



Chief of Staff “Morning After” Report  
September 2013

The following are highlights from the September 9<sup>th</sup> Medical Executive Committee Meeting:

**Election Updates:**

Dr. Miles presented the “Election Countdown” report for Department Clinical Chief and Department Representatives to the MEC for 2014-2015:

- Department of Pediatrics
  - Clinical Chief – Valerie Watiker, MD
- Department of Medicine
  - Clement Yang, MD

Dr. Watiker and Dr. Yang were approved to serve as Department Clinical Chiefs for 2014-2015.

- Department Representatives to the MEC:
  - Anesthesiology – Maria De Castro, MD
  - Imaging – Marcel Maya, MD
  - Pathology – Cynthia Nast, MD

It was noted these individuals will be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Medical Staff for approval.

**Medical Staff Annual Meeting Reminder:** Monday, October 21, 2013 from 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM in the Harvey Morse Auditorium.

**Advance Care Planning Group Statement:**

Dr. Dan Stone stated Dr. Braunstein identified a need to address issues relating to care for patients at the end-of-life after the development of the CS Medicine End of Life Committee and after reviewing the results of our 100% Mortality Review that is done each month. Dr. Braunstein noted there is a need to change the culture of how end-of-life patients are treated. Following discussions with other local healthcare organizations, this document was developed as a starting point for discussion at an upcoming symposium on November 19<sup>th</sup> on how we can develop better ways to treat end-of-life patients. He stated the document was also reviewed with CSMC by the End of Life Committee as well as the Bioethics Committee. Dr. Stone stated there is also a patient side of this and a document for patients will also be developed to provide examples of what each of the five points relate to. The document has gone through ~ 30 versions as it has been reviewed by the different healthcare organizations, including UCLA, USC, Providence Health Care, Memorial Health Care, LA County Health System and the LA County Department of Public Health. Each organization is taking this document through their respective approval process before the November symposium. Any suggested revisions will be discussed at the symposium. Dr. Stone stated we are asking for MEC approval for this document as presented. If there are specific suggestions, we will take them to the symposium for consideration.

**Revised Smoking Cessation Protocol Approved:**

A revision to the Smoking Cessation protocol was approved that **E-cigarettes are NOT allowed** on the CSMC campus.

**New Members of the Medical Staff:**

- Amir Aljilani, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Sidharth Anand, M.D. -- – General Internal Medicine
- Ravneet Bajwa, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Todd A. Barrett, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Andrea Censullo, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Jitsen Chang, M.D. – OB/GYN
- Lennea Chap, M.D. – Hematology/Oncology
- Jeffrey C. Chen, D.O. – Pulmonary & Critical Care Medicine
- Aaron Chiang, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Sung Choi, M.D. – Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
- Meshe Chone, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Arousha Davatgarzadeh, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Michael C. Davis, M.D. -- Psychiatry
- Niraj Doctor, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Ashkan Ehdai, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Nazanin Firooz, M.D. -- Rheumatology
- John V. Ganal, M.D. – Anesthesiology
- Rebecca Gerlach, M.D. -- Anesthesiology
- Gelsey Goodstein, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Miren Guenechea-Sola, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Brian L. Huang, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Viet Huynh, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Tarnne Allyson Imai, M.D. – General Surgery
- San Do Kim, M.D. – Orthopedic Surgery
- Carol Alice Lin, M.D. – Orthopedic Surgery
- Belinda Mantle, M.D. -- Otolaryngology
- Maya Mary Mathew, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Sapna Mehta, D.O. – General Internal Medicine
- Jonathan R. Neyer, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Cam Tu Nguen, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Asim Rafique, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Robin Shaw, M.D. – Cardiology
- Andrew Shubov, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Eric Sue, M.D. – General Internal Medicine
- Nattapaun Thepyasuwan, D.O. – General Internal Medicine
- Dimitrios Tzachanis, M.D. – Hematology/Oncology
- Abhimanyu Uberoi, M.D. – General Internal Medicine