.biostat.iupui.edu/Teaching/ShortCourse for a detailed brochure and registration form.

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» **Breast tissue donations to be banked for research**

Want to contribute to breast cancer research? Breast tissue samples will be collected for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Tissue Bank at the IU Simon Cancer Center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at Ology Spa at the Clarian North Medical Center, 11700 North Meridian St., Carmel.

A tissue sample will be taken from one breast with a needle and local anesthesia. The amount of tissue taken is about one gram (or the size of two peas).

To participate, women must:

- Be age 18 or older
- Sign an informed consent
- Be willing to give one hour of their time to complete a questionnaire and a breast biopsy
- Not be allergic to local anesthetics
- Not be receiving a therapeutic blood thinner (this does not include aspirin)
- Not have breast implants or have had a breast reduction

To register, visit www.komentissuebank.iu.edu or contact Casey Allen by phone at 274-0594 or by e-mail at calallen@iupui.edu.

By collecting samples from women with and without breast cancer, researchers will be able to determine the differences between these populations, which could lead to a better understanding of the disease. Samples taken from women without the disease are especially helpful because there are few collections of so-called "normal" specimens.

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» **JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes**

Students, staff and families are invited to join Team Riley Hospital & Clarian Health in the JDRF Walk to Cure Diabetes on October 18, 2008. Each year, the walk is sponsored by the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) to support diabetes research. JDRF is the world's leading research foundation aimed at finding a cure for Type I (juvenile) diabetes.

The 2-mile fun walk and 5k run/walk take place on Saturday, Oct. 18, at Military Park in downtown Indianapolis. There is no registration fee, but participants are encouraged to raise or donate at least \$100. To join Team Riley Hospital & Clarian Health as a walker or team captain, log on to walk.jdrf.org/register.cfm?id=87043169. For more information contact Olivia Huser at ohuser@clarian.org.

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» **Interested in playing in an orchestra?**

The IUSM is evaluating the possibility of forming an orchestra to include IUSM students, faculty, residents, fellows and staff. This could include small groups, a chamber orchestra, or a full orchestra. Weekly practices with several public performances during the year would be anticipated.

The next step is to determine how many might be interested and what the specific areas of interest might be. If this idea is of interest, please take a few minutes to complete the brief public survey on the Angel website at tinyurl.com/5meljd by **Friday, Sept. 19**.

Please note – if you completed the survey this past spring you do not need to complete the survey again.

For additional information or questions, please contact Steve Kirchhoff at skirchho@iupui or 274-8724.

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» **Honors**

Stacy Dixon, an MD/PhD candidate at IUSM, was one of 29 senior-level graduate students and early-career postdoctoral scientists who participated in the American Society for Microbiology Kadner Institute from July 19 to 23 at the University of Colorado. The Institute, developed in 2000 by the ASM Education Board Committee on Graduate and Postdoctoral Education, provides an opportunity for graduate students and postdoctoral scientists to explore key topics important for choosing and succeeding in a microbiology career.

The artwork of two IUSM faculty members will be featured from Aug. 29 to Oct. 5 at the Indianapolis Art Center. Blown glass made by **Jeff Rothenberg**, MD, (best of advanced students) and woodworking by **Lee McHenry**, MD, (best of beginning students) will be on display. The exhibit features the work of the Best of Student Show Award Winners. The center will host a reception from 5 to 10 p.m. Sept. 12, honoring the student exhibitors.

Gary Schmitt, a graphic designer in the IUSM Office of Visual Media, has returned from the August International Scooter Racing competition in the Netherlands with gold, silver and bronze medals. Schmitt, a member of Team FootbikeUSA, brought

home a world championship by placing first in the sprint competition. He also earned a second place in the criterium and third in the endurance marathon. A popular sport in Europe, Schmitt competes in the over-45 master's division. For more information, see www.indianapolismonthly.com/articleNew.aspx?id=25168.

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› **This week on Sound Medicine**

Tune in at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14, to *Sound Medicine*, the award-winning weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. The program is hosted by Barb Lewis.

This week, Indiana Health Commissioner Judith Monroe, MD, will join *Sound Medicine* to discuss what can be learned from the latest report on hospital errors.

David Flockhart, MD, PhD, chief of clinical pharmacology at IUSM, will explain a new "black box" warning the popular antibiotic, Cipro, now carries. Cipro has been linked to cases of tendinitis and tendon rupture.

Richard Borgens, PhD, director of the Center for Paralysis Research at Purdue University, will discuss a new polymer gel which could lead to a treatment for some head injuries. The gel might help repair ruptured brain cell membranes.

Brooke Billingsly, vice president of Perception Strategies for the American Medical Association, will discuss a proposal to endorse the use of "mystery shopper" patients to test the quality of services within hospitals and health-care facilities. The risks and benefits of bringing a consumer-oriented approach to medical care will be reviewed.

Weekly contributor Jeremy Shere has some ideas for kids' lunchboxes that are worthy of the *Sound Medicine* "Checkup."

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 and the IU Medical Group. Jeremy Shere's "Check-Up" is underwritten by IUPUI.

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› **Continuing Medical Education at your fingertips**

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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› **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.

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.

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.

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