

USF PEDIATRICS



February 2012

A Message from the Chair



February was a busy month for the Department. Our Education team completed interviewing 135 resident candidates in categorical Pediatrics and 38 candidates for Med/Peds. Many thanks to Kelly Paulina, Kristine Cram and all the staff and faculty who took the time to participate in this important activity. Special thanks to Diane Straub who interviewed every pediatric candidate – she was our key faculty member in ranking this class. In Med/Peds, Erica Abel and her team tell us that they are confident that 2012 will be a great year for resident recruitment. Match Day is March 16th and we encourage you to join us at Hula Bay 6:00 PM to celebrate with our residents.

We should all be proud of the Department's strong showing at this year's USF Health Research Day. Many abstracts related to child health were presented, including 26 from the Department and others presented by our colleagues in the College of Public Health; several child health-related abstracts received awards. It's most impressive that so many of our pediatric faculty are serving as research mentors for students and residents, and that so many faculty volunteered to serve as judges for the event. Research Day has evolved into a great event for USF Health, and the keynote lectures are excellent; this year's lecture by Steve Liggett on personalized asthma care was inspiring.

We have many great events scheduled for March, including important grand rounds lectures. Please be sure to look at upcoming events as we come upon an important time of the year for our students, residents and fellows.

Please also remember to send us news from your divisions – including kudos – so that we can include them in our newsletter. Please take a moment to make someone's day by recognizing their outstanding work.

Happy Spring!

USF Pediatrics at Career Day



Dr. Jennifer Kim and Dr. Sharon Dabrow visited Ferrell Girls Prep Academy, a Hillsborough middle school, on Feb. 1st to participate in a USF Women's Health Career Day Symposium. They attended several classes about health careers and the path to become a pediatrician. Other pediatricians that participated included Dr. Weiss, Dr. Soylyu and Dr. Sanchez-Valle.



Half Marathon Participants

A number of members of the Pediatrics family took part in St. Petersburg's Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon on February 10th. Drs. Courtney Judd, Tracy Burton, Stefany Honigbaum and Carol Geddes each finished the race with fantastic times.

Childhood Obesity Talk

Courtney Judd, MD spoke at the Lawton Chiles International Lecture and Symposium on Maternal and Child Health in the Americas on Feb 14, 2012 at the College of Public Health. Dr. Judd is a second year General Academic Pediatric Fellow and a MPH student. Her talk was entitled Childhood Obesity: The New Epidemic.

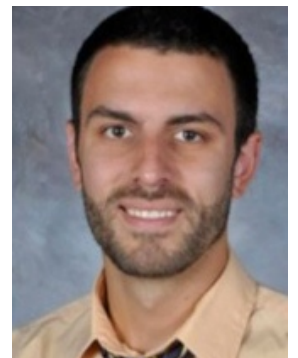


Conference Presentation

Third year resident (and future chief) Katie Braley attended the CHOP Cardiology conference in Orlando on February 23 & 24. She presented a poster titled....

Patient Compliment

Dr. Rich Lion received a wonderful compliment from one of his patient's mothers from TGH. She stated that Dr. Lion was, "one of the most caring providers" they had during their stay. Keep up the great work Rich!





Conference Presentation

Dr. Sara Prupas has had a case report accepted for poster presentation at the American College of Medical Genetics conference in Charlotte during the last week of March. Congratulations Sara!

Recruitment Recap

It was a very exciting recruiting year for the Pediatrics and Med/Peds Residency Programs. For Pediatrics, we had 1,053 applicants apply for 15 categorical positions. From November through January, we interviewed 135 top notch medical students from all over the country. In Med/Peds, they also had an outstanding pool of candidates. Interviewing on seven dates, 38 students out of a total of 265 applications, all vying for one of three residency positions!

Trying something new this year, both applicant groups stayed at the Sheraton on the River where they were treated to a Meet & Greet Event before each interview day! This was a great opportunity for them to meet our residents in a casual atmosphere and get an informal question and answer session in before their official interviews began!

On all of the interview days, both groups were treated to tours of TGH and ACH and a fabulous lunch outside along the water! Now, the hard part begins.....waiting for Match Day on March 16th to find out who our Class of 2012 will be!

Pediatrics Growing Family



Please welcome the newest member of the Pediatrics family! Daphne Vivienne Kelly was born on January 31 to Dr. Kathryn Kelly (third year resident) and Ed Kelly.



USF Health's 22nd Annual Research Day was held on February 24, 2012. The Department of Pediatrics was represented by 27 posters! We appreciate the efforts of all who presented, and congratulate the following award winners:

Best MCOM Med II Student Poster Presentation: Clinical Sciences

Compatibility of Heparin with Ethanol for Ethanol-Lock Therapy of Central Venous Catheters

Daniel Restrepo, Norma Alcantar, Mark L. Kayton, , Saumil Patel

USF College of Medicine, Departments of Pediatrics and Surgery, USF College of Engineering, and Tampa General Hospital

Best MCOMC Med II Student Poster Presentation: Evidence-Based Research

Gender Related Differences in Glucocorticoid Therapy and Growth Outcomes among Pubertal Children with 21-Hydroxylase Deficiency Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia

Jessica R. Deslauriers, Anne M. Lenz, Allen W. Root, Frank I. Diamond and Barry B. Bercu. USF College of Medicine Department of Pediatrics, Divisions of Pediatric Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, and All Children's Hospital

Best Undergraduate Poster Presentation: Interdisciplinary

Effects of Early Initiation of ART on Neopterin Levels in HIV-infected Adolescents Erik Richardson, Susan

Lukas, Bret J Rudy, and John W Sleasman. USF College of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics

Best College of Public Health Poster Presentation: Graduate Student

Postpartum Depression Screening: Are Pediatricians on Board?

Courtney Judd and Sharon Dabrow. USF College of Public Health, Dept. of Community and Family Health, and USF College of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics

To view a complete listing of the Pediatric abstracts and pictures from the event, please visit...

http://health.usf.edu/medicine/pediatrics/news_archives.htm

Grand Rounds - March 2012

Lectures are from 8:00 to 9:00 AM at MacInnes Auditorium; Tampa General Hospital. Lectures are also videoconferenced to the All Children's Hospital/USF Children's Research Institute first floor conference room and to the CMS Building, Room 2004.

March 1:

Familial Pheochromocytoma and Other Endocrine Tumor Syndromes

Omar Hudson, MD
MIMA, Pediatric Endocrinology
Melbourne, FL

March 8:

Integrating Research into Your Practice: Quality of Life in the Clerkship

Steve Goldin, MD, PhD
Chief, Hepatobiliary Surgery
Medical Student Clerkship Director

March 15:

Risk Management - 2 HOURS

Sandra Strickland, RN, MSN
Director of Risk Management Services
First Professionals Insurance Company

March 22:

Medical Home

Elaine Donoghue, MD
Vice Chair for Medical Education, Dept. of Pediatrics
Lehigh Valley Health Network

March 29:

Potential Future Therapies with Umbilical Cord Blood

Paul Sanberg, PhD, DSc
Senior Assoc. VP for Research & Innovation
Exec. Director, Center for Excellence for Aging and Brain Repair
Distinguished University Professor



New Employees

We would like to welcome two new employees to the Pediatrics family this month. Ann Marie Holland, LPN will be working in the division of Infectious Disease at 17 Davis. Terica Munoz, Medical Assistant will working at STC. Welcome aboard Ann and Terica!

Faculty Development Tip



The Department of Pediatrics now has copies of EndNote for PC and Mac available for faculty, staff and trainees to load on their computers. This referencing program is invaluable for organizing documents and preparing manuscripts and grant proposals. Please contact Barbara Cockream (bcockrea@health.usf.edu) if you'd like to borrow a disk, and Jane Carver (jcarver@health.usf.edu) if you need help using the program.