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### Top News

#### Jones named assistant dean for Graduate Medical Education

James H. Jones, M.D., professor of clinical emergency medicine, IU School of Medicine, has been selected as assistant dean for Graduate Medical Education (GME). Effective Dec. 1, Dr. Jones will lead a team of professional faculty and support staff to manage GME educational programs and provide oversight for the development and implementation of the statewide Resident-as-Teacher program. Dr. Jones will provide leadership in developing annual goals for GME, including the Medical Student Education programs relating to the Resident-as-Teacher program.

Dr. Jones is currently an active faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine and is immediate past president of the American Board of Emergency Medicine. During his distinguished career, Dr. Jones has been involved with medical education for both medical students and residents and is the recipient of numerous teaching awards.

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#### Plan to attend Nov. 18 Leo J. McCarthy, M.D., History of Medicine Lecture

The Leo J. McCarthy, M.D., History of Medicine Lecture Series presents "What Was So Special About Sir William Osler?" on Wednesday, Nov. 18, from noon to 1 pm, in the Ruth Lilly Medical Library, first floor, 975 W. Walnut Street. The presenter, Charles S. Bryan, M.D., MACP, FRCP (Edin.), is the Hayward Gibbes

Distinguished Professor of Internal Medicine Emeritus at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine and author of several books and articles on Osler.

A complimentary lunch will be provided beginning at 11:45 am.  [View the flyer](#) for more information.

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## Nov. 13 event to honor creation of John W. Brown Chair in Cardiothoracic Surgery

Plan to attend a special open house on Friday, Nov. 13, from 3:30 to 5 pm, to celebrate the establishment of the John W. Brown Chair in Cardiothoracic Surgery. The event will take place at Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health (take the glass elevators to the fifth floor breezeway).

John W. Brown, M.D., Harris Shumacker Professor Emeritus of Surgery, was chief of the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery at the IU School of Medicine for 20 years and continues to practice. This new endowed chair honors Dr. Brown and the program he helped to build.

Income from the permanent fund will support an active faculty member in the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery, while the remainder is reinvested in the endowment.

For more information, call 317-274-3620 or 800-249-4002.

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## Take part in nationwide survey focusing on Ruth Lilly Medical Library

To support improvements, the Ruth Lilly Medical Library is participating in a nationwide project to measure the effectiveness of library services and resources. The assessment is being done with a Web-based survey designed to assist libraries in soliciting, tracking, understanding and acting upon users' opinions of service quality.

The survey is for faculty, staff and students. Answers should focus on Ruth Lilly Medical Library even if other libraries, such as University Library or the law library are used more frequently.

[Click here](#) to complete the survey.

Response to the survey is anonymous. However, one Fitbit ChargeHR will be awarded to one randomly selected person in multiple categories.

Those wishing to participate in the random drawing can provide their IU e-mail address at the end of the survey. E-mail addresses are not linked to responses, yet are needed for the drawing for the Fitbit ChargeHR. Click the "Complete the Survey" button at the end of the survey to register the survey as complete.

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## Regenstrief's new Huffington Post blog explores big health data

Increasingly, health care is an information business. "[Regenstrief on Big Health Data](#)," a new blog from the Regenstrief Institute and Indiana University provides unique insights into how quality, efficiency, effectiveness and outcomes of care depend on grasping, understanding and using these data.

"The era of big health data is upon us," said [William Tierney, M.D.](#), president and CEO of the [Regenstrief Institute](#). "We hope this blog will enhance the understanding and appreciation of its role in health care today, and its promise for tomorrow." He is the author of the first blog post, "Big Health Data, Huge Opportunities."

"Regenstrief on Big Health Data," which is being published on Huffington Post, will explore big data and the opportunities it offers to improve individual and population health from a variety of perspectives.

Already more than 90 percent of U.S. hospitals and an estimated three-quarters of physicians are using electronic health records. Health information exchange, which enables health data to be used at the right time and the right place, is a national priority.

Big health data goes far beyond blood pressure readings or lab test values or the number of babies born in a geographic area. It is exponentially expanded information drilling down to the smallest health detail of the one or the many and makes that information securely available to clinicians, researchers, public health officials, policy makers and patients. Computers can analyze free text -- the narrative comments expressed in everyday language or technical terminology found in patient medical records -- or convey the findings of an imaging test, or prioritize health risks for an entire community.

"Health data are growing in an unprecedented manner in terms of volume and variety," said Titus Schleyer, D.M.D., Ph.D., director of the [Center for Biomedical Informatics](#) at the Regenstrief Institute. "Our main challenge is to make sense of it -- all the way from the individual patient to populations. Big health data are a huge opportunity for the healthcare system to learn day-by-day about what works and what doesn't."

Dr. Tierney and Dr. Schleyer, along with colleagues from the Regenstrief Institute's Centers for Biomedical Informatics, [Health Services Research](#) and [Aging Research](#), will be sharing their thoughts about the impact of big data on human health in the new blog.

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## Carroll exposes woes of nutrition research in recent NYT blog post

A recent study published in the [Journal of Nutrition](#) prompted news reports that said the study proved honey was no better than sugar as a sweetener, and high-fructose corn syrup was no worse. Baffling people on both sides of the sweetener debate, a closer look at the study's research methods uncovers why many myths about nutrition exist.

"Almost everything we 'know' is based on small, flawed studies. The conclusions that can be drawn from them are limited, but often oversold by researchers and the news media," says Aaron E. Carroll, M.D., IUSM associate dean for research mentoring and professor of pediatrics.

Read Dr. Carroll's full article on his UpShot column, The New Health Care, at [nytimes.com](#).

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## Zipes led group that wrote statement on new cardiology guidelines for athletes

**Douglas Zipes, M.D.**, distinguished professor emeritus of medicine, IU School of Medicine, co-chaired a group charged with writing the joint American Heart Association/American College of Cardiology statement outlining new recommendations permitting participation in competitive sports for some athletes diagnosed with **Long QT syndrome** and others who have implanted devices that regulate heart rhythm. Long QT syndrome is a condition that can result in delayed electrical recovery of the heartbeat. Read more at [Medical Xpress](#).

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## Faculty and Staff News

### IU open enrollment begins Nov. 9

Open enrollment for 2016 benefits runs Monday, Nov. 9, through Friday, Nov. 20. Full-time employees should have received the booklet for this once-a-year opportunity to change certain benefit plans or to enroll for the first time. Information is also available online:

- [Open enrollment website](#)
- [Attend an info session](#)
- [Watch a webinar](#)
- [Estimate your paycheck deductions](#)
- [Contact human resources](#)

The deadline for 2016 Open Enrollment is Nov. 20. Enrollments must be received by University Human Resources on or before this date.

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### Harris is co-chair of first international glaucoma conference in Milan

**Alon Harris, M.S., Ph.D.**, director of clinical research, Letzter Professor of Ophthalmology and professor of cellular and integrative physiology, IU School of Medicine, developed and co-chaired the inaugural glaucoma congress, The International Congress of Advanced Technologies and Treatments for Glaucoma. The event took place last week at the Politecnico di Milano in Milan, Italy.

Giovanna Guidoboni, professor, IU Department of Mathematics, and close collaborator with Dr. Harris on many research projects, including several NSF-funded investigations and numerous high-impact publications, was one of three committee members who helped organize the congress.

The first worldwide congress bringing together the fields of medicine, biology, clinics, therapeutics, engineering and mathematics included presentations and discussions on the latest developments and achievements in the field of glaucoma. View photos from the congress online at [glaucomacongress.com](http://glaucomacongress.com).

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## Opportunities

### Apply for Indiana CTSI Young Investigator Awards

The Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute seeks applicants for the CTSI Young Investigator Awards in Clinical-Translational Research. The awards are designed to provide promising junior investigator faculty with the opportunity to be mentored in research-intensive multidisciplinary settings toward the goal of developing careers in clinical-translational research.

Clinical research includes epidemiological studies, clinical trials or other investigations involving human subjects. Translational research consists of either “T1 research” (interface of basic science to human studies) or “T2 research” (interface of human studies to the community).

Benefits include partial salary support, as well as tuition and fees for required and elective coursework, pilot research monies and travel funds to attend the national CTSI young investigator meeting.

Applications must be submitted by Jan. 18, 2016. For details on eligibility and the application process, visit the [Indiana CTSI](#) website. Questions? Contact Donna Burgett at [dfburget@regenstrief.org](mailto:dfburget@regenstrief.org).

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### NIH proposal writing workshop is Dec. 4

Need help preparing National Institutes of Health proposals? Plan to attend the Writing/Designing Winning NIH Proposals Workshop on Friday, Dec. 4, 8:30 am to 5 pm, on the IUPUI campus. The workshop will provide valuable information on:

- Reading and interpreting RFAs
- Determining the right mechanism for your research idea
- Building an airtight case for funding
- Understanding the scoring and review process
- Submitting proposals that reach the top of competitions

The workshop fee is \$375 per person, and there is a discount for groups. Online workshops are also available. For more information or to register, visit the [Grant Training Center](#) website or call 866-704-7268.

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## Kudos

### Wilkes receives President's Medal for Excellence

IU President Michael A. McRobbie recently presented the President's Medal for Excellence to David Wilkes, M.D., former associate vice president for research and executive associate dean for research affairs at IU School of Medicine. The President's Medal for Excellence is the highest award that an IU president can bestow and recognizes, among other criteria, distinction in public service; service to IU; and extraordinary merit and achievement in the arts, humanities, sciences, education or industry.

Earlier this year Dr. Wilkes became dean of the University of Virginia School of Medicine after more than two decades as an accomplished physician-researcher and IU administrative leader. For more details about the Oct. 13 event, including other honorees, visit the [IU Newsroom](#).

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## Around Campus

### Gary – IU Northwest to host Careers in Health Care Seminar

High school students with aspirations to become doctors or those exploring possible careers in health care will benefit from the Careers in Health Care seminar at IU Northwest on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 9 am to noon.

Attendees will find out how to become a doctor in eight years at IU Northwest; learn about training for careers in pharmacy, physical therapy, optometry and more; speak with current students about their experiences; and learn about undergraduate scholarship opportunities.

For more information or to register, call 219-980-6991 or visit [iun.edu/visit](http://iun.edu/visit).

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### All – Show your style during PPE Fashion Week

To promote the proper use of personal protective equipment (PPE), IU Environmental Health and Safety is sponsoring PPE Fashion Week on social media beginning Monday, Nov. 9. Send photos of how you use and wear PPE correctly to [traljame@iu.edu](mailto:traljame@iu.edu) or tag @protectIU on Twitter, Facebook or Instagram. Photos should be submitted by Friday, Nov. 6, and the top three photos will appear on the Protect IU home page.

 [View the flyer](#) for more information.

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## Partner News

### Eskenazi Health Center to host Family Fun Fest Nov. 14

Enjoy music, face painting, health screenings and more at the 10th annual Eskenazi Health Center Pecar Family Fun Fest on Saturday, Nov. 14, from 9 am to 1 pm, at the Eskenazi Health Center, 6940 N. Michigan Road. A limited number of free flu shots will be available, and healthcare professionals will be on hand to answer questions and administer free health screenings. For more information, call 317-266-2901.

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