The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology is pleased to introduce the incoming interns for the academic year of 2010-2011. Our new interns hail from various parts of the country and bring with them a variety of interests. Welcome to all.

Kelli Barbour  
University of California, San Francisco  
Hobbies: Scuba diving, crochet, genealogy, reading, travel, four-wheeling and music

Kashina Dawkins  
Duke University School of Medicine  
Hobbies: Reading French literature, travel, piano, tennis, professional basketball and global health interests

Allison Hensley  
University of Kentucky College of Medicine  
Hobbies: Running, dance, Pilates, skiing, travel and family time

Kareem Khozaim  
University of Cincinnati College of Medicine  
Hobbies: Tango dancing, sports, travel, Middle Eastern and East African politics and culture, peace and social justice issues

Nicole Kirby  
University of South Florida College of Medicine  
Hobbies: Running, swimming, dancing, reading, movies, traveling, socializing and learning Spanish

Holly Little  
Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine  
Hobbies: Running, knitting, quilting and reading

Anita Malone  
University of Michigan Medical School  
Hobbies: Scuba diving, traveling, reading and cooking

Kourtney Morris  
Indiana University School of Medicine  
Hobbies: Exercising, reading and traveling

Katie Towles  
Southern Illinois University School of Medicine  
Hobbies: Playing violin and piano, golf and reading

Catherine Wheatly  
Wayne State University School of Medicine  
Hobbies: Sewing, jewelry making, reading, singing, drawing, cooking, dancing, playing games and spending time with family, especially outdoors

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The Indiana Section Scientific Meeting & Huber Lecture will be held on April 21, 2010 at the Ritz Charles, Carmel, IN. The topic for this spring meeting is "Obstetrics...New Approaches to Old Problems."

The 2010 Huber Lecture will be given by Dr. Charles Lockwood, M.D. Anita O’Keeffe Young Professor of Women's Health and Chair, of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences - Yale University School of Medicine and the Chief, Obstetrics & Gynecology - Yale-New Haven Hospital. Dr. Lockwood is a leading expert in maternal-fetal medicine, specializing in pregnancy loss, preterm delivery and maternal thrombophilias, a blood-clotting disorder in pregnancy. Dr. Lockwood's research interests include the pathophysiology of recurrent pregnancy loss, the prediction of preterm delivery, and the mechanisms of abnormal endometrial bleeding. He is the senior editor of the CD-ROM and Internet-based textbook "Obstetrics: UpToDate" (2001) and has authored more than 205 journal articles, 50 book chapters and hundreds of abstracts. His writing and research have earned him awards from the Society of Perinatal Obstetricians, the Society of Maternal Fetal Medicine and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Dr. Lockwood joined the Yale faculty in 2002 as chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the School of Medicine. He serves as chief of Ob/Gyn at Yale-New Haven Hospital and is the director of the Yale Women’s Health Center. From 1998 to 2000, he was also acting director of the Kaplan Comprehensive Cancer Center at the NYU School of Medicine. Dr. Lockwood received his undergraduate education at Brown University and his M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He also has a Masters in Health Care Management from Harvard School of Public Health. He completed his residency at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital and holds a postdoctoral fellowship in maternal-fetal medicine from Yale-New Haven Hospital in 1987. Before joining the NYU faculty, he was at Tufts University School of Medicine and Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York, where he was director of perinatal research. He is the editor-in-chief of Contemporary Ob/Gyn and associate editor of the Journal of Maternal-Fetal & Neonatal Medicine. He has served on numerous national and state committees dealing with perinatal concerns. He completed his term as president of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation in March 2008. Dr. Lockwood will present “Evaluation and Management of Early Pregnancy Loss” at 11:05 a.m.
Each year in the U.S., more than 500,000 babies are born prematurely and an estimated 28,000 children die before their first birthday. In response to this national public health crisis, the National Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition (HMHB) is launching text4baby, a free mobile information service that provides pregnant women and new moms with information to help them care for their health and give their babies the best possible start in life. The Office on Women’s Health is a partner in this educational service.

One of the key elements in the Joint Commission’s evaluation is the reporting of performance measurements. Pregnancy and related conditions was one of the initial priority and focus areas for hospital core measurement development identified by the key Joint Commission stakeholders. In 2002, the Pregnancy and Related Conditions (PR) set was one of the initial sets of core measures implemented. In March of this year these measures were updated and renamed to the Perinatal Care Core Measure set.

The measures included in this group are:
- Elective Delivery Prior to 39 weeks: improvement is considered a decrease in the rate
- Cesarean Section Rate for Low Risk Nulliparous Patients
- Antenatal Steroid Use
- Health-Care Associated Bloodstream Infections in Newborns
- Exclusive Breast Milk Feeding at the time of discharge

These measures are similar and overlap with those required by other outside organizations such as Leapfrog Group and Anthem.

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Next Month – Elective Delivery

Elective Delivery:

a. Is when you and your doctor decide on a specific day for the delivery of your baby
b. Is when you are voted to deliver the Residents Day "commencement" speech
c. Is when the postman decides to deliver your mail on the weekend

Total Deliveries
February 2010

IU 62
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Our Vision and Values

In the Indiana University Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology we are leaders and advocates for women’s health care, education and research in the state of Indiana, with a strong regional and national presence. We provide a positive role model for other departments within IUSOM. We exemplify our values by:

a. honoring the diverse contributions of faculty and staff to our various missions
b. being a place where learners and teachers want to come and stay
c. possessing a collaborative, respectful, and trusting work environment
d. fostering a rich mentorship system
e. having fiscally sound, responsible, and transparent economic and decision-making policies
f. having a patient-centered focus in which patients are engaged as active partners in all aspects of care
g. using an evidence-based approach to patient conducting “cutting edge” basic, clinical and translational research
h. having a robust and comprehensive quality improvement system to continuously improve patient care

THIS AND THAT

The employee spotlight this month shines on Sherrece Benson, Senior Patient Care Tech in the Coleman Center for Women.

Sherrece is married to Andre Benson, and she has 3 children, Labron, 16, Symone, 11 and Nyla, 3. She enjoys scrapbooking, photography and activities with her family.

Sherrece has been with the Coleman Center for 6 years, but this fall she will start nursing school full time at Marian University, where she will work towards a B.S.N. degree. We will miss Sherrece, but her time in the department is much appreciated and we wish her the best in the future.

Dr. Richard Hansell was the Visiting Professor at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in Erie, Pennsylvania in November. He spoke with the students and members of the LECOM OB/GYN Club at the Student Center. They covered various topics including OB/GYN rotations for junior and senior students, residency requirements, residency interviews and life as an OB/GYN in private practice and academics. Dr. Hansell is pictured with 3 LECOM students (2nd from left is Allison Krug, Dr. Hansell’s stepdaughter) interested in OB/GYN.

Dr. Lee Learman, Chair of OB/GYN, has been asked to serve on the Editorial Board as an At-Large member for Obstetrics & Gynecology, popularly known as “The Green Journal,” which is the flagship journal in the field of OB/GYN. This prestigious 4-year appointment is an honor that not many people in the discipline ever attain.

It is a testament to the work and scholarship of Dr. Learman that his nomination was unanimously approved by the current editorial board. Congratulations to Dr. Learman. It is not only an honor for him personally but sends a very strong signal about our department as well.

Former resident, Dr. Ian Johnston, Class of 1992 and currently in private practice in Avon, IN, was in Haiti to lend a hand after the devastating earthquake. Attached is the link http://www.ianinhaiti.blogspot.com to his blog that chronicles his work in Haiti.

Many thanks to Dr. Johnston for giving of his time and skill to help those in need.

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