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Book Aids Families of Children with HIV

A Riley Hospital physician and nurse have written a book containing both medical and practical everyday advice for families who have children with HIV.

Elaine Cox, MD, clinical assistant professor of pediatrics, and Denise Shalkowski, RN, collaborated on *A Family's Guide to Living with HIV*, a 76-page book that includes a wide range of helpful information. Free copies of the book have been sent to pediatric HIV programs around the country.

The authors detail medical information about the disease, clinic visits, psychological concerns, how medications work and their side effects, a glossary of terms and a listing of helpful resources. The publication also focuses on lifestyle issues for HIV patients and their families, including nutrition, school activities, sports, travel and sexuality.

Every family with a patient having HIV who visits the Ryan White Center for Pediatric Infectious Disease at Riley Hospital receives a free copy of the book. Children's hospitals and the general public requesting the free guide can obtain a copy by contacting the Riley Infectious Disease Department at 274-7260. It also can be downloaded at www.clarian.org/pdf/hivguide.pdf.

An estimated 900,000 people in the United States are living with HIV, including up to 200,000 who do not know they are infected, according to the Centers for Disease Control. During 2003, an estimated 32,048 new diagnoses of HIV infection were reported. Of these, 72 percent of patients were adult or adolescent males; 27 percent were adult or adolescent females; and less than 1 percent were children under 13.

A Family's Guide to Living with HIV was funded, in part, by an educational grant from Roche Laboratories and the IU Department of Pediatrics.

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Kiss a pig to support diabetes research

Man's first source of insulin appears to be the object of affection of an IUSM pediatric endocrinologist. At least, one might think so if Juan Sanchez's hard work to win a certain competition is any indication.

If he wins that competition, Dr. Sanchez's reward will be an opportunity to show thousands of people at an Indiana Pacers' home game just how fond he is of a, uh, pig – the first source of insulin.

Winning the contest requires people to vote for Dr. Sanchez. Each vote is \$1. All the proceeds benefit the American Diabetes Association.

It seems that pig kissing is very popular among some pediatric endocrinologists at Riley Hospital. According to a source within the department, the mantle was passed due to failed efforts on the part of the past contender.

"After two valiant attempts to kiss Pork Chop, Henry Rodriguez has graciously agreed to let Dr. Juan Sanchez have a try," it was reported.

The ADA's 13th annual Kiss-A-Pig voting ends Friday, March 11. Until that time, faculty and staff may request a ballot by emailing Pat Laskowski at plaskows@iupui.edu. Tax-deductible donations made to the American Diabetes Association may also exceed the \$1 minimum.

Several people are vying for the opportunity to pay homage to the pig for its role in the fight against diabetes. The person who raises the most money will be rewarded for their efforts at the Indiana Pacers/Utah Jazz game, March 16.

Diabetes is a condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the blood sugar level. Following the discovery of insulin in 1921, the first commercially available insulin was purified from pig pancreases. Before then, no treatment was available, and people diagnosed with the condition died within weeks.

The winning pig kisser last year raised \$4,000 for the ADA.

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Bubonic plague in China topic of Steinberger History Lecture

The annual Steinberger Lecture in History will be presented by Keith Schoppa, PhD, at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 28, at the Butler University College of Business, room HB 122.

Dr. Schoppa, the Doehler Professor in Asian History at Loyola College, will present "Power, Culture and Place: Fighting Bubonic Plague in Two Chinese Cities, 1940-1941."

The lecture explores the way bubonic plague epidemics were handled in two Chinese cities during the Sino-Japanese War (1937-1945). One approach was successful; the other was not. The outbreaks were caused by the Japanese who dropped plague-infected matter from planes over the cities.

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Medical Ethics seminar examines organ procurement issues

"Ethical Issues in Organ Procurement: Payment, Personal Appeals and Policy" will be discussed from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, March 3, at the Seminars in Medical Ethics and Humanities.

James Childress, PhD, a professor of religious studies at the University of Virginia, will be the speaker.

The presentation will be in room 103 of the School of Nursing building. A light lunch will be served. Reservations should be made by calling Judi Campbell at 274-4740, or emailing her at jizukac@iupui.edu by Tuesday, March 1.

The program is presented by the Medical Humanities Program at IUPUI and co-sponsored by the IU Center for Bioethics.

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HRA Compliance Training Sessions

IU Personnel Policy regarding compliance training states that every IUPUI supervisor and manager is responsible for knowing and keeping the university in compliance with state and federal employment laws.

The IUPUI Compliance Training program consists of two four-hour modules, and includes the following topics: Session 1: Fair Labor Standards Act; Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity; Sexual Harassment, and Session 2: Family Medical Leave Act; Americans with Disabilities Act; Worker's Compensation.

All supervisors, including staff and faculty with supervisory authority for employees, are encouraged to participate in this training. The series will be offered in early March and supervisors should consider attending both sessions:

- Session 1: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 2, in the Hoosier Room on the second floor of the Union building.
- Session 2: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 9, in the Hoosier Room on the second floor of the Union building.

To register online, go to HRA Training and Development's "Workshops and Registration" link at www.hra.iupui.edu/signup.asp and follow the prompts.

This training is required for all new supervisors and completion of this series is also required as part of HRA's Fundamentals of Supervision series. For additional information, call 274-8931, or email hratrng@iupui.edu.

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AAMC calls for increase in medical school enrollment

The potential for a physician shortage in the next few decades in the United States has prompted the Association of American Medical Colleges to recommend that enrollment in U.S. medical schools be increased 15 percent by 2015. This would result in an additional 2,500 M.D. graduates per year.

The association also recommended the removal of the current restriction on the number of residency and fellowship positions funded by Medicare in order to ensure that the new graduates can complete their graduate medical education.

For additional information and access to a complete report, see <http://www.aamc.org/newsroom/pressrel/2005/050222.htm>.

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Funding for Proteomics Core services available

IUSM invites faculty investigators who need proteomics core support to submit funding requests by **Sunday, May 1**, to the Biomedical Research Committee. The funding is made possible by a \$27,000 credit at the Indiana Centers for Applied Protein Sciences (INCAPS).

In 2004, IUSM joined with other academic institutions and corporate partners to form a new organization known as

INCAPS. The IUSM Proteomics Core Facility was renamed the Protein Analysis Research Center (PARC) and incorporated into INCAPS. The mission of PARC is to provide advanced proteomic technologies, applications and expertise for academic investigators at the lowest possible cost.

Faculty who lack resources for proteomics core support are invited to submit requests not exceeding \$9,000. These requests will be reviewed and support will be awarded in the form of credits from PARC. All requests will be reviewed by the Biomedical Research Committee. Requests must follow the application guidelines for Pilot Funding for Research Use of Core Facilities found on the IUSM Research Funding Opportunities for Faculty web page at medicine.iu.edu/research/facultyresearch.shtml. Contact information for the Biomedical Research Committee also can be found on that site.

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Fellowships available in medical informatics, health outcomes research

Several funded training opportunities sponsored by the Regenstrief Institute and the VA Health Services Research and Development Section are available for physicians and other PhD-trained health care professionals. They include:

- A fellowship in medical informatics which provides specialized training for individuals interested in a career in the rapidly growing area of health care informatics.
- The second is a fellowship in health outcomes research, an area of increasing importance for those interested in patient-oriented research.

Each fellowship provides a structured mentoring program led by internationally known faculty scientists and a formal curriculum leading to a Master of Science in Clinical Research.

Positions are available in July. Due to federal funding restrictions, applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Fellows and junior faculty who are interested may visit www.regenstrief.org/training, or contact Kurt Kroenke, MD, at kkroenke@regenstrief.org, or 630-7447, for more information.

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Volunteers needed for special breast cancer project

IU Cancer Center Breast Cancer researchers needs help with a special project during the annual Race for the Cure, April 16. The project, dubbed Friends for Life, will involve collecting blood samples from women – some who have had breast cancer and some who have not – to identify genetic changes that may predispose a woman to breast cancer.

Volunteers are needed to assist with consent forms, questionnaires and to draw blood the day of the Race for the Cure. Volunteers can work the entire day or sign up for shifts from 6:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Indiana Cancer Pavilion.

Researchers plan to draw blood from about 1,000 women that day. To successfully conduct a study of this size, organizers are seeking at least 80 volunteers. Volunteers of all skill levels are needed for the Cancer Pavilion efforts and to staff a booth at the Race recruiting individuals for the blood draw.

For additional information or to volunteer, contact Suzanne Lemler at 287-3063, or email her at sulemler@iupui.edu.

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New JAGS Bookstore to offer software and more

The new JAGS Outlet Store will be in the food court of the University Place Hotel and Conference Center. The store will carry software, clearance merchandise, art supplies and Herron textbooks. The tentative opening date is March 7.

All software will be sold only from the new Jags Outlet Store. The final day to purchase software from the Cavanaugh, Union and Herron bookstores is Wednesday, March 2. To accommodate the move, software will not be available for purchase March 3-5.

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IU Geriatrics Conferences for March

Three IU Geriatrics Conferences are planned for March. Each session is from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in Wishard Memorial Hospital, room T2008 A and B:

- March 2** "Parkinson's Disease Update"
Ann Hake, MD
IU clinical assistant professor of neurology
- March 16** "Anxiety Disorders and Depression in Older Adults"
Jeanne Dickens, MD
IU associate professor of psychiatry
- March 30** To be announced
Noll Campbell, PharmD
Clinical specialist in geriatrics

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Combined Seminar Series for March

The IU Cancer Center Combined Seminar Series meets Wednesdays from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the IU Cancer Research Institute auditorium. March's lineup:

- March 2** – To be announced
- March 9** – Larry Cripe, MD, associate professor of medicine, "Leukemia Narratives"
- March 16** – To be announced
- March 23** – Xiao-Fan Wang, PhD, professor of pharmacology and cancer biology, Duke University Medical Center, "Novel Players of Tumor Metastasis"
- March 30** – Brenda Grimes, PhD, assistant professor, IU Department of Medical & Molecular Genetics, "Human Artificial Chromosomes: Getting to Know the Centromere and Prospects for Gene Therapy"

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Mandated research coordinator program – March 23-25

A required program for all new research coordinators at IUSM with less than two years experience coordinating studies has been developed by the School's Clinical Trials Program and Outpatient Clinical Research Facility, and the IU School of Nursing.

The program on March 23-25 will introduce research coordinators to critically important concepts, requirements and practical aspects of coordinating research studies. A core curriculum and break-out sessions are offered for clinical and behavioral trials.

Sessions will include an overview of drug development; GCPs and drug law; study feasibility assessment; budgeting, contract review, and routing the proposal; study startup and the study approval process; pre-study preparation; study conduct (including the informed consent process and adverse event reporting); audits and study closeout; special interest breakout sessions; and identification of clinical research resources available at IU.

For the agenda and more detailed information, see

nursing.iupui.edu/LifelongLearning/default.asp?/LifelongLearning/ProgramsAndConferences/RECEP/2005/RECP_0305.htm. To go directly to the registration page, see nursing.iupui.edu/llreg/forms/researchcoord.asp.

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Promotion, tenure and contract workshops

An informational workshop is being offered to the IUSM faculty on promotion, tenure and long-term appointment contract strategies and tactics. The workshop will be from noon to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 31, in room 319, Fesler Hall.

Sample dossiers and other helpful information will be available for review.

Call 278-5461 to make reservations no later than five days prior to the session. Seating is limited to 25.

Another promotion and tenure workshop, sponsored by the IUPUI Office for Professional Development, will be from 9 a.m. to noon, Friday, March 4, in the Lilly Auditorium of University Library.

This year's workshop will include a general overview of policies and dossier construction, followed by the mock committee session. The committee will review several fictitious dossiers, similar to actual cases from recent years. During the workshop the mock committee will review cases in the same manner as they are reviewed during the actual proceedings.

Immediately after each case, the audience will be invited to interact with the committee about the process. Helpful print resources will be given to participants.

Participants can register for the workshop at www.opd.iupui.edu/events.asp?unit=OPD, or by calling 278-6221.

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Help UITS improve its services

Each year, UITS randomly surveys part of the IU community to assess how satisfied users are with UITS computing facilities and services. The survey also addresses satisfaction with support services for instruction, research and administration, and satisfaction with telephone services.

This is an online survey. If you were one of those chosen to participate in the 2005 user survey, you received instructions for accessing the survey with the invitation to participate. If you have yet to complete the survey, please take a few moments to do so.

Your observations and opinions are critical in helping UITS evaluate its performance, identify where improvements are needed, and generate ideas for new services. User input in the past has helped UITS make many positive changes to the campus IT environment.

Previous UITS Survey findings are available at www.indiana.edu/~uitssur/.

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Staff Council Awareness Month begins Tuesday

Visit the Staff Council Website at www.iupui.edu/~scouncil for additional information on events:

- Play IUPUI-opoly every week in March to win. The top five winners will receive a gift card to one of the following stores: Starbucks, Bath & Body Works, Barnes & Noble or Borders. All prizes will be awarded by April 15.
- The Staff Council will spotlight a few staff members who are making a difference at IUPUI and in the community. Nominations for the Gerald L. Bepko Staff Council Spirit Award will be accepted through March 4. The winner will be announced by March 31.
- Pick up information on the Staff Council, at the Union Building from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., March 8; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., March 22, in Cavanaugh Hall; or from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 29 in the Science and Technology and Science buildings.

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This week on *Sound Medicine*

Tune in at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, 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. This week's co-hosts are David Crabb, MD, Kathy Miller, MD, and Diane Willis.

Guests include Robert Fuller, MD, emergency department medical director at the University of Connecticut Health Center, who will share his experiences in Banda Aceh as a tsunami relief volunteer with International Medical Corps.

Suzanne Conklin, an emergency-care nurse who leads medical response teams for the Veterans Health Administration, will discuss medical needs in the immediate aftermath of a weather disaster in the United States. Conklin is the Division 11 Area Emergency Manager for the Veterans Health Administration.

Capt. Teresa Morell-Riech, MD, will discuss her experiences in Iraq as a flight surgeon with the Air National Guard. When Dr. Morell isn't serving in the armed forces, she is on staff at Wishard Memorial Hospital where she specializes in internal medicine and pediatrics.

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.

The deadline for submission is 8:30 a.m. on Fridays. *Scope* is published electronically and sent to faculty, staff, students, and residents.

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
- fax your information to (317) 278-8722

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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