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A Publication from the Chief of Staff and Chief Medical Officer

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Celebrating SJO Medical Staff Members' Milestone Service Anniversaries

Congratulations to these 152 distinguished physicians on their achievement!

All honorees are invited to be our guests of honor at a September Culture of Caring session.

45 Years

Michael Cater, MD, Pediatrics
John German MD, Ped Surgery

40 Years

Kevin Huntsman, MD, Hospitalist
James Law, MD, Pulmonary
Garo Tertzakian, MD, Urology
I. Ridgeway Trimble, MD, Emerg Med
Ivan Turpin, MD, Plast & Recon Surg

35 Years

Robert Armen, MD, Infectious Dis
Kathleen Gallaher, MD, Fam Med
Keith Gladstein, MD, Pediatrics
John Luster, MD, Family Med
Sanford Ratner, DDS, Oral &
Maxillofacial Surgery
Jack Stewart, MD, Pulmonary
Gregory Wolf, MD, Family Med

30 Years

Jay Applebaum, MD, Dermatology
Monica Aszterbaum, MD, Gynecology
Dorit Ben-Ezer, MD, Ped Nephrology
John Brown, MD, Gyn Oncology
Lisa Gorab, MD, Pediatrics
Catherine Lawson, MD, Internal Med
Barry Marfleet, MD, Family Med
Sarah Mosko, PhD, Clin Psychology
Kusum Ohri, MD, Internal Medicine
Nabil Phillips, MD, Hem/Oncology
John Sarkaria, MD, Internal Med
Kevin Triggs, MD, Ortho Surgery
Jon White, MD, Ortho Surgery
Samy Younis, MD, Internal Med

25 Years

Farhouch Berdjis, MD, Pediatric
Cardiology
Barton Billeci, MD, Internal Med
Lourdes Brown, MD, Pediatrics
James Burris, DO, Family Med
Luis Chanes, MD, Ophthalmology
John Cleary, MD, Neonatal-Perinatal

Semira Dariushnia, MD, Fam Med
Vijay Dhar, MD, Neonatal-Perinatal
Minh Canh Do, MD, Nephrology
Raul Estrada, MD, Pediatrics
Richard Faraday, MD, Inf Disease
Donna Frisch, MD, Internal Med
Teresa Garcia, MD, OB/Gyn
Richard Gates, MD, Thoracic Surg
Bala Gulasekaram, MD, Psychiatry
Mark Halikis, MD, Ortho Surgery
Amer Jabara, MD, Nephrology
Daniel Jimenez, MD, Family Med
Lisa Kohorn, MD, Pathology
Heran Park, MD, Pediatrics
Carla Wells, MD, OB/Gyn
Jacobo Wolsztein, MD, Pediatrics

20 Years

Nicole Awad, MD, Family Medicine
Ambika Bali, MD, Gastroenterology
Bruno Bucci, MD, Family Medicine
Gregory Carlson, MD, Ortho Surg
Ian Chait, MD, Anesthesiology
David Chamberlin, MD, Urology
Clifford Char, MD, Anesthesiology
Evangelos Coskinas, MD, Psychiatry
Nguyen Dang, MD, Internal Med
Alex Dariushnia MD, Family Med
Navid Ghalambor, MD, Ortho Surg
Kenneth Grant, MD, Pediatric Gastro
Matthew Greenberger, MD, Urology
Tony Ho, MD, Anesthesiology
Shaheen Idries, MD, Pediatric Gastro
Mitchell Katz, MD, Pediatric Gastro
Vinh Lam, MD, Pediatric Surgery
Eunice Lee, MD, Gynecology
Althea Molarte, MD, Ophthalmology
Anjali Monga, MD, Pediatrics
Kevin Pham, MD, Nephrology
Joseph Renzi, DDS, Dentistry
Keith Rundle, MD, Ophthalmology
Michael Schoen, MD, Pathology
Sean Sterling, PhD, Clin Psychology
Katarzyna Tesmer, MD, Neo-Perinatal

John Van, DDS, Dentistry

15 Years

Jose Abdenur, MD, Clinical
Biochemical Genetics
Allan Akerman, MD, OB/Gyn
Lars Anker, MD, Neurological Surg
Susan Ban, MD, Internal Medicine
Daryoush Bassiri, MD, Neonatal-Peri
Carlos Blanche, MD, Thoracic Surg
Anthony Cherin, MD, Ped Critical Care
David Chun, MD, Ped Cardiology
William Cohen, DO, Otolaryngology
Regina Cuenca, DO, Internal Med
Jason DaCosta, MD, Anesthesiology
William Davis, MD, General Surgery
Victoria Greblya, MD, Internal Med
Scott Harrison, MD, Pediatrics
Victor Hsu, MD, Infectious Disease
Dina Iwai, MD, Pediatric Critical Care
Joseph Kim, MD, Anesthesiology
Richard Kim, MD, Neurological Surg
Jason Knight, MD, Ped Critical Care
Virany Kreng, MD, Family Medicine
Francois Lalonde, MD, Ortho Surgery
Ashley Mires, MD, Internal Med
Geetha Puthenveetil, MD, Pediatric
Hematology/Oncology
Mahmood Razavi, MD, Interv Rad
Jacob Sweidan, MD, Pediatrics
Christopher Tan, MD, Ped Cardiology
Dan Tran, MD, Ophthalmology
Thanh Tran, MD, Anesthesiology
Hieu Truong, MD, Radiology
Timothy You, MD, Ophthalmology
Linda Zeineh, MD, Plastic &
Reconstructive Surgery

10 Years

Morris Ahdoot, MD, OB/Gyn
Reema Basu, MD, Pediatrics
Reshmi Basu, MD, Pediatrics
Shawn Beck, MD, Urology
Kushal Bhakta, MD, Neo-Perinatal
Peter Birnbaum, DO, Ortho Surgery

Dominic Blurton, MD, Ped Cardiology
Robert Bristow, MD, Gyn/Oncology
Judith Chung, MD, Maternal-Fetal
Jason Cook, MD, Ped Critical Care
Puneet Dhawan, MD, Thoracic Surg
Nita Doshi, MD, Ped Cardiology
Raafat Girgis, MD, Psychiatry
Afshan Hameed, MD, Maternal-
Fetal Medicine
Angela Herrmann, MD, Pediatrics
Jeffrey Ho, DO, Pediatric Gastro
Sophia Jones, MD, Pediatrics
Ashish Kalthia, MD, Nephrology
Andrew Knoll, MD, Radiology
Edward (Eddy) Lee, MD, Anesth
Llanyee Liwanpo, MD,
Endocrinology & Metabolism
Carol Major, MD, Maternal-Fetal
Ajay Meka, MD, Internal Med
Alberto Mendivil, MD, Gyn/Oncology
Gira Morchi, MD, Ped Cardiology
Shoba Narayan, MD, Pediatric
Nephrology
Hai Nguyen, MD, Anesthesiology
Sarah O'Loughlin, MD, Pediatrics
Anup Patel, MD, Pediatric Gastro
Manuel Porto, MD, Maternal-Fetal
Melissa Rudolph, MD, Emerg Med
Samireh Said, MD, Dermatology
Sasan Salmi, MD, Internal Med
Priya Shah, MD, Endocrinology &
Metabolism
Vivian Tanaka, MD, Anesthesiology
Krishnansu Tewari, MD, Gyn/Onc
Julianne Toohey, MD, Maternal-
Fetal Medicine
Taylor Tran, MD, Pediatrics
Marisa Turner, MD, Pediatrics
Justin West, MD, Plas & Recon Surg
Sarah Whang, MD, Ophthalmology
Christopher Yao, MD, Emerg Med
Frank Yelian, MD, Reproductive
Endocrinology

Culture of Caring 2020 is coming the week of Sept. 14-18, 8 - 9 a.m.

Medical Staff are invited to attend these inspiring sessions.

Please watch for more details, and RSVP to the Medical Staff Office at 714-771-8056.

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Update Your Image

Please plan to stop by one of the professional portrait session set for Wednesdays, Sept. 9 and Oct. 14 from 11 a.m. – 1p.m., Bldg. 1 basement Pathology Lab conference room. New portraits will be used on your physician web page and on your security badge.

IN MEMORIAM

Paul Constantine, MD, Family Practice, 1937- 2020
Mercer McClure, MD, Ophthalmology, 1941- 2020

It is with heavy hearts we announce the passing of two retired St. Joseph Hospital physicians. Both were long-standing and well respected physicians in our community, serving our Dear Neighbor. They will be missed. Dr. Constantine passed on April 4 due to COVID-19. He joined the St. Joseph Hospital Medical Staff in October 1983, and retired to the Emeritus Staff in 2017. A complete obituary is found at obits.ocregister.com.



Paul

Constantine, MD



Mercer
McClure, MD

Dr. McClure joined the Medical Staff in 1975 and retired to Emeritus Staff in 2000. He passed away July 14 after a fall and head injury at home. Read more about his life at obits.ocregister.com. Donations in memory of a physician may be made to the St. Joseph Hospital Foundation by calling 714-347-7900 or through the Foundation website, sjo.org/waystogive. Please note who you wish to honor with the gift.

The 2020 Administrative Leadership Scholarship in honor of Larry K. Ainsworth was presented to Associate Policy Resident Coordinator in Physician Education Brianna Mejia by Chief of Staff Brian Boyd, MD. Brianna just completed her MBA and will start a Ph.D. program in Health Policy and Leadership at Loma Linda University in September. Her goal is to advocate for underserved and underinsured to create healthier communities. The Medical Staff established the Administrative Leadership Scholarship as a vehicle to honor past chief executive officers. It pays tribute to Mr. Ainsworth's 16 years of leadership, partnership with the Medical Staff, and visionary work extending health and wellness to the underserved.



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EPCS – Compliance Deadline Ahead

The Patients and Communities Act, signed into federal law in Oct. 2018, includes an electronic prescribing requirement for all controlled substance prescriptions under Medicare part D drugs. Deadline to comply with the bill implemented to address the opioid abuse epidemic is **Jan. 1, 2021**. Prescribers of controlled substances are encouraged to sign-up for Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances (EPCS) before the deadline. With the mandated deadline of January 2021 quickly approaching, it's important to sign up as soon as possible if you have not done so already. Please contact the Clinical Informatics Department for assistance in EPCS enrollment at 714-771-8000 ext. 17996 or by email, PHJHClinicalInformaticsSoCalOCHDStJosephOrangeAcute@providence.org.