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## **Neurology clinic to move; dedication slated for August**

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### **The dedication and open house for the new center will be August 22**

The Department of Neurology is moving its outpatient clinical program into new quarters early next month. The clinic will be named after Mark L. Dyken, MD, who served as chairman of neurology for 23 years.

The Mark L. Dyken, MD, Neurology Outpatient Center will consist of the new neurology clinic and the electroencephalogram, evoked potentials and electromyography labs. The EEG, EP and EMG labs opened July 21. The neurology clinic is scheduled to open to patients on Aug. 4. The EEG, EP and EMG labs will be located on University Hospital's first floor in room 1711. The outpatient clinic will be next door in room 1710.

The opening of the clinic is the culmination of many, many hours of work and planning by many members of the department, said Jose Biller, MD, chairman of the Department of Neurology. The combination of patient programs into a single clinic will provide patients easier access and more comprehensive treatment. Our patients will further benefit because physician consultations with colleagues will be more readily accessible.

Biller and the department will host a neurology CME program Aug. 22 and 23, inviting referring physicians and area physicians to see the clinic. The neurology clinic hours will be Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a resident present at all times. The medical director for the clinic will be Allison Brashear, MD.

The EMG director will be John Kincaid, MD, and the EEG-EP director will be Omkar Markand, MD.

The dedication will take place Aug. 22 with the open house and tours beginning at 3 p.m. The dedication ceremony is scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Dyken served as department chairman from 1971 to 1994. Dr. Dyken is a graduate of IU, where he received both his bachelor's and medical degrees.

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## **Burdine honored**

This year's roster of influential women in Indianapolis includes Vicki Burdine, MD, CEO of Indiana University Medical Group/Specialty Care Inc., the largest physician group practice in central Indiana. For the second year, Indianapolis Business Journal and The Indiana Lawyer identified women who have succeeded in their careers and exert influence in the community at large. IBJ and TIL also want to draw attention to the special challenge women face in the upper echelons of the business and professional world.

Dr. Burdine was the only physician recognized this year. Her success as a geriatric psychiatrist; president of IU Psychiatric Management, a managed-care program to cover illnesses of depression; and as CEO of IUMG/Specialty Care were noted in a special supplement to IBJ and TIL and during a special luncheon honoring the women recognized in the publications.

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## **Grant awarded**

Jeffrey Wagner, MD, assistant professor of surgery, \$790,000 four-year NCI research grant. The funding will be used for studies designed to determine the role of PET imaging in the surgical management of melanoma. The studies will be conducted through the Interdisciplinary Melanoma Program.

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## **Charles Slemenda dies suddenly**

Charles William Slemenda, DrPH, died Thursday, July 17, of an apparent heart attack while running on the grounds of White River State Park. He was 46.

Funeral services were in his hometown of Pittsburgh and a memorial service was held in Indianapolis at St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

Dr. Slemenda was named a full professor July 1. A specialist in epidemiology, he joined IUSM as an assistant scientist in the Department of Medicine on July 1, 1985. He was promoted to assistant professor Jan. 1, 1991, and associate professor on July 1, 1993.

Two days before his death, Dr. Slemenda's collaborative study, "Quadriceps Weakness and Osteoarthritis of the Knee," was published in the *Annals of Internal Medicine*.

He held a bachelor's degree in physics, and an MPH and DrPH, all from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Slemenda is survived by his wife, Marilyn Philips Slemenda; a daughter, Lauren; a son, Robert; his parents, Robert and Mary Coleman Slemenda; one brother and four sisters.

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## In Print

Recent textbooks from our faculty:

*Localization in Clinical Neurology*, Third Edition, by Paul W. Brazis, MD, Joseph C. Masdeu, MD, and Jose Biller, MD, Third Edition, Lippincott-Raven.

*Practical Neurology*, edited by Jose Biller, MD, Lippincott-Raven.

*100 Maxims in Neurology: Meningitis*, by Karen L. Roos, MD, Arnold.

*Gene Transfer in the Cardiovascular System*, edited by Keith March, MD, PhD, Kluwer Academic Publishers.

*Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, Randall L. Braddom, MD, editor, WB Saunders Co.

*Regional Anesthesia; An Atlas of Anatomy and Techniques*, illustrations by George J. Sheplock, MD. The book was named the best new book in clinical medicine in 1996

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## IU specialties ranked in US News guide

Indiana University Medical Center and Methodist Hospital were listed among the top hospitals in the U.S. News & World Report's "1997 America's Best Hospitals Guide."

Methodist was included in the annual rankings for the first time. This was the fifth time IUMC has been

included in the eight years the rankings have been released.

IUMC maintained its inclusion in the guide in five clinical programs: cancer (12th), gastroenterology (16th), otolaryngology (28th), rheumatology (24th) and urology (14th). The medical center increased its visibility nationally with inclusion in three additional clinical programs: cardiology (25th), neurology (40th), and gynecology (23rd).

Methodist was ranked 24th in urology and 32nd in otolaryngology

The guide assesses 17 specialties and ranks 42 hospitals per specialty. For this issue, the guide assessed specialties at 1,800 hospitals nationwide and 135 hospitals scored high enough to be ranked this year.

Rankings are developed by surveys of a geographical cross-section of 150 board-certified specialists in each of the 17 specialties. The 2,550 physicians involved in the survey process are asked to nominate the top five hospitals in their specialty. Results from 1995, 1996 and 1997 are pooled for an overall ranking. Hospital rankings also are based on criteria directly related to patient care, such as nursing adequacy.

The guide will appear in the July 28 issue, which also can be accessed online at [www.usnews.com](http://www.usnews.com).

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## **Clark receives diabetes award**

Charles M. Clark, MD, professor of medicine and pharmacology and co-director of Regenstrief Institute, is the first recipient of the \$5,000 Boehringer Mannheim/The Zitter Group Diabetes Disease Management Leadership Award.

Dr. Clark is being honored for his outstanding work in the field of diabetes research and education. He currently is serving as the chairman of the Diabetes National Education Program.

Dr. Clark was chosen from nearly 100 applicants for helping to close the gap between what has been discovered in the research labs about diabetes and what is being applied by physicians in a clinical setting.

He has been a leading contributor to several diabetes-related organizations, including the Diabetes Research and Training Center, the American Diabetes Association and the National Diabetes Education study. He also is the chairman for the design and selection committee for the Diabetes Control and Complications Trial.

Dr. Clark was presented the award July 21 at the third annual Outcomes & Disease Management of Diabetes Conference in San Francisco.

## **Faculty member serves as expert on Discovery Channel**

Elizabeth Bowman, M.D, associate professor of psychiatry, was one of the commentators on a Discovery Channel show based on the real-life case that was the basis for the movie “The Exorcist.”

The show, entitled In the Grip of Evil, aired Sunday, July 20.

Dr. Bowman appeared on the show to present a scientific and psychiatric explanation for the actions of the child whose 1949 exorcism was documented in a priest’s diary and later led to the 1993 book “Possessed” by Thomas B. Allen. Allen also presented commentary during the program.

In addition to her medical degree, Dr. Bowman holds a degree in theology from the Christian Theological Seminary.

The hour-long show was taped in December.

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