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Los Angeles County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers

In an effort to strengthen the disaster volunteer registration system state-wide, Los Angeles County and the State of California moved to one volunteer database system called Disaster Healthcare Volunteers (DHV) in May, 2009. The LA County ESAR-VHP/MRC health volunteer program recruits, registers, and pre-credentials medical, health, mental health, and other volunteers in advance of the next large scale disaster or public health emergency. LA County ESAR-VHP/MRC volunteers will assist with hospital surge capacity, alternate care sites, and support public health emergency response. A burn surge team is also being recruited to meet the demand for medical personnel with a specialty in burn care treatment.

The LA County ESAR-VHP/MRC program is a collaborative partnership between the Department of Health Services' Emergency Medical Services Agency, the Department of Public Health, and the Volunteer Center of Los Angeles. LA County ESAR-VHP/MRC is part of a nation wide effort aimed to pre-register and pre-screen health volunteers to provide critical health services following a terrorist attack, disaster, or other public health emergencies. You can't predict emergencies or disasters, but you can prepare for them. Register online at www.lacountydhv.org



Remote Area Medical - Los Angeles

More than 7,000 individuals were helped during Remote Area Medical – LA, which was held last month at the LA Sports Arena. Thanks go to the more than 50 Torrance Memorial staff and physicians who joined in the effort to provide medical, vision and dental care to those who desperately need it, but are uninsured or under-insured. The seven-day event offered free care all by volunteers to people who have gone years without care, or who have never had it before.

"Thanks to Torrance Memorial for giving us information so that we could volunteer for such an important organization. My husband Dirk worked in medical all day. I worked in triage and nutrition and education. We both felt like we helped a lot of people, but still wished that we could have done more. We'll be volunteering again next year!" – Lynn Ruffin, R.N., Blood Donor Center.

"I loved doing this! It was my first time and I went on the first day. We were able to create a system which the leaders said they would be using the rest of the week because it worked so well. We were proud of that." – Bethany Mota, R.N., PCU

"I loved it. I am going to volunteer again next year. It was a fantastic idea to have Torrance Memorial t-shirts. I was so proud wearing mine and representing our hospital. Again, count me in for next year." – Chellette Pollard, Medical Staff Services

2010 RAM-LA Volunteers

Nohea Avery	Albert Dunlap	Fatmata Jalloh	Jitesh Patel & Spouse	Lindsay Speedy
Charlene Bacale	Anne Dwyer	Elizabeth Kiely	Stephanie Poland	Linda Stoodley
Debbie Banderas	Juliana Enge	Carol Kretsch	Chellette Pollard	Maria Streeter
Chellet Castillo	Debbie Flores	Makesha Lofton	Judy Retter	Stephanie Sullivan
Cathy Chang	Stanley Fukushima	Cristal Lynch, M.D.	Debbie Reyes	Julia Tobin
Naiwei Chang	Kadi Gonzalez	Eileen Maala	Leah Romine	Sandy Ulen
Janice Cornnahan	Robin Illingworth	Kim McElroy	Lynn Ruffin & Spouse	Kathy Vo
Danielle Cosgrove	Mary Imamura	Rene Miller	Theresa Santiago	Annie Xiong
Linda Currie	Linda In	Vivienne Mirville	Lyn Santiago	Lodel Yerro
Greg Davis	Tanisha Jackson	Bethany Mota	Mercedes Sevilla	Joann Yoshida

Medical Executive Committee

The following items were approved at the May 11, 2010 meeting of the Medical Executive Committee:

Department of Medicine

- A. Adult Subcutaneous Insulin Coverage Orders
- B. Guidelines for Inpatient Management of the Hyperglycemic Patient

Credentials Committee – Approvals filed in Medical Staff Services – please see Toni Woodard.

Emergency Department Committee

- A. Department of Pulmonary Services Policy/Procedure entitled, “Emergency Department BiPAP® Protocol”

Infection Control/P&T Committee

- A. Acute Coronary Syndrome/AMI Orders
- B. Adult Therapeutic Hypothermia Orders
- C. Patient Care Policy/Procedure: Adult Therapeutic Hypothermia Protocol Following Cardiac Arrest
- D. Guidelines for Inpatient Management of the Hyperglycemic Patient
- E. Adult Subcutaneous Insulin Coverage Orders
- F. 3-Month Formulary Review: Treanda
- G. Deletion of the Patient Care Policy/Procedure entitled, “Use of Droperidol in the Post-Anesthesia Care Unit”
- H. Removal of Droperidol from the Formulary

Institutional Review Board – Approvals filed in Medical Staff Services – please see Yumi Lee.

Medical Staff Funds Committee

- A. Transfer a sum of money, the amount to be determined by the officers of the Medical Staff, from the checking account to a high-yield account.

Blood Product Guidelines: Rh Immunoglobulin (Rh₀Gam)

Rh Immunoglobulin (Rh₀Gam) is supplied in prepackaged syringes of 300 micrograms (1500 IU). Rh₀Gam is injected within 72 hours after delivery or spontaneous abortion to all Rh negative females. A type and screen and a fetal screen must be performed on a post delivery blood sample. Turn around time is one hour. If the fetal screen is positive for fetal red cells, a new blood sample will be sent for quantitative testing to determine if more than one dose is needed. A single dose (300 micrograms (1500 IU) of Rh₀Gam will be dispensed immediately before quantitative testing is complete.

Rh₀Gam will be supplied to females who have had spontaneous abortions at less than 12 weeks gestation. Written proof of Rh negative blood type is required.



Accumetrics Platelet Function & Aspirin Resistance Tests

Torrance Memorial Medical Center now has a cost effective Accumetrics platelet function test (P2Y12) and Aspirin Resistance Test. A PRU (P2Y12 reaction unit) of greater than 235 indicates an unfavorable response to Clopidogrel (Plavix).

It is recommended that the test be drawn before discharge on Clopidogrel (Plavix), and if abnormal, Clopidogrel can be increased or therapy switched to Prasugrel (Effient). With an increase in Clopidogrel it is recommended that the test be repeated five days later.

If surgery is being considered for a patient on Clopidogrel this test can be utilized to determine at what point surgery can be performed with less risk of bleeding, and possibly less delay in performing the surgery. With the Aspirin Resistance Test, ARU (Aspirin Reaction Units) less than 550 is consistent with patient receiving therapeutic benefit.

Torrance Memorial Medical Center Medical Staff Calendar

June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2 7:00a CV Review Conference....WT-D 8:30a Endocrinology.....WT-D	3 7:00a Breast Tumor Board..WT-Aud 7:30a Tumor Board.....WT-D	4 7:30a IRB.....WT-D 12:30p Surgery Dept.....WT-Aud
7 7:00a CV Advisory Board.....WT-D 12:30p Cardiology.....WT-D 12:30p Credentials.....WT-C	8 12:30p Infection Control P&T....WT-D 12:30p Med Educ/Libr.....HCC-4 6:00p MEC.....WT-D	9 7:00a Anesthesia PI.....WT-Aud 7:00a CV Review Conference....WT-D 12:30p CME Conference....HCC-1&2	10 7:00a Breast Tumor Board..WT-Aud 7:30a Tumor Board.....WT-D 12:00p Donor & Transfusion.....WT-D 12:30p Medicine PI.....WT-B	11
14 7:30a Physician Alignment.....WT-B	15 7:00a Practitioners Well Being....WT-C 12:00p Radiology Dept.....WT-D	16 7:00a CV Review Conference....WT-D 12:30p CME Conference....HCC-1&2	17 7:00a Breast Tumor Board..WT-Aud 7:00a Endovascular PI.....WT-B 7:30a Tumor Board.....WT-Aud 7:30a ED Committee.....WT-D 12:30p Pediatric Dept.....WT-Aud	18
21 12:00p Burn & Wound.....WT-C	22 12:30p Bioethics.....WT-C 12:30p OB/GYN.....WT-D	23 7:00a CV Review Conference....WT-D 12:30p CME Conference....HCC-1&2 12:30p Palliative Care.....WT-D	24 7:00a Breast Tumor Board..WT-Aud 7:30a Tumor Board.....WT-Aud 12:30p Credentials.....WT-C	25
28 7:30a Vascular Medicine.....WT-B 4:00p Bariatric Surgery.....WT-C	29	30 7:00a CV Review Conference....WT-D	1	2

CME CONFERENCES



Wednesdays, 12:30 pm
Health Conference Center

Torrance Memorial Medical Center is accredited by the Institute for Medical Quality/California Medical Association (IMQ/CME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Torrance Memorial Medical Center takes responsibility for the content, quality, and scientific integrity of this CME activity. Torrance Memorial Medical Center designates this educational activity for a maximum of 1 *AMA PRA Category 1 credit*[™]. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. This credit may also be applied to the *CME Certification in Continuing Medical Education*.

For up-to-the minute conference information call (310) 784-8776.

June 2, 2010
NO CONFERENCE

June 9, 2010
"Diagnosis & Treatment of Tuberculosis "
Robert Kaplan, M.D.
U.C. Irvine School of Medicine
Commercial Support: None

June 16, 2010
"Bone Metabolism "
George Sarka, M.D.
UCLA School of Medicine
Commercial Support: None

June 23, 2010
"Sepsis Update"
Vinod Dhawan, M.D.
UCLA School of Medicine
Commercial Support: None

June 30, 2010
NO CONFERENCE

July 7, 2010
NO CONFERENCE

Welcome

New Providers on Staff



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Doctors Don't Forget!

Please remember to use the
Transdermal Fentanyl
Orders when ordering the
Fentanyl Patch.

Physician Roster Updates

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Leave of Absence

Milton L. Owens, M.D. (GSUR)

Resignations

David Hirota, M.D. (IMED)
Sanaz Cordes, M.D. (PEDS)

Retired

Arthur Diamond, M.D. (RADI)

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