Sharing is Caring

The Transitional Year residents shared Holiday Joy during the season of giving. **Drs. Ben Smith and Wyndham Owens** shared their musical talents with the patients and staff at the Tumor Clinic during the holiday festivities.

The Transitional Year Program is a one-year internship providing preliminary education for applicants interested in residency programs that begin at more advanced PGY-2 levels (Anesthesiology, Radiology, Ophthalmology, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, etc.). Transitional Year residents are usually among the finest in all our programs at the Chattanooga Unit. Their input and contribution to the medical education programs in Chattanooga are recognized as enhancements to the other departments.

Recent Presentations

**Robert W. Enzenauer, MD MPH (Ophthalmology)** was an invited guest speaker in Toronto, Canada at the Walter Wright Day, a conference sponsored by the University of Toronto Dept. of Ophthalmology December 3-4, 2004. The conference was on Ocular Trauma and Dr. Enzenauer spoke on “Kids Unfortunate Enough to Live in a War Zone,” discussing the many surgeries performed on mine-injured children in Afghanistan.

Comments, articles & announcements for the COMmunicator can be submitted in publishable format to: Sylvia Friedl, Office of Human Subject Protections, UT College of Medicine at Chattanooga [friedlsa@erlanger.org]
Publications


Of special note: Dr. Peterman is Chair of the Philosophy Department at the University of the South and is a member of the Erlanger Ethics Committee.

Continuing Medical Education Events 2005

For information: call 423-778-6884 or visit the website: www.cmeconferences.org

February 24, 2005
2nd Annual Human Subjects Protections Conference
Competing Interests in Clinical Trials
Probasco Auditorium
UT College of Medicine--Chattanooga Unit
(See next page for details)

April 21-22, 2005
3rd Annual Cancer Symposium: Focus on Breast Cancer
Convention Center, Chattanooga, TN
Conference Director: Donald Chamberlain, MD

June 8-11, 2005
20th Annual Family Medicine Update
Chattanooga, TN
Conference Director: John Standridge, MD

June 16-17, 2005
2005 Annual OB/GYN Summer Seminar
Probasco Auditorium, Erlanger Medical Mall, Chattanooga, TN
Conference Director: Michael Breen, MD

Second Tuesdays
Research Coordinators Forum

Evidence Based Research and Medical Decisions
Harsha Gadadhar, MD
Mukta Panda, MD, FACP
Dept. of Internal Medicine
UT College of Medicine--Chattanooga
NOON, Tuesday, February 8, 2005

HIPPA Update
Rita Bowen
Health Information Management
Noon, Tuesday, March 8, 2005
IRB Conference Room
Whitehall Building
CALL FOR ABSTRACTS — Resident Research Week 2005

The University of Tennessee College of Medicine — Chattanooga Unit and The Erlanger Health System announce the **ANNUAL RESEARCH WEEK 2005, set for Monday - Friday, April 25 - 29, 2005.** The purpose of this event is to provide residents with an opportunity to relay information about a research project or scholarly case reports. Residents are asked to submit an abstract specifying consideration for a **Poster Presentation** and/or an **Oral Presentation.** The Word file containing the abstract form is available from the individual departments or by going to [http://www.utcomchatt.org/Docs/rrwabstr.doc](http://www.utcomchatt.org/Docs/rrwabstr.doc) and saving the Word document on a disk. An attachment is being sent via email as well as a hard copy mailed from your department.

Research projects must be a prospective or retrospective study accomplished while in training in Chattanooga. Exceptions to the “while in training in Chattanooga” provision will be considered only on a case-by-case basis by the Research Week Selection Committee. A case report must be a scholarly analysis on an uncommon disease or uncommon presentation of a common disease encountered while training in Chattanooga. Residents may submit multiple abstracts for consideration by the Committee.

Approximately twenty individuals will be chosen to prepare poster presentations. The best four - six abstracts will be honored by the residents being asked to present their topics just before a dinner on April 29. These will be the only oral presentations given. The poster presentations will be 3’ x 7” mounted on 4’ x 8’ poster board and will be displayed for the entire week, April 25 - 29, in the Medical Mall Atrium. Two “Poster Walking Rounds” will be conducted in the morning and the afternoon on Friday, April 29. Award winning posters will be honored at the dinner that evening at an outside venue. Since selections will be made on the basis of the abstracts submitted, the quality of the abstracts is extremely important. Residents should submit typed abstracts on the required form, and should make certain grammar is correct and that the document has been through “spell check.” The font used should be Times New Roman 12 pitch. Residents should limit the abstract narrative to the space allocated on the one-page form. All Department Coordinators should have the abstract form on their office computers. Abstracts should include:

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Each resident should check with the appropriate chairman to determine whether or not that department requires that an abstract be submitted.

**DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS:** Tuesday, February 15, 2005. Residents must submit their abstracts on disk or via email to their respective program director. Given the program director’s/chairman’s electronic approval, the Residency Coordinator will send the abstracts via Erlanger email to Margaret Lifsey, Administrative Assistant for Graduate Medical Education ([Margaret.lifsey@erlanger.org](mailto:Margaret.lifsey@erlanger.org)). The Research Abstract Selection Committee will review all abstracts and select those to be presented. The residents selected for poster presentations and the six residents selected to give oral presentations will be announced by Friday, February 25 to allow ample time for the participants to prepare posters or oral presentations.

The awards dinner and ceremonies will take place on the evening of **April 29.** Details will be sent separately. The oral presentations will be approximately eight minutes each and will be heard during the hour prior to dinner. All residents, faculty and spouses will be invited to attend both the oral presentations and the dinner, sponsored and funded by Erlanger. Cash awards and plaques will be given at the end of the evening to the oral presenters as well as to the best posters. We hope that you will make plans now to attend. **Please mark your calendar!**
COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course offers presentations on the current challenges in clinical research and the responsibilities of researchers and administrators related to the protection of human subjects as well as the protection of investigators and institutions. Speakers include experts in the fields of research, philosophy, and technology promotion. This half-day CEU/CME accredited course will provide practical information to those dedicated to the mission of clinical research and protection of human subjects.

REGISTRATION
Online registration
Available at the CME website, www.cmeconferences.org. Additional information is available through the Continuing Medical Education Office, 423-778-6884.

By phone:
Call the Office of Human Subject Protections at 423-778-3899.

COURSE FEE
There is no fee for this conference. Support for our speakers is provided by the Office of the Vice-Chancellor for Research, University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center. Break refreshments are provided by the University of Tennessee College of Medicine-Chattanooga Unit Office of Graduate Medical Education. Continuing education credit is provided by the Erlanger Office of Continuing Medical Education.

SCHEDULE
8:00 Welcome
Ron Blankenbaker, MD
Associate Dean
University of Tennessee College of Medicine--Chattanooga Unit

8:15 Internal Medicine Grand Rounds
Special Challenges of High-Profile Research: The AbioCor Artificial Heart Project
E. Haavi Morreim, PhD
Professor, Human Values and Ethics
University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center

9:15 Challenges of Subject Recruitment and FDA Oversight of Clinical Trials
Thomas Devlin, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor, Internal Medicine
University of Tennessee College of Medicine--Chattanooga Unit

10:00 Break

10:15 From Clinical Research to Clinical Trials
Rich Metzger, PhD
Professor, Psychology
University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

10:45 Research Development: How, Why, and What's in it for You?
Nicole Baute Honoree, MS
Former Executive Director
Technology Development
University of South Alabama

11:30 Discussion
Questions from the audience will be submitted to the speakers for comment and discussion.