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## **Match Day a happy event at IUSM**

This year, the 259 IUSM fourth-year students participating in Match Day March 20 fared well during the annual national program that coordinates thousands of medical students' and U.S. hospital programs' preferences.

During their senior year, students apply and interview for their preferred residency positions throughout the nation; their selection is administered through the National Resident Matching Program of the Association of American Medical Colleges

The program, with the results released each year during the third week of March, is the main pathway by which most medical school graduates enter their residency training under the supervision of veteran physicians.

IUSM students in the Class of 2008, who will receive their medical degrees on May 10, accepted residency positions in 33 states, including Indiana . Among the Match Day highlights:

- 49 percent of the students will pursue at least part of their residencies within Indiana
- 94 students will be residents at IU Hospital, Riley Hospital for Children, other Clarian Health facilities, Wishard Health Services and the Roudebush VA Medical Center
- 45 percent of IU School of Medicine graduates will enter primary-care programs, which includes internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, primary internal medicine and combined internal medicine-pediatrics

Additional information the National Resident Matching Program can be found at [www.nrmp.org](http://www.nrmp.org) .

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## **Flat NIH budget topic of report**

Five consecutive years of flat funding for the National Institutes of Health have deterred promising young researchers and threatened medical progress, according to a group of academic research institutions when issuing their report, "A Broken Pipeline? Flat Funding of the NIH Puts a Generation of Science at Risk."

The report states that stagnant NIH funding is taking a toll on the American medical research enterprise and predicts that the nation will lose a generation of young researchers to other careers and other countries if the NIH budget is not increased. The report profiles 12 junior researchers from institutions across the country who attest to the funding difficulties they and their professional peers are experiencing.

Corresponding with the release of the report, the U.S. Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee held a hearing to explore the negative effects of flat funding for the NIH on the next generation of medical researchers.

To see the report, go to [www.brokenpipeline.org/brokenpipeline.pdf](http://www.brokenpipeline.org/brokenpipeline.pdf)

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## **Research fellowships in behavioral oncology available**

National Cancer Institute-supported training program seeks applicants for special research fellowships in behavioral oncology. This highly interdisciplinary program encourages applications from a broad range of health care specialties. Funding is available for junior faculty scientists, post-doctoral fellows and pre-doctoral graduate students.

Coursework in cancer basics, behavioral oncology theory, behavioral oncology survey, intervention design and methods, and research ethics are offered by outstanding faculty scientists on the IUPUI campus. Also, numerous electives are available. Concentrated research time under the interdisciplinary mentorship of two senior scientists is provided.

Positions currently are available and provide up to 2 years of funding for junior faculty scientists or post-doctoral fellows and up to 3 years of funding for pre-doctoral graduate students. Applications

received before **Thursday, May 1**, will be given priority. In addition to salary support or a stipend, benefits include health insurance, tuition and fees, and pilot research funding. Contact Kurt Kroenke, MD, at [kkroenke@iupui.edu](mailto:kkroenke@iupui.edu), or 630-7447. Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

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## **Abstracts sought for IU Simon Cancer Center Cancer Research Day**

Cancer researchers in Indiana are invited to submit research abstracts for the annual Indiana University Melvin and Bren Simon Cancer Center Cancer Research Day on May 7.

Students, fellows, and faculty conducting cancer research at IUPUI, Indiana University-Bloomington, Purdue University, and the Walther Cancer Research Center at the University of Notre Dame are invited to present their current cancer research efforts at this year's event.

Cancer Research Day, led by James Klaunig, PhD, encourages collaboration among the cancer research institutions in the state.

Abstracts should be submitted electronically by **Wednesday, April 30**, for basic science, translational/clinical, or population science categories at [cancer.iu.edu/intranet/CRD/](http://cancer.iu.edu/intranet/CRD/). Individual laboratories may submit multiple abstracts; if space becomes limited, each laboratory will be asked to identify representative posters.

The scientific poster session is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the atrium of the VanNuys Medical Science Building. Cash awards for best posters by graduate students and by post-doctoral/medical fellows in all three research categories will be selected by a review board.

Michael J. Birrer, MD, of the National Cancer Institute will deliver the keynote address from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. in room 101 of the IU Cancer Research Institute. He is with the NCI's cell and cancer biology branch and director of the Molecular Mechanisms Section.

For more information about Cancer Research Day, contact Dr. Klaunig at [jklauni@iupui.edu](mailto:jklauni@iupui.edu).

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## **Doris Duke Charitable Foundation bridge grants**

The Doris Duke Charitable Foundation seeks Clinical Scientist Development Award (CSDA) grantees applying for their first NIH R01 grants. The CSDA bridge grants will provide \$135,000 for 12- to 18-months for eligible CSDAs who have received competitive scores on their first proposals to the National Institutes of Health for independent research project grants but were not funded due to the severely constrained paylines at NIH. Funds can be used flexibly to support research as well as career development. Application deadline is **Monday, Sept. 1**. See [www.ddcf.org/mrp-bridge](http://www.ddcf.org/mrp-bridge) for more details.

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## **Indiana AHEC annual meeting**

Advocates for increasing health-care education opportunities and the number of health-care providers in

underserved areas across the state will be in Indianapolis March 25 for “The Next Generation,” the theme of the Indiana Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) annual meeting.

Guest speakers will include Richard K. Merchant, CEO, Northern AHEC Inc. in Canton , NY., who will present “Tracking the Future” and Morris Weyand, IPS Magnet School Coordinator, Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet High School, who will discuss “Preparing Students for Success: One Public School System's Response.”

AHEC is a federal program responding to physician and health-care provider shortages in underserved and rural areas. To date there are more than 180 AHEC offices in 46 states, including five regional centers providing services to all 92 Indiana counties.

Indiana AHEC's program office is at the Indiana University School of Medicine on the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis campus. Statewide the program's objective is to improve the distribution of health-care professionals in underserved areas, and improve the diversity and quality of education of the health-care workforce in Indiana .

For additional information on Indiana AHEC, see [ahec.iupui.edu/](http://ahec.iupui.edu/).

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## **Frist to speak on benefits of medical humanitarian aid**

Former U.S. Senator Bill Frist, MD, will discuss "Global Medicine as a Currency for Peace" on Tuesday, March 25, at 7 p.m. in the IU Auditorium in Bloomington. Admission is free. A question and answer period will follow.

Sen. Frist's appearance is sponsored by the Union Board, the IU schools of medicine, public and environmental affairs, the Wells Scholars Program and The Timmy Foundation.

Through his annual medical missions to Africa , Sen. Frist has seen firsthand how the power of medicine can build trust between people of different cultures, promote growth and overcome the ravages of war. Sen. Frist often operates in a once war-torn, vacant village that has truly flourished around a health-care clinic he helped establish. He believes expanding this concept throughout U.S. foreign policy will undermine terrorists' ideological support and improve America 's standing in the international community.

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## **Quick facts about the NIH Public Access Policy**

Find out steps to take and how to be compliant in your NIH applications, proposals and progress reports. Informational sessions will address the process of retaining author rights and gaining copyright permission to submit manuscripts, pertinent resources to ensure compliance, and the various ways to submit a manuscript to PubMed Central. A website, checklist, and other resources will be provided. Q &A will follow the presentation. The NIH Public Access Policy takes effect Monday, April 7.

Sessions will be:

- Tuesday, March 25, noon -1 p.m., Medical Library 301/302

- Wednesday, March 26, 7 - 8 a.m., Medical Library 301/302
- Thursday, March 27, 5 - 6 p.m., Medical Library 301/302
- Wednesday, April 2, 3 - 4 p.m., Medical Library 301/302

No registration is required. Contact Beth Whipple at [ewhipple@iupui.edu](mailto:ewhipple@iupui.edu) or 278.6179 for more information. Co-sponsored by the Ruth Lilly Medical Library and the Department of Faculty Affairs.

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## **Sachs to discuss ethical issues at Fairbanks Lecture**

“Pediatrics and Geriatrics: Ethics Across the Life Course” will be presented by Greg A. Sachs, MD, as part of the Fairbanks Ethics Lecture Series sponsored by the Charles Warren Fairbanks Center for Medical Ethics at Clarian Health. Dr. Sachs, who is the director of the Division of Internal Medicine at IUSM, will present at 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, at the Riley Outpatient Center auditorium.

The lecture will explore the ethical similarities in pediatrics and geriatrics. For more information, contact Patty Bledsoe at 962-9260.

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## **Date-A-Doc Mentor Auction**

Interested in going into the medical field? Curious what a day in the life of a medical student, resident or physician is like? Join the IUSM Student Section of the American Medical Association on Thursday, March 27, to satisfy your curiosity while benefiting a good cause.

Some IU medical students will be auctioned off for a "date" where helpful information on getting into and succeeding in medical school will be shared over a cup of coffee or dinner (included in bid). Proceeds from the auction go to Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Admission is \$5. Hors d'oeuvres will be served. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. in the IUPUI Campus Center ballroom.

Event questions? Contact Dave Zopf, president of the local chapter, at [dzopf@iupui.edu](mailto:dzopf@iupui.edu), or Katie Couture at [kmcoutur@iupui.edu](mailto:kmcoutur@iupui.edu).

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## **Experts to discuss law and ethics of stem cell research at IU symposium**

An interdisciplinary panel of experts will examine the legal and ethical implications of stem cell research at the 2008 Symposium of Indiana University's Center on Law, Society & Culture.

Titled, "Can and Should We Control Technology? The Future of Stem Cell Research Policy," the symposium will take place from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, March 27, in the Moot Court Room of the IU School of Law-Bloomington.

The keynote speaker will be Rebecca Dresser, the Daniel Noyes Kirby Professor of Law and Professor of Ethics in Medicine at Washington University in St. Louis. Dresser, who has bachelor's and master's degrees from Indiana University Bloomington and a law degree from Harvard University, is a leading

authority on the law and ethics of stem cell research.

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## **Meeting set to discuss rank and status at IUPUI**

The Staff Council of IUPUI invites faculty, staff and administrators to join in a “town meeting” from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, March 28, in the UC Commons (formerly the Food Court) to consider “Status and Rank in the University Community.”

Participants will be invited to offer their thoughts on questions such as:

- How does the hierarchy of administration/faculty/staff impact your work experience?
- Do you feel that you are respected by fellow faculty, staff, and administrators?
- Do your colleagues listen to your ideas?
- How do you navigate within the hierarchy of IUPUI?

Moderator Marilyn Bedford will lead a panel representing a cross section of the IUPUI Community in an unprecedented event. Ideas are welcome. Participation is vital.

Questions or comments about the event can be forwarded to [scouncil@iupui.edu](mailto:scouncil@iupui.edu).

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## **Pescovitz to speak at March Stepping Stones luncheon**

IUSM Executive Associate Dean for Research Affairs Ora Pescovitz, MD, who also is CEO of Riley Hospital, will be featured at the Monday, March 31, Stepping Stones luncheon, from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the IUPUI Campus Center , room 405.

The program is sponsored by the IU School of Medicine Women's Advisory Committee and the IUSM Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

The Stepping Stones of Women in Leadership series is intended to create a forum where all faculty and students can learn about professional development through hearing the personal career journeys of successful women. The sessions are open to all faculty and students.

RSVP your name, academic/medical department and indicate the March Stepping Stones Luncheon to [sarareed@iupui.edu](mailto:sarareed@iupui.edu). The luncheon will be in room 405 of the IUPUI Campus Center , which is located on the southwest corner of Michigan Street and University Boulevard .

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## **Lunchtime lectures for research faculty development**

The “Beginner's Guide To Applying For Research Grants at the IUSM” will be presented by Brenda Grimes , PhD, assistant professor of medical and molecular genetics, from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, in VanNuys Medical Sciences building room B11.

Randy Brutkiewicz, PhD, assistant dean for faculty affairs and professional development and associate professor of microbiology and immunology, invites faculty to attend the second in a series of Research Faculty Development Seminars. These lunchtime seminars are designed to help junior tenure-track research faculty, scientists and research associates be successful in the laboratory and as members of IUSM.

Lunch is provided. Space is limited. RSVP to Sarah Reed: [sarareed@iupui.edu](mailto:sarareed@iupui.edu) by **Monday, April 14** . The series is presented by the IUSM Office of Faculty Affairs and Professional Development.

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## **Hurley to speak as Harper Scholar's Visiting Professor**

Marja Hurley, MD, will present at the Tuesday, April 29, Edwin T. Harper Scholar's Program Visiting Professor Seminar Series, at noon in VanNuys Medical Science Building, room 326.

Dr. Hurley is an associate dean and director of the Office of Health Career Opportunity Programs at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine. She earned her bachelor's degree in 1972 and became not only the first black woman to graduate from UConn's medical school, but also the first black woman to be a vice president at the medical school.

Following the presentation, Dr. Hurley will lunch with Harper Scholars at IUSM. The IU Department of Anatomy is hosting the event.

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## **Biostatistics for Health Care Providers: A Short Course**

On May 6, 7, and 8, the Division of Biostatistics will offer a short course on basic concepts of statistical methods commonly encountered in health care literature. The course, Biostatistics for Health Care Providers will be from 1 to 5 p.m. each day and is open to faculty, fellows, and residents, as well as other interested students and staff. Enrollment will be limited to the first 25 registrants.

Go to [www.biostat.iupui.edu/Teaching/ShortCourse](http://www.biostat.iupui.edu/Teaching/ShortCourse) for a detailed brochure and registration form.

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## **IUB Libraries offer new federal government reference service**

Indiana University Bloomington Libraries are one of only 20 public, academic and state libraries nationwide to provide an online reference service to the public through a new federal service launched by the U.S. Government Printing Office.

Launched this month as a free, Web-based service, "Government Information Online: Ask a Librarian" gives the American public the opportunity to ask librarians questions about government resources. Librarians from federal depository libraries nationwide answer chat- or e-mail-based questions related to any federal agency.

Lou Malcomb, head of the Government Information, Microforms, and Statistical Services Department in the Herman B Wells Library, staffs the service at IU and said it not only builds on the strength of the university's extraordinary research library but also responds to the way citizens seek information today.

Anyone may ask government-related questions at [govtinfo.org](http://govtinfo.org). The service is managed by the University of Illinois at Chicago, with whom IU collaborates as a member of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation, a group of 12 research universities concentrated in the Midwest .

The Government Information, Microforms and Statistical Services Department is located on the second floor of the Wells Library, 1320 East 10th St. in Bloomington . All IU libraries are open to the public. The Government Printing Office is the federal government's primary centralized resource for gathering, cataloging, producing, providing, authenticating and preserving published U.S. Government Information in all its forms.

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## **UITS Survey: Help improve UITS services**

If you were selected to take part in the annual UITS user survey, please take a moment to share your thoughts. Your observations and opinions are critical to helping us evaluate our services.

Your invitation included survey instructions for responding online -- the questions aim to gauge your level of satisfaction with UITS computing and telephone services, as well as with support for instruction, research and administration.

Your past input has helped us tailor UITS services and support to your needs. We appreciate your ongoing feedback. The survey concludes on **Wednesday, March 26** .

You can view previous UITS survey findings at [www.indiana.edu/~uitssur/](http://www.indiana.edu/~uitssur/) .

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## **Project Joy volunteers sought**

On Friday, March 28, IUSM student volunteers will again host Project Joy with a fun filled, karaoke event at Lockefield Village Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center . The events offers students an opportunity to spend quality time with the residents of this facility while bringing them joy and laughter.

For more information or to volunteer, contact the student project co-chairs, Stella Asuquo (MS2) at [sasuquo@iupui.edu](mailto:sasuquo@iupui.edu) or Tobe Mofunanya (MS2) at [tmofunan@iupui.edu](mailto:tmofunan@iupui.edu) .

Project Joy is one of sixteen projects sponsored by the Office of Medical Service-Learning, which promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through innovative service-learning experiences. Visit [www.medicine.iu.edu/omsl](http://www.medicine.iu.edu/omsl) for more information.

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## **Rock for Riley tickets now available**

The fourth annual Rock for Riley concert will feature Margot and the Nuclear So and So's, an Indiana band that has recently springboarded onto the national and Indy rock scene. The show will be at the Vogue Theatre in Broad Ripple on Friday, April 4, at 9 p.m. Tickets are available through TicketMaster outlets, the Vogue box office, online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com), or can be charged by phone at 239-5151. Opening the show will be Bon Iver.

Rock for Riley, sponsored by the Office of Medical Service-Learning at IUSM, is an annual concert event benefiting Riley Hospital for Children. In the past three years, Rock for Riley has raised more than \$450,000.

Interested in becoming involved in the organization or wanting to make a donation? For more information or to help support Rock for Riley, please visit [www.rockforriley.org](http://www.rockforriley.org) or email the project co-chairs, Bryan Eckerle ([bryan.eckerle@gmail.com](mailto:bryan.eckerle@gmail.com)) or Anne Gabonay ([anne.gabonay@gmail.com](mailto:anne.gabonay@gmail.com)).

The OMSL promotes a lifelong commitment to community service through innovative service-learning experiences. Visit [www.medicine.iu.edu/omsl](http://www.medicine.iu.edu/omsl) for more information.

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## **Pescovitz photography on exhibit**

Photographs taken around the world by Mark Pescovitz, MD, professor of surgery and of microbiology and immunology, will be on display at the Marsh Gallery at Herron School of Art and Design March 21 through April 27.

The photo collection is entitled “The Unconventional Tourist.”

The Marsh Gallery is free and open to the public. All proceeds from the sale of the artwork will benefit Herron Galleries.

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## **Continuing Medical Education at your fingertips**

Online registration and a list of grand rounds, conferences and courses are available on the Continuing Medical Education website at [cme.medicine.iu.edu](http://cme.medicine.iu.edu).

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## **Scientific Calendar online**

A comprehensive listing on IUSM seminars, lectures and Grand Rounds can be accessed at [the new Scientific Calendar website](#). To place items on the Scientific Calendar, please forward them to Iona Sewell at [imsewell@iupui.edu](mailto:imsewell@iupui.edu).

To access calendars and information prior to 2003, visit the old site [at www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar](http://www.medlib.iupui.edu/calendar).

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- e-mail the information to [mhardin@iupui.edu](mailto: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.

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- Dr. as a preface before names (designate MD or PhD)

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