

MEDICAL STAFF BRIEFS

A Publication from the Chief of Staff and Chief Medical Officer



March 2023

DOCTOR'S DAY LUNCHEON
Doctors Dining Room
Thursday, March 30th • 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

LUAU

ALSO • On Saturday, May 20th, we're planning a very special Luau, complete with fire dancer & Hawaiian fare. The event will begin at 5 p.m. at The Met in Costa Mesa. More details to come!

Medical Staff WINS

Kolski Coauthors CHEETAH Clinical Trial in Major AHA Publication



Congratulations to St. Joseph Hospital Director of Structural Heart Disease Brian C. Kolski, MD, a coauthor of "Sustained

Mechanical Aspiration Thrombectomy for High Thrombus Burden Coronary Vessel Occlusion: The Multicenter CHEETAH Study," published Feb. 21, 2023, in the high-impact journal of the American Heart Association *Circulation: Cardiovascular Interventions*.

Dr. Kolski states, "The CHEETAH trial was one of the largest trials of its kind. We can be very proud that St. Joes was one of the leading enrollers."

The CHEETAH study screened 1,380 patients and enrolled 400 with a mean age of 60.4 years from 25 hospitals across the U.S. from Aug. 2019 to Dec. 2020, following them for 180 days. Study results suggest that selective sustained mechanical aspiration thrombectomy prior to percutaneous coronary intervention in high thrombus burden acute coronary syndrome patients may be appropriate; and that based on final angiography, the Indigo CAT RX Aspiration System was safe and associated with reduction of thrombus burden, restoration of flow and normalization of myocardial perfusion.

2023 U.S. News Best Hospitals Annual Survey

Doctors: Make your voice heard and acknowledge the excellent care delivered in your specialty at Providence St. Joseph Hospital. Voting takes place February through March. [Doximity.com](https://www.doximity.com) is the largest online social network in the country for health professionals and is the exclusive survey administrator for the U.S. News Best Hospitals survey.



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- Complete the Nomination Form for your specialty

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ROBOTIC SURGERY

Congratulations to Providence St. Joseph Hospital thoracic surgeon and Medical Director of Thoracic Oncology John Maurice, MD, who recently completed his 200th procedure with Ion, Intuitive's robotic-assisted platform for minimally invasive lung biopsies. In 2020, SJO and Dr. Maurice became one of the early adopters of this revolutionary bronchoscopy platform.

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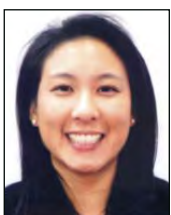
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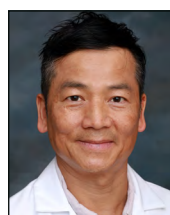
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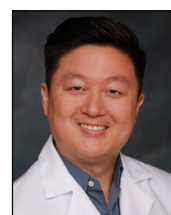
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