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## **Pager numbers have changed**

Just a reminder that all IUSM pagers beginning with the numbers 212 are no longer active. The new 312 and 310 pagers went into effect at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9.

To page individuals, call the campus paging operator at 274-5000. If you are experiencing problems with your pager, contact Sheila Chadwick at 274-3551 or Karen Katzenmeyer at 278-4563.

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## **Daniel Evans named interim CEO for Clarian Health Partners**

Daniel F. Evans Jr., will serve as the interim chief executive officer of Clarian Health Partners until a permanent candidate is selected to succeed William Loveday, who has retired.

Evans is a senior partner at Baker & Daniels law firm. He has served as chairman of the Clarian Health Partners Board of Directors since June 2000, and on the Clarian board since its 1997 formation. He previously served on and chaired the Methodist Hospital Board of Directors, and represents the fourth generation of his family to be actively involved with Methodist Hospital.

"Clarian Health Partners is a unique and preeminent organization in the view of many health care leaders across the country, and I want to help retain this reputation," says Evans. "Clarian has unlimited potential and resources to achieve even more. I am fortunate to be involved with Clarian and our city is fortunate to have one of the most talented groups of physicians and staff available."

"In the interim, I want to maintain the focus on delivering the best care to our patients and providing an ideal place for physician and staff to deliver the highest quality of medicine and fulfilling the Clarian mission and values. It is essential to Clarian's success that we continue to strengthen our partnerships with the Indiana University School of Medicine, the Methodist Specialty Physicians, Riley Memorial Association and the Methodist Health Foundation, and remain dedicated to all of the Clarian affiliates across the state."

While the search is underway, Evans will work with a leadership team consisting of existing Clarian Health Partners senior executives. The leadership team will generally report to Evans through Chief Operating Officer David J. Handel, with two exceptions, Chief Financial Officer Marvin Pember and General Counsel Norm Tabler who will report directly to Evans as well.

During the interim, Thomas W. Chapman, along with William Loveday, will provide significant consultation to Evans and Clarian Health Partners.

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## **A Moment for Patient Safety and Quality Health Care**

*Eleventh in a series*

By Herbert E. Cushing, M.D.

## **Antimicrobial Catheters Yield Clinical and Economic Advantage for Selected Patients**

Studies show that of patients in whom standard, non-coated central venous catheters are in place for eight days, 5 percent will develop catheter-related bloodstream infection (CR-BSI). Mortality attributable to CR-BSI is estimated at 4 percent to 20 percent. The effectiveness of maximum barrier precautions during catheter placement was described in an earlier Moment for Patient Safety.

A second strategy is the use of central venous catheters coated with antimicrobial agents, including chlorhexidine/silver sulfadiazine and minocycline/rifampin. A statistically significant decrease in the incidence of CR-BSI has been reported with the use of chlorhexidine/silver sulfadiazine-treated catheters for short-term (2 to 10 days) catheterization. Likewise, there were fewer infections in patients in whom the minocycline/rifampin-coated catheters were placed, short-term. Finally, there was a "significant and clinically important" reduction in the rate of CR-BSI with the use of the minocycline/rifampin catheters over the chlorhexidine/silver sulfadiazine catheters.

Cost-effectiveness has been documented for the chlorhexidine/silver sulfadiazine catheters: reduced infection rates account for a cost saving of approximately \$200 per catheter despite the higher cost of the device. Cost studies are still needed for the minocycline/rifampin catheters, which cost about \$9 more than the chlorhexidine catheters.

Two risks must also be taken into account. First, although there have been no reports of hypersensitivity reaction with the use of chlorhexidine/silver sulfadiazine catheters in the U.S., a number of such reports have come from Japan. Second, the concern has been raised that the use of antimicrobial catheters could lead to increased antimicrobial resistance. To date, no evidence of increased resistance has been found.

Thus, evidence supports for short-term the use of antimicrobial central venous catheters in patients at high risk for infection (critically ill or immunosuppressed).

See [www.ahrq.gov/clinic/ptsafety/chap16a.htm](http://www.ahrq.gov/clinic/ptsafety/chap16a.htm), subchapter 16.2

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*This is the last of eleven practices identified by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's Evidence-based Practice Centers as a "clear opportunity for improvement." Through a critical study of recent literature and clinical trials, these practices were found to have the greatest positive impact on patient outcomes, with the least downside risk, including cost, of the 79 practices studied.*

## **Don't miss your chance to *Dunk A Dean* - mark your calendar**

On Sept. 12, the IUSM kick-off for the United Way Campaign will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the front lawn of Fesler Hall. The event, *Dunk A Dean for Charity*, will involve IUSM deans, department chairs and, yes, even an attorney and the person charged with reviewing department budgets - including salary increases.

That, however, is not the best part. Pledges collected for the event will be directed to the Kenya Foundation Humanitarian Fund, supporting the IU-Moi Partnership.

Additional information, including the time your favorite "dunkee" will be in the "wet seat," will follow in future issues of *Scope*.

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## **People Mover update**

The new stage of People Mover construction tentatively scheduled for July 18 will begin Aug. 12. The guideway structure (the large beams that connect the pylons) will be erected from the Hardee's Restaurant located on 11th Street to Indiana Avenue.

The City of Indianapolis has mandated that People Mover beam construction for this stage take place at night between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. During the night erection work, detours will be in place to direct traffic flow. Police will be available as needed to direct and ease traffic flow.

During daytime hours, westbound 11th Street and southbound University Boulevard between 10th Street and Indiana Avenue will remain open with a minimum single lane of traffic in each direction. However, northbound University Boulevard between Indiana Avenue and 10th Street and eastbound 10th Street between northbound University and Paca Street will be closed from Aug. 12 until completion. Detours will be in place for northbound University Boulevard and eastbound 10th Street traffic.

Access will be maintained for the YMCA, Campus Apartments, and the Lockfield Commons Area.

For questions or concerns, please contact  
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## Nominees sought for Spirit Award

It's not too late to nominate an extraordinary employee for the IUPUI Staff Spirit Award. The IUPUI Staff Council Spirit Award recognizes employees who through extraordinary service and special (professional, team or volunteer) contributions exemplify the spirit of IUPUI, strengthening IUPUI by fostering collegiality, cooperation, creativity and innovation toward the end of helping IUPUI become one of the nations' best urban universities for employment and education.

To nominate an individual or group, complete the nomination and narrative forms. Entries can be submitted on-line at [www.iupui.edu/~scouncil/spirit1.html](http://www.iupui.edu/~scouncil/spirit1.html). Entries also may be submitted in written form. Both forms should then be submitted to the Staff Council Office, room 403, Union Building.

The deadline for entries is **Thursday, Aug.15.**

The "spirit" of IUPUI is demonstrated through one's attitude, acts of loyalty, teamwork, and contribution to the mission, goals and strategic initiatives of the University. The Staff Council Spirit Award will be presented to the staff member or team who most exemplifies that spirit.

The IUPUI Staff Council Spirit Award is open to all IUPUI/IUPUC staff members, hourly or full-time, and/or teams who contribute to the overall mission and success of the University.

All nominees for the Spirit Award will receive a letter of notification that they have been nominated for the award. The award recipient(s) will receive a letter of congratulations and the appropriate supervisor(s) will be notified. Winners will receive their awards at the Employee Recognition Ceremony from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 30 in the University Place Conference Center.

The IUPUI Staff Spirit Award is sponsored by the IUPUI Staff Council and administered by the

## Rewards and Recognition Committee.

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### Parity symposium accepting registrations

The University of Illinois at Chicago National Center of Excellence in Women's Health is hosting a symposium "Beyond Parity: Transforming Academic Medicine Through Women's Leadership" to examine leadership issues for women faculty in academic medicine. The symposium will be Monday, Sept. 23, in Chicago.

There is a \$50 registration fee and no refunds will be made after close of registration **Friday, Aug. 23**. A registration form is available online at [tiger.uic.edu/orgs/womenshealth/beyondparity.htm](http://tiger.uic.edu/orgs/womenshealth/beyondparity.htm). To register, return the completed form by Aug. 23, via fax or mail to:

UIC Center for Research on Women and Gender  
Beyond Parity  
1640 W. Roosevelt Road, Room 503,  
Chicago, IL 60608-6900  
phone: 312-413-1924 fax: 312-413-7423

The conference hotel is The House of Blues, 333 N. Dearborn St.

The program is jointly sponsored by the Office on Women's Health, Region V, US Department of Health and Human Services. Co-sponsors are the Indiana University National Center of Excellence in Women's Health, University of Michigan National Center of Excellence in Women's Health, University of Wisconsin Center for Women's Health and the Brody School of Medicine at East Carolina University.

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### Research education courses available

A list of research education courses planned for the 2002-03 academic year can be found at [www.iupui.edu/~resgrad/spon/workshopcontent.htm](http://www.iupui.edu/~resgrad/spon/workshopcontent.htm).

The grant writing seminar is being repeated this year because of the positive interest and response received from those who attended last year's course. In addition, there are smaller grant writing and funding seminars available through Research and Sponsored Programs.

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## Scientific Session for faculty

The Indiana University School of Medicine is hosting a Scientific Session **Wednesday, Sept. 18.**

All IUSM faculty are encouraged to submit an abstract for the poster session - either directly at [www.iupui.edu/~iusmss/home.html](http://www.iupui.edu/~iusmss/home.html), or by hard copy to Maureen Harrington, PhD, Walther Oncology Center, R4-302.

The calendar of the day's events include:

7:45 a.m.- 9 a.m.	Dean's Sponsored Grand Rounds	Myers Auditorium, Wishard Hospital
7:45 a.m.	Welcome from Dean Craig Brater	
8 a.m.	Mark Kelley, Ph.D.	"Therapeutic Applications of DNA Repair Targets"
8:30 a.m.	Bruce Molitoris, M.D.	"Functional Significance of Actin Cytoskeletal Alterations in Ischemic Cell Injury"
10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Poster Session for School of Medicine Faculty	VanNuys Medical Sciences Building Atrium
11:00 a.m. - 1 p.m.	Poster Session - Presenters will be present.	

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## Honors

**Stephen D. Allen, MD**, was installed as president of the Anaerobe Society of the Americas at its 6th Biennial Congress held in Park City, Utah, June 29 to July 2. He will serve a two-year term. The Anaerobe Society of America is an international group of researchers, clinicians and others who have are interested in anaerobic bacteria and anaerobic infections. Dr. Allen is professor of pathology and laboratory medicine at IUSM and director of clinical microbiology for Clarian Health Partners. He also is director of the Disease Control Laboratory Division of the Indiana State Board of Health.

**Howard Edenberg, PhD**, Chancellor's Professor and professor of biochemistry and molecular biology and of medical and molecular genetics, has been named to the National Advisory Council on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism by Tommy Thompson, secretary for Health and Human Services. His four-year term started May 1. Dr. Edenberg participated in the 100th meeting of the Council in early June.

**Hugh Hendrie, MBChB**, has been awarded the Faculty of Medicine's first Doctor of Science in Medicine degree July 5 from his alma mater, the University of Glasgow. Dr. Hendrie received his degree, the United Kingdom's equivalent of the MD degree, in 1958. In recognition of the results generated by the Indianapolis-Indiana dementia project he was awarded the honorary degree during ceremonies July 5.

**Clement McDonald, MD**, is the recipient of the Association of Medical Directors of Information System's Achievement Award. The award was presented during the group's annual Physician-Computer Connection symposium July 17-19 in Ojai, Calif. Dr. McDonald is director of Regenstrief Institute, Regenstrief Professor of Medical Informatics and a distinguished professor

**Sudha Shankar, MD** is the 2002 recipient at IUSM of the First Annual Pfizer Scholars in Endocrinology Grant Program. The award honors outstanding physicians for important contributions to research and patient care in endocrinology.

**Leah Kim Sieck, MS3**, has received a Continuing Fellowship Award from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute-National Institutes of Health Research Scholars Program. This program enables students to pursue biomedical research during medical school years. Last year, Ms. Sieck did molecular biology research at the NIH's Department of Radiation Oncology in Bethesda, Md.

**Steve Bogdewic, PhD**, professor and vice chair of Academic Affairs in the Department of

Family Medicine and assistant dean for Primary Care Education at IUSM, has participated in the Department of Health and Human Services 2002 Secretary's Primary Health Care Policy Fellowship. He was nominated to serve as a fellow by the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine.

**Ruben Sandoval, MS, Jeffrey Clendenon and Kenn Dunn, PhD**, received a runner up in the Bio-Rad and Journal of Cell Biology image competition awards. The winners were announced in May. The IUSM team submitted a two-photon image of triple labeled rat kidney.

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## Research and Sponsored Programs orientation

Research and Sponsored Programs is hosting a orientation for new and returning faculty from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., **Friday, Aug. 16**, in the IUPUI University Library auditorium.

"Focus on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity" will present an overview of research support services available on campus, discuss key steps for developing and submitting sponsored funding proposals and review research compliance issues.

For additional information or to RSVP, e-mail [rspinfo@iupui.edu](mailto:rspinfo@iupui.edu), or call 274-8285.

To receive timely research related information each month, e-mail [RSPCommu@iupui.edu](mailto:RSPCommu@iupui.edu) to subscribe to the R&SP Communicator newsletter.

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## Indiana University School of Medicine Grants & Awards

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Project Director	Agency Grant Number Agency Type	Award Type	Title	Start/Stop	Total Award

David B. Burr	NIH- NIAMS	Continuing/Competing Instruction	Musculoskeletal Training Grant	5/01/02 4/30/03	\$291,309
Frank A. Witzmann	Air Force Office of Scientific Research	New Research	DURIP 2002, Protemics by Tandem Mass Spectrometry	6/01/02 5/31/03	\$383,293
Bruce A. Molitoris	NIH- NIDDK	New Research	Center for Advanced Renal Microscopic Analysis	6/01/02 5/31/03	\$1,042,006
Cheong- Hee Chang	American Heart Association	New Research	Class II transactivator and Fas ligand mediated cell death	9/01/01 12/31/01	\$20,057
Naval Sondhi	Oregon Health Science	New Research	Phase IV Outcome Study of Cryotherapy and Retinopathy of Prematurity	6/04/02 8/31/02	\$16,578
Jill R. Murrell	University of California	New Research	Genetic Testing of At-Risk Members of Families with Mutations Causing Early- Onset Alzheimer's Disease	11/01/01 10/31/02	\$6,373

David G. Skalnik	NIH-NHLBI	New Research	Role of Rac2 in Development and Function of Blood Cells	4/22/02 3/31/03	\$1,304,195
Joseph A. Dimicco	NIH-NIMH	New Research	The Dorsomedial Hypothalamus and Responses to Stress	6/01/02 5/31/03	\$356,171
Jay R. Simon	Scripps Research Institute	New Research	Excessive Alcohol Consumption and Neural Adaptations in the Extended Amygdala	9/28/01 8/31/02	\$55,868
Richard J. Thielen	Scripps Research Institute	New Research	Serotonergic Response to Ethanol Administration in the Central Nucleus of the Amygdala in P and NP Rats	9/28/01 8/31/02	\$56,000
Mark J. Lowe	Whitaker Foundation	Continuing/Competing Research	Functional Mapping with fMRI Using Physiologic Noise	5/01/02 4/30/03	\$80,000

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## Scientific Calendar online

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at

[www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar/](http://www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar/). To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at [imsewell@iupui.edu](mailto:imsewell@iupui.edu).

To keep the electronic version of *Scope* as streamlined as possible, only seminars and lectures of general or multi-disciplinary interest will be included.

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## Submissions to Scope

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- fax the information to 278-3502
- e-mail the information to [mhardin@iupui.edu](mailto:mhardin@iupui.edu)
- mail the information to Mary Hardin, LO 401, IUPUI
- paste your plain text message into Scope Web form on the IUSM faculty & staff page: <http://medicine.iu.edu/faculty/index.html>

Contributions submitted by e-mail should be forwarded in 12 point, plain text format.

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