

JHSMH facilities receive Chest Pain Center Accreditation

Jewish Hospital and St. Mary's HealthCare (JHSMH) is the first health care organization in the Louisville area to receive system-wide Chest Pain Center Accreditation from the Society of Chest Pain Centers and Providers (SCPCP) for all its emergency departments. The three-year accreditation was given to the downtown Jewish Hospital, Jewish Hospital Medical Center East in Dupont, Jewish Hospital Shelbyville in Shelbyville and Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital in the south end of Louisville. Jewish Hospital Medical Center East is the first freestanding emergency department in the U.S. to receive such accreditation. In addition, JHSMH had the only facilities in Louisville and Shelbyville to achieve accreditation with distinction.

The designation of Accredited Chest Pain Center is given to those facilities that have made a commitment to providing patients with consistent quality in the delivery of emergency care based on national guidelines established by leaders in cardiovascular and emergency medicine.

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U.S. News & World Report Ranks Jewish Hospital Among Nation's Top 50 Hospitals

For the second consecutive year, Jewish Hospital has been ranked among the nation's hospitals in *U.S. News & World Report's* annual "America's Best Hospitals" feature. Of the 5,189 hospitals evaluated for the 2006 report, only 176 received scores high enough to qualify for rankings in the 16 specialty areas. Jewish Hospital is the only hospital in Louisville and only one of three hospitals in Kentucky to make the list of the "50 Best Hospitals."

"Making 'America's Best Hospitals' list two years in a row for heart and heart surgery care, and adding us to the list for respiratory is a great accomplishment for Jewish Hospital," said Robert L. Shircliff, President and Chief Executive Officer of Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare. "We are again being recognized as a center that takes on and excels at tough procedures and conditions. A difficult condition or a complex operation demands a higher standard of care, especially if the risk is compounded by advanced age, frailty, obesity, or some other complication. Jewish Hospital receives some of the sickest patients who need advanced care because Jewish Hospital has a reputation for pioneering new treatment guidelines and conducting bench-to-bedside research to improve care."

"We received this ranking as being the best in the area because our team of physicians, nurses, technicians, administrators and other health service professionals are providing our patients with the best care available," said Timothy L. Jarm, President of Jewish Hospital and JHSMH Vice President. "Patients come to us because they trust us and we have the best physicians, staff and technology available. They know that whether they are here for a simple diagnostic test or a complex surgery, we will take care of them with the latest advances in imaging, surgical devices, and other technologies. Our outstanding surgical team and outcomes coupled with expertise helps ensure our patients return to normal life as quickly as possible."

In order to be considered, hospitals had to meet at least one of three criteria: Membership in the Association of American Medical Colleges' Council of Teaching Hospitals and Health Systems, affiliation with a medical school, or availability of a minimum of nine of 18 key technologies. Hospitals were assigned scores within each specialty area based on measures including their reputations among board-certified specialists; severity-adjusted mortality rates; and other factors, such as nurse-to-patient ratios and adoption of new technologies.

A new Bullitt County address

Jewish Hospital Medical Center South opens its doors May 15

Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare opened its newest facility on May 15 in Bullitt County, Kentucky. Located just off the Brooks Road exit of Interstate 65, Jewish Hospital Medical Center South (JHMCS) is a state-of-the-art outpatient and emergency-care facility designed to bring convenient medical services and cutting-edge equipment to an area that has long been without the benefits of a healthcare facility close to home.

"Bullitt County is one of Kentucky's largest and fastest growing counties," said Brian Doheny, President and Chief Executive Officer for JHMCS. "Until now, this community has been without an outpatient surgery center, emergency care and comprehensive diagnostic services. With the opening of JHMCS, we can provide quality patient care and advanced treatment options with leading-edge technology."

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New Health Resource Center opens at St. Mary's

Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation opened a new Health Resource Center in the main lobby of Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital (SSME) on Tuesday, July 25. The new center provides comprehensive resources for patients and families coping with cancer and other conditions like diabetes and lung disease—and it promotes good health. The center offers an array of education and support services with an emphasis on healing in body, mind, and spirit that is a Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital hallmark. The new Health Resource Center features:

- Library of books and tapes
- Internet access to digital libraries
- Nutrition classes
- Free screenings for depression, anxiety and memory loss
- Emotional counseling
- Seminars promoting good health like smoking cessation and weight loss
- Children's area
- Contemplative garden

For more information on the new Health Resource Center at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital, contact Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital at 361-6000.



At the podium, Sts. Mary & Elizabeth CEO Thomas D. Gessel opens the new Health Resource Center.

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Eleventh Annual Doctors' Ball to be held Oct. 21

The 11th Annual Doctors' Ball -- a black tie gala sponsored by the Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation and honoring physicians and community leaders for excellence and innovation in health care -- will be held on Saturday, Oct. 21, at the Marriott Louisville Downtown, 280 West Jefferson, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Ballroom. Cocktails and a Silent Auction will be followed by dinner, an awards ceremony and dancing 'til midnight

The 2006 Doctors Ball honorees are:

Robert R. Goodin, M.D., Ephraim McDowell Physician of the Year

Richard Northern, Community Leader of the Year

Robert G. Hammer, M.D., Horizon Award Winner

John L. Roberts, M.D., Excellence in Education

Laman Gray, M.D. & Robert Dowling, M.D., Excellence in Research

Donald H. Mosley, M.D., Excellence in Community Service

Benjamin Rigor, M.D., Excellence in International Humanitarian Service

Norma Mason-Stikes, R.N., Excellence in Nursing

Julio C. Melo, M.D., Compassionate Physician Award

Funds raised by The Doctors' Ball support JHSMH which is critically important to the health and well being of people across Kentuckiana. Its 8,100 health care "heroes" will touch the lives of more than 770,000 patients this year and provide charity care in excess of \$38 million.

For more information on the gala event or to purchase tickets, contact the Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation at (502) 587-3857.

New hope for spinal injuries Frazier Rehab, U of L launch Locomotor Program

Frazier Rehab Institute recently unveiled a promising new rehabilitative therapy for patients with spinal-cord injuries. Developed in conjunction with Dr. Susan Harkema of the University of Louisville's Department of Neurological Surgery, the Locomotor Program utilizes a three-stage process to help put persons without the ability to walk back on their own two feet.

"In the past," says Joanne Berryman, JHSMH Senior Vice President, "the focus of rehabilitation has been to help patients regain functionality, as well as to retain bone and muscle mass. With the introduction of Dr. Harkema's locomotor training, we can extend the benefits of rehab to persons suffering from injuries to the nervous system." Locomotor training has three major components:

- **Step training** uses a treadmill and body-weight support to refamiliarize a patient's nervous system with the motor patterns of walking
- **Overground walking** helps the trainee move from the limited environment of step training to overground environments
- **Community ambulation** returns the patient to his or her home environment, with an emphasis on safe and effective walking.

Locomotor training also has healthy side effects. "Wheelchair-bound patients can have a host of problems related to their loss of mobility," says Berryman. "By helping our patients get back on their feet, locomotor training reduces certain sedentary risk factors."

Northup announces funding for Our Lady of Peace

On June 17, U.S. Representative Anne Northup, R-3rd District, announced funding for nine local projects for Louisville organizations totaling more than \$6 million in federal aid under an appropriations bill approved in mid-June by the House of Representatives and by the U.S. Senate in late June.

In line to receive \$300,000 is Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation to help Our Lady of Peace (OLOP) construct two nine-bed psychiatric residential treatment facilities (PRTFs) for children and adolescents. The units are planned near Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital in southwest Jefferson County.

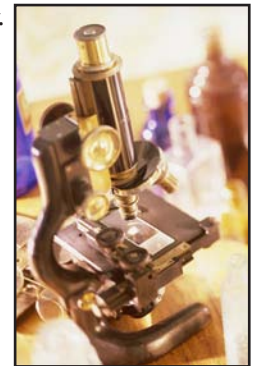


Speaking during the Northup news conference is Alice O. Bridges, Vice President of the Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's Foundation.

CON granted for Ambulatory Care Center in northeast Jefferson County

The Certificate of Need (CON) to construct an Ambulatory Care Center in northeastern Jefferson County was approved on June 22 by the CON department in Frankfort, Ky.

The center will be a two-story, 86,000 square foot building and will contain urgent/emergency care, diagnostics, and laboratory services. The second floor will house physician offices. In addition, JHSMH will seek to relocate the CORF currently located at Olympia Park and also seek to move a CON for MRI services. *Med Staff News* will provide more details on the proposed center in a future issue.



Network MedStaffNEWS

Network MedStaff News is published by the Marketing & Communication Department of JHSMH. If you have questions about the newsletter or have news to submit for publication, call Daniel Shaw at (502) 562-7047.

Jewish Hospital Hospitality Program partners with Downtown Hampton Inn

On June 29, The Inn at Jewish Hospital closed and the property was sold to an Indianapolis developer. As a result of the sale, the Jewish Hospital Hospitality Program began partnering with the Downtown Hampton Inn at 101 Jefferson Street in Louisville.

The Hampton Inn is conveniently located and will offer guests a variety of amenities, including free shuttle service to and from the hospital. A block of rooms has been reserved for Jewish Hospital and will be booked on a first-come, first-served basis through Guest Relations, (502) 587-4797.

The 2006 business plan for Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare (JHSMH) identified opportunities that will enable the organization to remain focused on its primary mission and provide additional resources to JHSMH to invest in patient care. One of the opportunities identified was the sale of The Inn. Should you have questions about the partnership with the Hampton Inn, please contact Pamela Best at (502) 587-2882.



Physician Profile Doctor's donation targets college for Bullitt County

That physicians play a critical role in the health of a community is a given. It's no coincidence that, in the U.S., the growth of the medical profession has been accompanied by a general increase in life expectancies. That's why, when other businesses talk about the need to "give back to the community," physicians would seem to be exempt. By caring for people when they're ill, physicians give back to the community on a daily basis.

While not disputing any of this, Mohana Arla, M.D., a family practitioner in Bullitt County, sees another dimension to the issue. "People have a high level of trust in their doctors," says Dr. Arla. "We can do more for them than just treat them when they're sick." To illustrate what he means, Arla recently put up \$100,000 of his own money as a seed fund for establishing a college in Bullitt County – "the largest county in Kentucky without a college of its own," he notes.



Dr. Mohana Arla announces his commitment to continuing education in Bullitt County.

Committed to community

Dedication to community is nothing new for Dr. Arla, an immigrant from India who has been practicing medicine in the U.S. for 27 years. His practice, Bullitt County Family Practitioners, maintains offices in Hillview and Lebanon Junction. He also helped pave the way for the Jewish Hospital Medical Center South. To ensure that Med Center South had a complete lineup of diagnostic equipment, including MRI scanning, Arla joined others in lobbying Frankfort for a critical legal concession. "People told me it was impossible but we were able to get the change in the law," he says. He was motivated by a desire "to be good to the community that has been so good to me."

Now Arla has turned his sights on higher education, the second phase of a personal three-part plan for improving the well being of every Bullitt Countian. (Phase three will center on public awareness of wellness, including a twice-annual walkathon.) "Many of the health problems I see are related to lifestyle choices such as poor diet, lack of exercise and smoking," he says.

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Lawrence G. Goldberg, M.D. Named Medical Director for JHSMH.

Being accessible to physicians is important to Jewish Hospital and St. Mary's HealthCare's (JHSMH) new medical director, Lawrence (Larry) Goldberg, M.D. Since taking on that position for both hospitals in March 2006, he has made a habit of answering his own phone to field incoming questions or concerns. He eats lunch in St. Mary's Doctor's Lounge on a regular basis to listen to any problems and maintains an open door policy at his office. This is all part of his every day effort to establish a one-to-one relationship with physicians of both medical staffs.



Dr. Goldberg brings 35 years of medical experience to his new role, 27 of which were in the active practice of Thoracic Surgery. As medical director he serves as a liaison between the medical staff and administration of both hospitals.

"I understand the problems physicians face each day, even the unique issues that may exist between physicians and surgeons," he said. His goal, he added, "is to improve communication between physicians and the administration."

To demonstrate his leadership capability, Dr. Goldberg was asked to participate in the writing of the bylaws for the newly-formed health care system, applying his perspective as a physician to the process.

As medical director, he serves as the physician advisor for Care Management, chairman of the Cardiology Board at St. Mary's and attends meetings for the Medical Staff, including the Credentialing and By-laws Committees. He is in daily contact with Lynn Simon, M.D., Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Jewish Hospital and Tom Gessel, CEO of Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital.

Dr. Goldberg graduated from University of Louisville and then attended Louisville Medical School. He interned for one year and completed four years of a General Surgery residency with an additional two years in Thoracic Surgery at U of L-affiliated hospitals. His experience also included a three-month rotation at the Mayo Clinic in surgical pathology.

For leisure, he enjoys gardening, his computer and the company of his wife, children and five grandchildren.

He can be reached at (502) 367-3321, or by email at Larry.Goldberg@JHSMH.org.

Hand Care Center celebrates Five Year Anniversary

The Kleinert Kutz Hand Care Center marked its first five years in operation with a gala reception on Monday, Aug. 21, on the 16th floor of the Rudd Heart and Lung Center. The reception celebrated the many outstanding accomplishments of the center, including numerous landmarks in the treatment and repair of hand, arms and shoulder injuries. Featured for special attention were Harold Kleinert, M.D., and Joe Kutz, M.D., the world-renowned hand surgeons who, with their colleagues, stand at the center of the JHSMH hand-care program.



Internationally acclaimed hand surgeons Dr. Joe Kutz (left) and Dr. Harold Kleinert celebrate the success of the Kleinert Kutz Hand Care Center with a hearty “high five.” Their long-time partnership with Jewish Hospital and the University of Louisville School of Medicine has made Louisville a world capital of hand and microsurgery.

Robert L. Shircliff, President and CEO for Jewish Hospital & St. Mary’s HealthCare, noted in opening remarks: “Thanks to the physicians of Kleinert and Kutz, the Hand Center is internationally recognized, and brings the latest advances in medicine and treatment in hand and microsurgery.” This is also a collaboration with several orthopaedic surgeons, such as Dave Caborn, M.D., Akbar Nawab, M.D. and Mark Petrik, M.D.

When it opened in August 2001, the center was the first of its kind in the U.S. to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week with an emergency room, operating suites and an overnight recovery center. Since that time, more than 20,000 procedures treating a wide variety of conditions have been performed.

“The coming together of Kleinert and Kutz and JHSMH in the Hand Care Center is the capstone of a 50-year relationship,” said Kim Hite, Assistant Vice President of Hand and Microsurgery. She noted that the University of Louisville School of Medicine also plays a crucial role in the center’s success.

Physicians affiliated with the Hand Care Center have achieved an impressive number of firsts in their field. These include:

- The world’s first and second successful hand transplants
- The world’s first reported repair of a digital artery
- The world’s first double forearm transplantation
- The world’s first double upper-arm replantation
- The world’s first distal ulnar joint implant procedure
- The region’s first UniSpacer knee surgery

Shircliff also praised EmployCare’s Occupational Medicine Services which works with UPS and Ford to provide health care and drug screenings on a 24/7 basis, as well as the outstanding orthopaedic physicians and sports medicine specialists who practice there.

In closing, Shircliff said, “Today, we celebrate an important five-year milestone, the outstanding physicians who practice in this facility and the many patient success stories we have experienced here.”

Jewish Hospital to resume AbioCor heart implant surgeries in 2007

Abiomed, Inc., the developer and manufacturer of the AbioCor Implantable Replacement Heart -- the first completely self-contained artificial heart that is designed to extend the lives of patients who would otherwise die of heart failure -- announced Sept. 5 that it has received a Humanitarian Device Exemption (HDE) from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to perform AbioCor implants to a limited patient population of no more than 4,000 people annually.

Jewish Hospital, which was the first AbioCor clinical test site, will be among the first hospitals to offer patients the AbioCor heart under the HDE when the surgeries resume in 2007. The Jewish Hospital/University of Louisville team, led by surgeons Laman Gray Jr., M.D. and Rob Dowling, M.D. performed the first and second AbioCor Implantable replacement heart procedures in the world and a total of seven implants since 2001 at Jewish Hospital. Abiomed intends to make the AbioCor available through a controlled roll-out at approximately five to 10 heart hospitals in the United States.

“The AbioCor has the potential to fill a very real void,” says Dr. Gray, Professor of Surgery and Director of the Division of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. “Patients in bi-ventricular heart failure who were not candidates for a heart transplant often do not have adequate support with drug therapy or even other destination-therapy ventricular assist devices that are designed to boost only one side of the heart. Now we can continue to treat these severely ill heart failure patients.”

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Noting the correlation between improved self-care and higher levels of education, Arla reasons that having a college in Bullitt County would increase the likelihood that more young people would pursue an advanced degree. "Now people must leave home or drive to Louisville for classes," he says. "A local college would open the doors of higher education for students who don't currently have that option."

With his trademark optimism, Arla thinks there is a good chance that Bullitt County will be able to land or establish a college in the next two to five years. To stoke momentum, he has challenged everyone in the community to chip in at least one dollar of seed money – "and the donations are pouring in," he says. Several interested parties, including local businesses, Chamber officials and government representatives, appear to be on board. Arla sees a lesson for physicians in all this: "There's more to giving back than philanthropy. If we can help our communities based on their health needs, we're meeting our moral obligations as doctors."

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Physician Satisfaction Action Plan Underway

A recent survey of JHSMH Medical Staff has led to a plan to increase physician satisfaction within four core areas: Quality, Efficiency, Input/Communication and Reward/Recognition.

The study, conducted by The Jackson Organization, was designed to ensure overall satisfaction throughout both hospitals, including increasing and encouraging more patient and employee satisfaction. To date, several key factors are under way and/or resolved:

QUALITY

- Physicians were asked to participate in the selection of a Chief Nursing Officer at Jewish Hospital.
- An increase in physician rounding on a regular basis.

EFFICIENCY

- Completion of the Nurse's Unit Tool Kit, Got Chart; Got Facts and Physician Call Logs.

This will help improve communication between physicians and nurses immediately.

INPUT/COMMUNICATION

- *MedStaff News*
- More written communication like *MedStaff*, to be available in September 2006
- Physician Only Website Portal
- Communication Boards/Plasma Screens
- Yearly Survey
- MEC Participation in Strategic Planning
- JHSMH Resource Binder, to be ready by the end of the year

REWARD/RECOGNITION

- Way To Go Doc
- Thank You Notes
- 90-day letter from facility CEOs for new physicians
- Physician appreciation events
- Recognition of Medical Staff leaders

Aortic Stent Graft Implanted at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital for First Time

The first endovascular aortic stent grafts to be implanted at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital were completed on Sept. 6, 2006. Franco Rea, M.D., a Louisville thoracic surgeon, worked closely with radiologists and the team at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital to place the grafts and provide a treatment never before offered at the facility.

The implantable device called an "endoprosthesis" is used to treat abdominal aortic aneurysms. An abdominal aortic aneurysm is a ballooning or swelling of the aorta caused by a weakening of the arterial wall which occurs in the abdominal area. The device is implanted through an endovascular repair process.

While similar procedures have been performed throughout the city, this is the first time they've been performed in South Louisville. The new service at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth provides residents in the South Louisville area and surrounding areas the ability to utilize this procedure without leaving their community.

Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare

Our Vision:

The vision of JHSMH is to be the best health system in America, achieving excellence and improving the lives of those we serve and those who serve.

Our Mission:

In consonance with our Jewish and Catholic beliefs, traditions and heritage of service, it is the mission of JHSMH to provide health care services of world-class quality to all people.

Our Values: SERVICE

Stewardship *We will be responsible for safety, cost effectiveness and careful management of our people and resources.*

Excellence *We will provide comprehensive, personalized, compassionate and state-of-the-art care in an environment of social awareness.*

Respect & Integrity *We will be inclusive, truthful and compassionate in the interpersonal relationships among those we serve and those who serve.*

Values *Our values are at the center of everything we do.*

Innovation *We will strive to constantly explore new ways to improve, challenging ourselves to be the best.*

Community Service *We commit to healthy communities by investing in health activities, educational endeavors and community enrichment.*

Education & Research *We will advance the scope and quality of medical and psychiatric care through the promotion of education and research.*



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The SCPCP is a patient-centered professional society with a focus on heart disease and a mission of educating the public and healthcare professionals on the importance of rapid diagnosis and treatment for those experiencing possible symptoms of acute coronary syndromes.

“I think we can all be proud of this latest professional accreditation for our organization, as it reinforces JHSMH’s leadership commitment to offering the highest level of clinical quality care to the residents of this area,” says Robert L Shircliff, JHSMH President. “Our team members are committed to providing the best quality heart care to our patients with the help of expert heart specialists, trained professionals, an integrated emergency department and our approach to emergency care.”

Jewish Hospital Medical Center South opens its doors May 15

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The new 49,000 square-foot facility, situated on a 19-acre campus, is designed to deliver health care and medical services with the consumer in mind. Its close-to-home location will provide outpatient surgical care with 24-hour emergency services, diagnostic imaging, magnetic resonance imaging and ambulatory surgical services. The facility will also offer the Center for Gender-Specific Medicine and outpatient rehabilitation through Frazier Rehab Institute.

“We’re very excited about what JHMCS will be bringing to this community,” said Deborah Molnar, Senior Vice President for Suburban Outpatient Growth at Jewish Hospital & St. Mary’s HealthCare. “For the first time, residents of Bullitt County and surrounding counties will have access to expert care and specialized equipment they otherwise would have driven 30-minutes or more to reach.”

The campus also includes a 24,000 square-foot medical office building, which houses a variety of specialties, including cardiology, general surgery, OB/GYN, orthopedics and others.

Jewish Hospital & St. Mary's HealthCare

Clark Memorial Hospital	Jewish Hospital Hand Care Center	Meade County Health Center	Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital
EmployCare Occupational Health	Jewish Hospital Medical Center East	Our Lady of Peace	Taylor Regional Hospital
Four Courts Senior Center	Jewish Hospital Medical Center South	Rudd Heart and Lung Center	The Inn at Jewish Hospital
Frazier Rehab and Neuroscience Center and Frazier CORF Facilities	Jewish Hospital Outpatient Care Center	Scott Memorial Hospital	University of Louisville Hospital
Jewish Hospital	Jewish Hospital Shelbyville	Southern Indiana Rehab Hospital	VNA Nazareth Home Care