

# A MESSAGE FROM DR. GHOSH

The end of the year is a time for reflection, thanks, and celebration. I have a lot to be thankful for this year and much of that is because of you. Your dedication and compassion makes UI Health a great place for our patients to receive care and a special place to work.

As I reflect on the past year, many stories of excellence come to mind: stories of people—including our Employee of the Year, Erin Tobin—going the extra mile for our patients and their families. Our Comprehensive Stroke Team received recognition as a special place for stroke victims to receive care. Late in the year, we teamed up with Blue Cross Blue Shield in an effort to improve the lives of Medicaid patients, and we launched a housing program for our homeless patients. All of these efforts help sharpen our patient centric focus.

Signs of dedication and commitment are around every corner of UI Health. I want to express my gratitude and appreciation to each one of you for making UI Health a great place to come to work every day.

Together we made important strides in 2015 and I am confident that 2016 will be a year of even greater achievements.

Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year.

**Avijit Ghosh** 

#### **EMPLOYEE EVENTS**

UI Health Plus transitions to Blue Cross Community Family Health Plan

#### HAVE A STORY SUGGESTION?

Email us with subject line ROUNDUP to vphamktg@uic.edu

# **HEADLINES**

**NEW!** UI Health joins March of Dimes to reduce preterm delivery through their "Healthy Babies are Worth the Wait" initiative. UI Health is home to the first site in the state of Illinois.

Don't forget to GIVE back this holiday season! UIC's

Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) encourages anyone interested in volunteering for research studies to register with ResearchMatch. ResearchMatch is a nonprofit effort that brings together researchers and people who are willing to participate in health research studies through a secure and convenient online platform. Learn more at http://www.go.uic.edu/RM\_at\_UIC

**Coming soon:** UI Health will soon be introducing a new code, "Code Gold." This alert will signal all staff to be on the lookout for a patient in a gold gown who is at risk for elopement and is missing from their assigned unit.



March of Dimes ribbon cutting

### WELCOME TO UI HEALTH / NEW HIRES FOR NOVEMBER 2015

Alexander, Leeander Alverson, Riley Aniceto, Jude Arciga, Elizbaeth Balay, Lara Blaxon, Devon

Brunson, Shameka

Borjal, Roberto

Chan, David
Chemmachel, Annmary
Collins, Katherine
Conley, Ashley
Davis, Aisha
Davis, Nneka
De La Torre, Lynda

De La Torre, Lynda Domingo, Rustica English, Tontania Espinosa, Claudia Gallardo, Israel Galloway, Joshua Gamon, Marla Gipson, Latrece Gottschalk, Robert Grant, Sierra

Harris, Katrina

Hayes, Daniel Hernandez-Lagunas, Michael Hochhauser, Clara COM Pediatrics
Occupational Therapy

7E Step Down

Medicine

Hematology/Oncology

Mother Baby Unit

Ophthalmology & Visual Sciences

Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Services

Hospital Pharmacy

NSICU NSICU

Facilities Management Admin.

Continuum of Care Short Stay Unit Labor & Delivery Labor & Delivery Mother-Baby COM Pediatrics

**Environmental Services** 

7E Step Down Short Stay Unit

Facilities Management Admin.

Neurosurgery

Center of Women Health Customer Care Center

Anesthesiology

Facilities Management Admin.

Mother/Baby

Jeanes, Elizabeth Juarez, Geraldine King, Donna-Marie

Kurapati, Jahnavi Ledonne, Lisa Libreri, Pietroluca

Manalaysay, Mirasol

Miceli, Anna Minefee, Ralph

Montgomery, Chaquita

Moreno, Nancy Ortiz, Araceli Oskerka, Sean Pagan, Edwin Patterson, Lewis Reddick, Tamutha Rodriguez, Mirian Rudder, Elizabeth Salas, Mariana Santana, Ryan Saucedo, Anselmo Sayers, Scott

Semlow, Kathyrn

Serrano, Samantha

Thomas, Amiarvah Tirado, Monica Van Til, Aaron Violi-May, Jennifer Wells, Tabatha Zeiadah, Hanan Clinical Research Coordinator

Radiology UI Health Plus Marketing

8 East Adolescent Psych Cardiothroacic Surgery Surgical Services (PACU)

Neonatal ICU

Facilities Management Admin. Facilities Management Admin. Medicine/IDOC telemedicine

Surgery Center Emergency Services

Transplant

Facilities Management Admin.

Patient Accounting Ophthalmology

Ambulatory Services Admin

Neonatal ICU Diagnostic Services

6W ICU

Ophthalmology Physcial Therapy

Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Services

Labs/Pathology Services

Surgery Center COM Pediatrics Dietitian Nutritionist Family Medicine Pathology Laboratory

# **DID YOU KNOW?**NEWS FROM AROUND THE HEALTH SYSTEM



Congratulations to UI Health on receiving the CAUTI Excellence Certificate from Medline for our collective efforts. Well-deserved everyone!

Let UI Health help keep you warm this holiday season. Fill up your new UI Health travel mug in the cafeteria for only \$0.99!



The UI Health Culture of Safety work group has launched a new Risk Management & Patient Safety event held on December 14th focused on wrong site surgery. The next Grand Rounds will occur in



On October 22 and 23, the Illinois Society for Healthcare Marketing and Public Relations (ISHMPR) recognized the UI Health Marketing and Strategic Communications team with 5 awards in multiple categories. Congratulations!

The Cancer Center has had many updates including repaving, a bench for visitors, and coffee for guests go check it out!

UI Health badge policy was We encourage all employees to update to the most recent version by January 11th by visiting the UI Hospital ID office located at Westside Research Office Building. (WROB - 1747 W. Roosevelt Rd.)

# RISING STARS NOVEMBER 2015

#### **CARE Winners**

Sara Saucedo - Hospital Administration Sally Hogan - ICU Jamie Haley - Care Coordination Mary Cozzens - Care Coordination James Evert - Information Services Mary Niewinski - Nutrition/Food Service Craniofacial Team Denise Weitzel - Care Coordination 4W Mother/Baby team 8E Team

CARE Award is given to those employees who have demonstrated the UI CARE standards of behavior and have gone out of their way to help a patient, staff member or visitor.

#### Daisy Award

November Winner:

Consuelo (Connie) Saucedo, 8 W Bone Marrow Transplant

The DAISY (Diseases Attacking the Immune System)
Foundation was founded in 1999 to recognize skillful and amazingly compassionate care nurses provide for patients and their families every day.

### **UI CARE BEHAVIORS**

#### Compassion

- Talk, Listen, & Learn
- Manage Up

#### Accountability

- Support Accountability and Teamwork
- Make People Feel Welcome

#### Respect

- Put the Patient First
- Maintain Appearance, Courtesy, and Environment

#### Excellence

- Reward and Recognize
- Create a Sense of Ownership and Pride

## FIT FLEX OF THE MONTH / HOW DO YOU STAY HEALTHY?



"Swimming, biking, and running keeps me from getting bored. I am part of the UI Health Brainstormers that run the 200-mile Ragnar Relay from Madison to Chicago every year to support the Brain Aneurysm Foundation."

#### **Carlo Tangonan** Staff Nurse, 6E Stepdown



"I stay active on a daily basis by going for a 30 minute run, climbing the stairs, or going for a brief walk on my lunch break. I'm always trying to beat my department manager on daily steps on my Fitbit app!"

#### **Guadalupe Madrid** Medical Assistant,

Internal Medicine