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Appointments

Timothy J. Babineau, MD, was appointed to the Council of Teaching Hospitals and Health Systems (COTH)'s administrative board. Dr. Babineau, president and CEO of Lifespan, was elected to serve a three-year term. The council comprises nearly 400 teaching hospital and health system members that belong to the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

Rachel McCormick, MD, has been elected president of the Westerly Hospital medical staff, a position she was elected to last month. She takes over the position from Dr. Adrian Hamburger.

Kenneth S. Korr, MD, FACC, SVU, Associate Professor Emeritus of Medicine, Alpert Medical School; Cardiovascular Institute/Lifespan, has been named Associate Editor of the Rhode Island Medical Journal, succeeding Dr. Sun Ho Ahn. Dr. Korr has been a member of the Journal’s editorial board for the past two years.

Joseph W. Hogan, ScD, has been named as chair of the Department of Biostatistics effective July 1, 2017, to succeed Constantine A. Gatsonis, PhD, who will continue to lead the Center for Statistical Sciences.

Professor Hogan came to Brown in 1995 shortly after completing his doctoral work at Harvard. Most recently, he has served as associate dean for faculty affairs at the School of Public Health.

Professor Hogan’s research focuses on the development of statistical methods for missing data and causal inference. He has a long-standing interest in HIV and AIDS and holds leadership positions in the AMPATH Consortium and the Providence-Boston Center for AIDS Research, and co-directs a partnership with Moi University in Kenya focused on building research capacity in biostatistics.

Xavier Arinez has been named director of the St. Joseph Health Center. He previously held the position of chief operating officer for Family Health Center of Worcester, and served as a site executive director for Thundermist Health Center in West Warwick with an emphasis on practice transformation for a large outpatient medical and dental center. He graduated from the University of Illinois with an MS degree in engineering.

Recognition

Anthony A. Caldamone, MD, has received the 2017 Distinguished Contribution Award from the American Urological Association for his significant contributions to academic urology and exemplary humanitarian dedication to pediatric urologic missions in Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and South America.

Dr. Caldamone is the Director of Pediatric Urology, Hasbro Children’s Hospital, and Professor of Surgery (Urology) and Pediatrics, Hasbro Children’s Hospital Warren Alpert Medical School.

The Palliative Care program at Roger Williams Medical Center is now a member of the Center to Advance Palliative Care (CAPC), and was also voted into the Global Palliative Care Quality Alliance (GPCQA), making Roger Williams the only hospital in the Northeast to hold this designation. CAPC and GPCQA will provide the technical assistance for program development and quality tracking to further improve delivery of palliative care.

Team members who made these memberships possible including Dr. John Stoukides, Dr. Maria Aileen Soriano-Pisaturo, Lynn Leahey, RN, and Nancy Fogarty.

Women & Infants Hospital Richard P. Welch Awards for Continued Excellence in Patient and Family Centered Care were recently awarded in both clinical and non-clinical categories.

Susan Fair, RN, nurse manager of Labor/Delivery/Recovery, received the clinical Welch Award.

Diane Silva, site manager of Patient and Financial Services, was honored with the Welch non-clinical recognition.

The Excellence in Patient and Family Centered Care Award went to Therese Stafford, who has sat on the NICU Advisory Council since 2005 and the Hospital-Wide Council since 2007.

Brown alumnus Charles J. Lockwood, MD, was recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine at the SMFM annual meeting in Las Vegas in February. He earned a bachelor of science, magna cum laude with distinction from Brown University and his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine.

Dr. Lockwood is currently the senior vice president of USF Health and Dean of Morsani College of Medicine at the University of South Florida in Tampa.
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South County Hospital participates in Little Hats, Big Hearts program

AHA/Children’s Heart Foundation awareness program part of nationwide effort

WAKEFIELD – The American Heart Association in partnership with The Children’s Heart Foundation visited the Women & Newborn Care Unit at South County Hospital as a part of their nationwide effort, Little Hats, Big Hearts.

The campaign raises awareness of heart disease, the number one killer of Americans, as well as congenital heart defects, the most common type of birth defect in the country.

“Heart disease and other heart health issues are paramount on a national healthcare scale. Continuing to raise awareness and encourage discussion around cardiac care is vitally important to the future of the health of our community,” said Dr. Steven Fera, cardiologist at South County Health and member of the South County Medical Group.

Volunteers assisted through all phases of the Little Hats Big Hearts program. Hundreds donated handmade red hats and came together to assist with packaging and preparing the hats to be delivered to newborns. Pier Cleaners in Wakefield and Westerly donated laundry services led by heart survivor Larry Fish.

As part of the program all babies born at participating hospitals during the month of February received a knitted or crocheted red baby hat. More than 2,000 hats were collected in the Providence office with 6 participating hospitals in Southern New England.

From left to right: In the front row are Sue Smith, PCT (Patient Care Technician); Dah Hennessey, EVS (Environmental Services); Maureen Pearlman, RN, Director of Women’s Health Services; and Michelle Karn, Director of Communications, American Heart Association. In back row are Phyllis and Larry Fish, owners of Pier Cleaners; Aimee Quigley, RN; Bea Mattysovzky, RN; and Sue Andrews, RN.
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