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New faculty orientation Tuesday afternoon

Orientation for new faculty begins 1 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 21 in Emerson Hall Auditorium. On tap for the afternoon:

1:00 – 1:15 p.m. Welcome & Introduction	Stephen P. Bogdewic, PhD Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Professional Development
1:15 – 1:45 p.m. Research Infrastructure & Support	Sharon M. Moe, MD Associate Dean for Research Support
1:45 – 2:15 p.m. IUSM Honor Code	Stephen B. Leapman, MD Executive Associate Dean for Educational Affairs
2:15 – 2:45p.m. The Competency-Based Curriculum	Debra K. Litzelman, MD Associate Dean for Medical Education & Curricular Affairs
2:45 – 3:00 p.m. Break	
3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Graduate School Overview	William F. Bosron, PhD Assistant Dean for Graduate Studies
3:15 – 3:30 p.m. Compliance	Marcia N. Gonzales, JD Chief Compliance & Privacy Officer
3:30 - 4:00 p.m. Promotion, Tenure, Long- Term Contracts	Asok C. Antony, MD Chair, IUSM PTC Committees
4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Questions & Answers	

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Water, water everywhere - and plenty of docs to dunk

Some of the top leadership at the IUSM and IUPUI are on tap for a solid

soaking Friday, Sept. 24,

The second “Dunk the Deans” fundraising event is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the lawn in front of Fesler Hall, north of Michigan Street on the IUPUI campus. Proceeds from this year’s event will be used for the IU-Moi University program in Kenya. The initial event in 2002 raised about \$10,000 for the program..

IU School of Medicine Dean D. Craig Brater, MD, and IUPUI Chancellor Charles Bantz will be among those who take their place in the dunking booth and will hurl encouragement and insults at throwers. Prices begin at \$1 for two softballs; less accurate participants can make a larger donation and throw a basketball from a short distance.

Other activities planned include a silent auction of various craft items, such as jewelry, afghans, sweaters and pottery made by Kenya AIDS patients; miscellaneous gift items from local businesses and restaurants; and an Ambassadair Travel Club membership.

“Dunk the Deans” T-shirts are for sale for \$12, and polo shirts are being sold for \$18. Contact Linda Vinson at lvinson@iupui.edu, or call 278-0057.

For more information about “Dunk the Deans” and a list of the “dunkees” and their times in the booth, go to www.medicine.iu.edu/events/dunkTheDeans.

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Dean’s Grand Rounds, faculty poster session slated

The IUSM biannual Dean’s Grand Rounds will be Wednesday, Sept. 29. The purpose of this special event is to highlight current research efforts within the School, and to foster interdisciplinary research.

After presentations by Mervin Yoder, MD, and David Wilkes, MD, there will be a poster session by faculty members in the atrium of the VanNuys Medical Science Building from 10:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. A free lunch will be provided to each presenter.

Faculty members are encouraged to submit abstracts for this special event and to attend the poster presentation session. Abstracts should be submitted by e-mail in Microsoft Word format to: iusmdss@iupui.edu.

Hard copy submissions should be sent to:

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IU Geriatrics Conferences planned

The IU Geriatrics Conferences in Sept. and Oct. will be from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Wishard Memorial Hospital, room T2008. The schedule is:

Sept. 29 – *Swallowing Disorders in Older Adults and the Role of Esophageal Dilations as a Therapeutic Maneuver*, Debra Helper, MD

Oct. 6 – *Nutrition and the Older Adult*, Sara Blackburn, DSc, RD

Oct. 13 – *Erectile Dysfunction in the Elderly*, Alex Arizmendi, MD, geriatric medicine fellow

Oct. 20 – *Depression in Primary Care of the Elderly*, Jeanne Dickens, MD, associate professor

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Healthcare communication conference, Oct. 1-3

Patients look to their physicians to provide more than correct diagnoses and accurate cost-effective treatments. They expect to be a part of medical decisions and receive information to weigh treatment options against potential risks.

That is the focus of the “Opening Dialogues in Healthcare Communication” conference, sponsored by the Indiana University School of Medicine and the American Academy on Physician and Patient. The Oct. 1-3 conference, to be held at the Regenstrief Institute and IUSM, will focus on how effective doctor-patient communication improves the quality of the relationship and positively influences outcomes.

A sample of the more than 100 presentations include:

- “Using Evaluative and Measurement Techniques to Improve Patient-physician Interactions and Reduce Malpractice Claims”
- “I know It’s Bad, but How Bad is It?: Bad News in Oncologist-Patient Interactions”
- “Primary Care Clinicians Rely on the Provider-Patient Relationship to Treat Patients with Medically Unexplained Symptoms – A Clinical Trial”
- “Internet-Based Patient Education can be Holistic, Collaborative and Entertaining”

Plenary speakers include nationally-known experts in shared decision-making: Thomas Inui, MD, IU School of Medicine and the Regenstrief Institute, Inc.; Hilary A. Llewellyn-Thomas, PhD, Dartmouth University; and health literacy experts Rima Rudd, MSPH, ScD, Harvard University, and David W. Baker, MD, Northwestern University.

Registration information can be found at www.physicianpatient.org, or call 314-576-5333.

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Biostatistics course offered

The Department of Medicine's Division of Biostatistics will offer a short course Oct. 5-7, "Biostatistics for Physicians: A Short Course."

This course will be held at Riley Outpatient Center, Ruth Lilly Learning Center (lower level) from noon to 4 p.m. each day. The course brochure will be mailed to faculty in next two weeks.

For additional information and to register on-line please visit <http://cme.medicine.iu.edu>. This course is approved for 10.75 CME credits.

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FEED begins Oct. 13

The Department of Medicine is committed to provide the highest quality learning environment for our medical students, residents and fellows. As a part of this commitment, we introduce the Faculty Enrichment and Educational Development Series, a quarterly offering of key topics in clinical teaching. These workshops will provide an opportunity for the department faculty to improve their teaching skills in a collegial and fun environment.

The first session of the series is Teaching Caring Attitudes: Practical Professionalism and meets 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 13 at the Ruth Lilly Learning Center in the lower level of the Riley Outpatient Center. The

session offers two hours of Category I CME credits.

During this two-hour workshop, participants will:

- Identify and categorize a wide range of behaviors manifesting attitude content.
- Examine and practice the response of active listening.
- Identify and categorize potential educational interventions clinical teachers can use to address attitude content.
- Practice skills in applying educational interventions focusing on challenging attitudinal content which frequently arise in clinical teaching settings.

If you are interested in attending, please e-mail Kathie Mullins at kmullins@iupui.edu, or call 656-4275. Department of Medicine faculty may attend for free; all others must pay a \$25 fee.

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Former surgeon general to speak at conference

Jocelyn Elders, MD, the nation's first African-American woman to serve as U.S. Surgeon General, will be the featured speaker at a dinner Saturday, Oct. 16 at 7:30 p.m., highlighting the annual Student National Medical Association Regional Conference. The day-long conference is hosted by IUSM's SNMA chapter.

Dr. Elders, a pediatric endocrinologist and veteran of the U.S. Army, was appointed to the surgeon general post in 1993 by former President Bill Clinton. Currently, Dr. Elders is a distinguished professor of public health at the University of Arkansas College of Medicine.

Virginia Caine, MD, director of the Marion County Health Department and

associate professor in IUSM's Division of Infectious Diseases, and U.S. House Rep. Julia Carson will also be on hand to discuss medical education and health policy issues.

For more information about the conference, contact Ruby Long at rulong@iupui.edu, or Lauren Outlaw at loutlaw@iupui.edu.

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Creations for the Cure bracelet sale

The holidays may be a few months away, but it's never too early to think about gifts. Creations for the Cure will host bracelet sales 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 6, at the Indiana Cancer Pavilion lobby; and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 21, at Radiation Oncology Associates in Fort Wayne.

A portion of the proceeds are donated to the IU Cancer Center. Creations primarily sells breast cancer bracelets made of pink and clear crystals, but bracelets representing other cancers with alternate colored beads can be ordered.

For more information, go to www.creationsfortheure.com.

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Relationship Centered Care Initiative holds meeting

“It's spreading widely, in ways we never could have planned or imagined!”

That's how one member of the Relationship-Centered Care Initiative's Discovery Team characterized their progress in fostering an organizational

culture (and informal curriculum) at IUSM that consistently models and teaches the values of the formal competency-based curriculum. More than 40 people gathered Sept. 2 at Wishard Memorial Hospital and via teleconference.

Discovery Team members summarized the origins of the RCCI – a two-month interview project launched in early 2003 to gather stories from 80 people about IUSM’s organizational culture at its best. Four principal themes emerged:

- belief in the capacity of all people to learn and grow
- the wonderment of medicine
- connectedness between students and teachers, patients and clinicians, interdisciplinary healthcare team members and research collaborators
- passion for patient care, learning, teaching and creating new knowledge

As these stories and themes were shared throughout the school, more and more people wanted to get involved, and they brought new ideas about how to spread this culture of relationship, mindfulness, personal reflection and professionalism.

RCCI Director Thomas Inui, ScM, MD, IUSM’s associate dean for health care research, and external consultants described their experience of intentionally not planning the entire project; rather just choosing a starting point and then watching for opportunities to “spontaneously arise.”

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IUSM shines at pediatric cardiology gathering

At the recent Midwest Pediatric Cardiology Meeting held in Cleveland, Ohio, IUSM/Riley faculty, fellows, residents and students presented seven abstracts – the most from any single institution.

One of the first-year pediatric residents, Cyndy Myers, MD, won the best resident abstract award. Dr. Myers presented “24 Hour Cardiopulmonary Stability in a Model of Assisted Newborn Fontane Circulation,” which she conducted under the leadership of Mark Rodefeld, assistant professor of surgery.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 26, to *Sound Medicine*, the weekly radio program co-produced by IUSM and WFYI Public Radio (90.1 FM) in Indianapolis. The program is hosted by Barb Lewis. The co-hosts this week are Kathy Miller, MD and David Crabb, MD.

Robert Daum, section chief of pediatric infectious diseases and professor of pediatrics at University of Chicago, will discuss methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus, a virulent and potentially deadly bacterium that while once only found in hospitals and long-term care facilities has currently been detected in the general population.

Paris Roach, MD, professor of clinical medicine, will talk about the rare – but real – adult hypoglycemia in non-diabetic people.

Also on hand will be Joanne Wojcieszek, MD, associate professor of clinical neurology, to discuss the recently FDA-approved, first-of its-kind treatment for patients with Parkinson’s disease.

Archived editions of *Sound Medicine*, as well as other helpful health information, can be found at soundmedicine.iu.edu/.

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Online IUSM calendars

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar. To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at imsewell@iupui.edu.

A Special Events Calendar for presentations, symposiums, conferences and other activities at IUSM can be found on the School's Web page at www.medicine.iu.edu. The calendar also can be accessed directly at webdb.iu.edu/iusm/scripts/calendar/instr.cfm.

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Submissions to Scope

Scope wants your news items.

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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
- paste your plain text message into *Scope* Web form on the IUSM faculty & staff page: <http://medicine.iu.edu/faculty>

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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