It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the new monthly Pediatric Neurology newsletter! There is a great deal going on in our Division and it is important that all of us and the world know about it! Jim McDowell has worked hard with staff in the Departments of Pediatrics and Neurology and Neurotherapeutics to be sure that our format and content are in agreement with those of UTSW and CMC. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information regarding anything related to our Division be it clinical, educational or related to research. Please feel free to contact Jim for suggestions, corrections and future inclusions. We welcome photos and hyperlinks for everyone's enjoyment. I look forward to celebrating with you the amazing accomplishments of all the members of our Division!

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WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS:

We would like to welcome our new residents to the Pediatric Neurology Department:

Dr. Dallas Stobaugh  Dr. Eric Remster  Dr. Deepali Eksambe
WELCOME NEW FELLOWS

We would like to welcome our newest Fellows to the Pediatric Neurology Department Team:

Dr. Elena Caron—Neuromuscular Medicine
Dr. Asra Akbar—Clinical Neurophysiology
Dr. Jorge Munoz—Clinical Neurophysiology

NEWS OF DIVISION OF PEDIATRIC NEUROLOGY

- JUNE MONTHLY STATS

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UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

- Labor Day Monday September 2, 2013
- Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday-Friday November 28-29, 2013
- Christmas Eve and Day Tuesday-Wednesday December 24-25, 2013
- New Years Day Wednesday January 1, 2014
DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

- MDA CAMP Meridian, TX
  June 15-21, 2013
  http://www.mda.org

- Camp Kaleidoscope Anna, TX
  July 7-13, 2013
  http://www.efx.org
CONFERENCES ATTENDED:

American Epilepsy Society Nov 30-Dec 4, 2012 California
Neurovascular Symposium Jan 26, 2013 Santa Monica, CA
International Stroke Symposium Feb 6-8, 2013 Honolulu, HI
Carrell-Krusen Symposium Feb 14-15, 2013 Dallas, TX
Neuro Next Feb 27, 2013 Bethesda, MD
American Academy of Neurology March 16, 23, 2013
PTC May 17-19, 2013 Fort Lauderdale, FL
MDA Scientific Conference April 21-24, 2013 Washington, DC
Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy June 13-15, 2013 Anaheim, CA
Parent Project June 26-3, 2013 Baltimore, MD

UPCOMING CONFERENCES:

- Becker Muscular Dystrophy August 24, 2013
- (Special Note: Aug 1-2, 2014 - We will be hosting the Becker Meeting here in Dallas)
- World Muscle Society Oct 1-5, 2013 Asilomar Conference Grounds, California
- Child Neurology Society Oct 30-Nov 2, 2013 Austin, TX
- American Epilepsy Society Dec 6-13, 2013 Washington, DC
- Carrell-Krusen Symposium February 13-14, 2014 Dallas, TX

RESEARCH NEWS:

- Research Week: Advancing Clinical Care through Research – September 24-26, 2013
  Register at: www.chilrens.com/CME

- When the FDA Comes A-Knocking FDA expectations for a successful audit September 6, 2013
  Register at: www.childrens.com/CME

- Working Together for Excellence in Research September 19, 2013
  Location: Texas Scottish Right Hospital for Children, T. Boone Pickens Auditorium

- We are one of four sites chosen to participate in the DMD Clinical Research Network Grant. This project will be administered under the MDA's Neuromuscular Disease Clinical Research Network Grant program. The infrastructure grant provides salary for a clinical evaluator and coordinator for a period of three years. The following two clinical trials have just received official notification of award and are beginning this month. (Spironolactone Trial \ Kevin Flanigan, Anne Connolly, Wash U Sponsor MDA DMD Clinical Research Network)

- We continue our relationship with PTC Therapeutics this month as we begin enrollment in a Phase III, Randomized Study of Ataluren in Patients with Nonsense Mutation Dystrophinopathy.

- Our ongoing trials with GSK and Santhera are winding down but we are continuing to provide the drugs to our male patients with DMD under new continued access programs.
Congratulations to Alma Ovalle on her recent marriage on Saturday August 3, 2013
Goodbye and good luck to Keely Barkham on her new career
Goodbye and good luck to Jeanne Schmidt on her new career
Welcome Rebecca Whitehead (Dr. Rana Said’s new nurse)
Welcome Melissa Kawamura (Dr. Muna Khan’s new nurse)
Welcome to Jennifer Richardson as a CMC full-time employee

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rebecca Whitehead                                               Melissa Kawamura         Jennifer Richardson

UPCOMING EVENTS:

• Pediatric Neurology Annual Holiday Party-Friday December 13, 2013
  Maggiano’s Plano
  6001 W. Park Blvd
  Plano, TX 75093

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Linda Hernandez Aug 3
Annie McDaniel Aug 4
Dr. Patricia Evans Aug 15
Dr. Simon Kayyal Aug 19
Holly Reid Aug 22

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
Stephanie Ray 1 year
Bonnie Ste. Marie 1 year
Alma Ovalle 2 years
Crystal Carpio 3 years
Sandra Lovo 5 years
Michell Pernell 5 years
Christa Shaw 5 years
Demetria Townsend 10 years
**PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS:**


**HEALTH AWARENESS:**

**Children’s Eye Health and Safety Month** Featured in this month will be information about amblyopia, a condition that can affect two to three percent of children and cause permanent vision loss. Also provided will be tips about preventing eye injuries in children, signs of possible eye problems, and general eye health. **For more information, contact: Prevent Blindness America | 800.331.2020 | info@preventblindness.org | www.preventblindness.org**

**Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month** Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) is dedicated to finding a treatment and cure by funding and advancing a comprehensive research program; supporting SMA families through networking, information, and services; improving care for all SMA patients; educating health professionals and the public about SMA; enlisting government support for SMA; and embracing all touched by SMA in a caring community. **For more information, contact: Colleen McCarthy O’Toole | Families of SMA | 800.886.1762 | info@fsma.org | www.curesma.org**

**West Nile Virus (WNV)** disease should be considered in any person with a febrile or acute neurologic illness who has had recent exposure to mosquitoes, blood transfusion, or organ transplantation, especially during the summer months in areas where virus activity has been reported. The diagnosis should also be considered in any infant born to a mother infected with WNV during pregnancy or while breastfeeding.
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