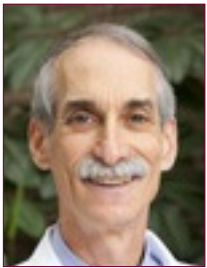


Butler joins efforts of Global Alzheimer's Platform Foundation and Brain Health Registry partner to accelerate Alzheimer's treatment by 2025



PROVIDENCE – Butler Hospital is one of six key institutions supporting the efforts of a new partnership between the Global Alzheimer's Platform Foundation and the Brain Health Registry at the University of California at San Francisco to grow its global registry of potential Alzheimer's clinical trial candidates.

"This is not only an exciting advancement, but an essential endeavor if we hope to achieve the national goal of finding a treatment for Alzheimer's by 2025," said **STEPHEN**

SALLOWAY, MD, MS, director of the Memory and Aging Program at Butler Hospital, and professor of neurology and psychiatry at the Alpert Medical School. Currently enrolling participants in 11 Alzheimer's research studies at Butler Hospital, Dr. Salloway knows firsthand the benefits a robust database could provide both in the form of cost-savings and in accelerating the timelines of the recruitment phase of research.

Other participants include:

- Atlanta: Allan Levey, MD, PhD (Emory University Alzheimer's Disease Research Center) and Marshall L. Nash, MD (Neurostudies.net)
- Boston: Dorene Rentz, PsyD and Gad Marshall, MD (Brigham and Women's Hospital; Massachusetts General Hospital; Harvard Medical School)
- Las Vegas: Jeffrey Cummings, MD (Cleveland Clinic's Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health)
- San Francisco: Michael Weiner, MD (UCSF)
- South Florida: Mark Brody, MD (Brain Matters Research)

Global Alzheimer's Platform, headquartered in Washington, D.C., was launched in 2014 by UsAgainstAlzheimer's and the Global CEO Initiative on Alzheimer's disease. The organization's goal is to reduce the duration (by up to two years), the cost and the risk of Alzheimer's disease clinical trials, and turn Alzheimer's Disease sufferers into survivors. Brain Health Registry is a free web-based effort led by researchers at UCSF designed to more quickly identify appropriate clinical trial candidates and speed the path to cures for Alzheimer's disease and other brain disorders. ❖

South County Hospital opens inpatient palliative care program

WAKEFIELD – On Monday, January 18, South County Hospital launched an inpatient palliative care program. The initiative was led by South County Hospital's Palliative Care Task Force, headed by **RUSS CORCORAN, MD**, in collaboration with Home & Hospice Care of Rhode Island.

The hospital is partnering with two board-certified palliative care specialists from Home & Hospice Care of Rhode Island: **AMY CHARRON, NP**, and **MERCEDES PACHECO, MD**. Hospital Case Manager **HOLLY FUSCALDO** will act as a full-time, on-site palliative care social worker. The Hospital is also employing a chaplain to support the psychosocial needs of patients receiving palliative care.

All physicians and nurses within the South County Medical Group practices—part of the South County Health system – are being trained in palliative care. To date, 60- to 70-percent of them have completed the training. ❖

Hasbro specialty clinics offer new outpatient services

Cardiology, hematology and urology among services added to Fall River and East Greenwich sites

PROVIDENCE – Hasbro Children's Hospital has expanded clinical offerings at its Fall River Multispecialty Clinic and East Greenwich Specialty Clinic, providing a wider range of services conveniently located in those communities and closer to the families the clinics serve.

"Last year, we opened these outpatient clinic locations to better reach the children and families in our community who need our specialized care," said Tracey Wallace, vice president of pediatric services at Life-span. "Based on the needs of our patients, we've now streamlined our outpatient services to best maximize what we can offer to communities through our partnerships."

Hasbro Children's Specialty Practice opened its Fall River Multispecialty Clinic to expand Hasbro Children's Hospital's offerings in the region, which already included a partnership with Saint Anne's Hospital, where Hasbro Children's Hospital specialists care for patients at the Fernandes Center for Children & Families.

Hasbro Children's Specialty Practice services offered at the Fall River Multispecialty Clinic, include:

- Gastrointestinal medicine
- Cardiology
- Endocrinology
- Nephrology
- Pulmonology
- Urology, genetics and hematology services will also be added this year.

Additionally, the East Greenwich Specialty Clinic, now provides:

- Gastrointestinal medicine
- Child and adolescent eating disorders
- Endocrinology
- Rehabilitation services
- Nephrology
- Pulmonology
- Cardiology
- Psychiatry

In 2016, both clinic locations will also start offering Saturday services, for the added convenience of patients. ❖