



First Midwife-assisted Birth at SJO



Congratulations to Reyna Flores, Daniel Johnson and their baby boy, Harley, welcomed Oct. 1. Thank you to the midwife, Vicki, and Dr. Allan Akerman for delivering this personalized care for our Labor and Delivery patients.

COVID-19: Deferred Care Puts Lives at Risk

A Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study reveals the extent to which adults are bypassing medical care because of their COVID-19-related concerns: 41% of U.S. adults delayed or avoided medical care as of June 30. This includes urgent or emergency care (12%) and routine care (32%). The trend was more prevalent among unpaid caregivers for adults, individuals with underlying medical conditions, Black adults, Hispanic adults, young adults, and individual with disabilities. Locally this fall, deferment has continued, as evidenced by reports from Medical Staff. AHA warns that such deferrals are putting lives at risk unnecessarily during the COVID-19 public health emergency, and urges patients to seek necessary care.

Hoag's Desire to Disaffiliate from Providence

Chief Executive of Providence Southern California Erik Wexler presents key facts on Hoag's desire to seek independence from its affiliation with Providence. He states, "We were surprised and disappointed when Hoag filed a lawsuit to dissolve the affiliation in the midst of an unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic. Let me be clear: at Providence, we're working to preserve this affiliation because we believe it's in the best interest of Orange County." Learn more at providenceoc.org.

National Medical Staff Services

Awareness Week | November 1-7, 2020

Medical Services Professionals: Gatekeepers of Patient Safety

Please join us in recognizing the Medical Staff Services team for their vital work to ensure quality of care through credentialing, regulatory and accreditation compliance and other Medical Staff functions.

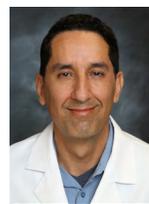
Seasonal Flu Shots through Oct. 31

St. Joseph Hospital is offering flu shots now through Oct. 31. Shots will be administered in nursing units 24/7 and weekdays in Caregiver Health Services from 7:45 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. As of Nov. 2, flu shots are available by appointment only. Our goal is to achieve 100 percent participation of our workforce and Medical Staff against the flu.

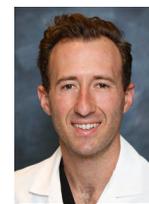
Welcome New Medical Staff Members



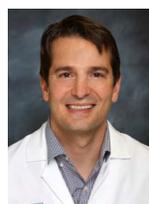
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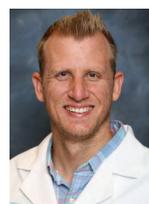
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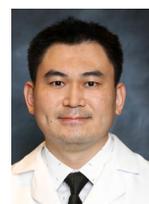
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Sign Up for Doximity by Oct. 31

More than 70 percent of U.S. doctors and 45 percent of all NPs and PAs are verified members of Doximity. It is used to search, find and reach any other health care provider, instantly; earn CME/CE; and send/receive faxes, without a fax machine. Doximity also partners with *US News & World Report* to assist with their physician survey process for the annual Best Hospital rankings. **Claim your profile on Doximity by Oct. 31 to be eligible to vote in the 2020 survey. Please register by visiting [Doximity.com](https://www.doximity.com).**

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\$685,000+ Raised for New PCU via Celebration 2020 Change Through Challenge



Prioritizing the safety and well-being of donors, volunteers and caregivers led to an extraordinary celebration this year. Congratulations to the Celebration 2020 committee, Co-chairs Alison Gooding-Barry, Charlene Immell and Amir Ghiassi, MD, and Honorary Chairs Marsha Moeller and Peter Smethurst, MD, the St. Joseph Hospital Foundation and all who supported a highly successful "The Biggest Night In!" From the comfort of their homes, guests enjoyed entertainment, dinner, an online auction and more while raising funds for SJO's new Progressive Care Unit (PCU). This much-needed, specialized unit with an additional 20 beds and highly trained caregivers will offer a high level of care for future patients. Physicians have an opportunity to leave a legacy and add their names to the Physician Champion Wall in the new PCU by committing to \$25k over 5 years. For details, please contact Katie.McInerney@stjoe.org. Thank you to the physicians who have already generously supported the PCU Physician Champion Wall.