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Appointments



Jeremiah D. Schuur, MD, to head emergency medicine at Lifespan, Brown

PROVIDENCE – Lifespan and The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University announced September 6th that **JEREMIAH D. SCHUUR, MD, MHS, FACEP**, has been appointed physician-in-chief for emergency medicine at Lifespan and chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Brown. The announcement comes after a

yearlong national search.

Dr. Schuur currently serves as chief of the division of health policy translation and vice chair of clinical affairs in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital. He is also an associate professor of emergency medicine at Harvard Medical School.

He will assume his new duties on December 1. He completed his residency in emergency medicine through Brown at Rhode Island Hospital, capped by a year as chief resident and assistant instructor at the medical school. Since 2007, Dr. Schuur has been at Brigham and Women's and Harvard, where he rose through numerous progressively responsible leadership positions.

In 2010, he earned a certificate in executive leadership from Harvard Business School.

Dr. Schuur has focused much of his career on quality improvement and patient safety, leading these areas at his own hospital and medical school, advising others across the country as a member of numerous work groups and task forces, and conducting and publishing extensive research in the field.

He has won many awards for excellence in research and teaching, dating back to his residency and including recent recognitions, among them the Faculty Mentorship Award for the Brigham and Women's department of emergency medicine and the Partners in Excellence Award from Partners HealthCare System in 2016.

He is a fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians and has held numerous committee leadership posts within the organization, including current service as co-lead of E-QUAL, a national quality improvement network that the college has created as part of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative.

He earned his BA in history and biology at Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts, followed by his medical degree at New York University School of Medicine in New York City. He went on to complete a fellowship as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar at Yale University, during which time he completed his master's in health sciences and was an attending physician in the emergency department of Yale New Haven Hospital.

Dr. Schuur replaces Brian Zink, MD, who took a position at the University of Michigan Medical School last fall. ❖

Sharon Marable, MD, joins Southcoast Physicians Group

LAKEVILLE – **SHARON MARABLE, MD, MPH, FACP**, has joined Southcoast Physicians Group.

Dr. Marable is a board-certified internal medicine physician. Her medical interests include prevention and wellness, women's health care, community health promotion, policy and advocacy, public health, clinical quality improvement, chronic disease management and health administration.

She attended Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn. for her undergraduate education, received her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine, and a Master of Public Health degree from Boston University School of Public Health. Additionally, Dr. Marable received advanced Preventive Medicine Fellowship training in Community Oriented Primary Care, and served as a United States Department of Health and Human Services Primary Health Care Policy Fellow. ❖



Gofran Tarabulsi, MD, joins W&I Center for Obstetric and Consultative Medicine

Board-certified internal medicine specialist **GOFRAN TARABULSI, MD**, of Raynham, MA, has joined Care New England Medical Group (CNEMG). She

is practicing at Women & Infants Hospital's Center for Obstetric and Consultative Medicine and at the hospital's Integrated Program for High Risk Pregnancy.

Dr. Tarabulsi received her medical degree from King Abdulaziz University in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia and completed her residency in internal medicine at West Virginia University in Morgantown, WV. She completed a fellowship in obstetric and consultative medicine at Women & Infants Hospital.

Dr. Tarabulsi's primary interest includes medical disorders in pregnancy that may induce hypertensive disorders, cardiac disease, and diabetes during pregnancy, as well as providing preconception counseling for women with chronic conditions including thyroid disorders and autoimmune rheumatological diseases. Her research interests include preeclampsia and the long-term effect on kidney function, as well as gestational diabetes. ❖

Appointments



SCH names Dr. Bob Dyer to Board of Trustees

The South County Health Board of Trustees welcomed new member **DR. BOB DYER**, a dermatologist from South County Dermatology at their most recent meeting on August 27.

When asked, Dr. Dyer said he was honored to be offered a seat on the Board.

"I see it as an opportunity to expand my knowledge beyond the specialty area of dermatology and management of my practice, and to contribute to the continued success of the Hospital during these challenging times," said Dr. Dyer.

Dr. Dyer said he will initially listen to fellow Board members and management team to be able to make the most educated and thoughtful contributions what he calls a "critical stage in the life of South County Health."

"I would like to see the Hospital continue to survive and flourish despite the challenges the institution faces in today's rapidly changing healthcare environment. One challenge is for our small community hospital to maintain its positive culture and stellar reputation while preserving some degree of independence and at the same time remain financially stable in the current volatile environment," said Dr. Dyer.

"Doctor" was not always a part of Bob Dyer's professional title. After graduating from the University of Rhode Island, Dr. Dyer worked as a biomedical engineer and then as a support specialist in what, at the time, was a burgeoning field of personal computers. He then spent 20 years as a firefighter in the city of Warwick, RI. During his tenure as a firefighter, Dr. Dyer earned a master's in business administration with a concentration in Finance from URI and a master's in Economics from Brown University. Dr. Dyer graduated from the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University in 2007. While attending medical school, Dr. Dyer also earned his master of public health degree with a concentration in Quantitative Methods from Harvard University.

After completing his dermatology residency, Dr. Dyer opened his own practice – South County Dermatology – in East Greenwich. Since then, his practice has grown to six providers, over 35 employees, and four locations.

Outside of his practice and the SCH Board of Trustees, Dr. Dyer serves as Chief of Dermatology at Harvard University Health Services, treasurer of the Rhode Island Dermatology Society, member of the American Academy of Dermatology, American Society for Dermatologic Surgery, the Dermatology Foundation, the Skin Cancer Foundation, the American Medical Association, and the Rhode Island Medical Society. ❖

Dr. Maureen Phipps named president-elect of American Gynecological & Obstetrical Society



MAUREEN G. PHIPPS, MD, MPH, has been named president-elect of the American Gynecological & Obstetrical Society. Her term will begin September 2019. Dr. Phipps is chair and Chace-Joukowsky Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and assistant dean for Teaching and Research in Women's Health at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, professor of epidemiology at the Brown University School of Public Health, and chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Women & Infants Hospital of Rhode Island and Care New England Health System.

"Women & Infants Hospital is proud to congratulate Dr. Phipps on this prestigious new appointment," said Rick Majzun, FACHE, president and chief operating officer of Women & Infants Hospital, a Care New England hospital. "We are confident that her dedication to women's health will serve AGOS, health care professionals, patients, and the nation well."

The American Gynecological & Obstetrical Society (AGOS) advances the health of women by providing dedicated leadership and promoting excellence in research, education, and medical practice. The AGOS is an organization comprised of individuals attaining national prominence in scholarship in the discipline of obstetrics, gynecology, and women's health.

Dr. Phipps' research focuses on improving the health of vulnerable populations. Her research interests include adolescent pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes, postpartum depression, prenatal care, contraception, and reducing disparities. She is an associate editor for the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology and past chair of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Committee on Health Care for Underserved Women. ❖

Malavika Prabhu, MD, maternal-fetal medicine specialist joins W&I



Maternal-fetal medicine specialist **MALAVIKA PRABHU, MD**, of Boston, has joined Care New England Medical Group (CNEMG). She is practicing in Women & Infants Hospital's Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine and at the hospital's Integrated Program for High Risk Pregnancy.

Dr. Prabhu is board-certified in obstetrics and gynecology, and board-eligible in maternal-fetal medicine. She is an assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. She recently completed her fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital after her residency training at the University of Washington and medical education at Stanford Medical School.

Dr. Prabhu's clinical interests include maternal cardiac disease, infectious diseases, management of fetal anomalies, clinical obstetrics including operative vaginal deliveries, and opioid use in the pregnant and postpartum population. ❖



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Recognition



Dr. Saied Calvino receives national award for work on decreasing cancer care disparities

ABDUL SAIED CALVINO, MD, a board-certified surgical oncologist with Roger Williams Medical Center, is the recipient of the 2018 Carol Friedman Award, given annually to

recognize outstanding achievement in cancer care.

The honorees are chosen by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Comprehensive Cancer Control Branch. Dr. Calvino is one of only two honorees to receive the award nationally this year.

This year's theme was excellence in addressing cancer disparities. Dr. Calvino was recognized for his work since 2016 to increase colorectal cancer screening and education in Rhode Island's Hispanic community. In 2016, Dr. Calvino and his colleagues at Roger Williams launched a community outreach and navigation program for Hispanics in Rhode Island, who represent 15% of the state's population. The goals were to increase screening rates, decrease incidence, and increase early diagnosis. Colorectal cancer is the third leading cause of cancer death in Rhode Island.

Over a 19-month period, 398 patients were enrolled in the Roger Williams' program with a colonoscopy completion rate of 93%. In that group, 155 patients (42%) required polypectomy, and 57 (15%) patients underwent surgery for colorectal cancer. Post-colonoscopy survey was uniformly positive across all participants and 76% said that they would not have completed colonoscopy without the program.

Another goal of the program was to educate underserved communities about colorectal cancer treatment and prevention. Dr. Calvino and his program coordinator Gisela Gomes worked with Hispanic, Southeast Asian, and Native American communities to hold more than 20 outreach events in collaboration with organizations like the American Cancer Society, Partnership to Reduce Cancer in Rhode Island, the Rhode Island Latino Cancer Control Task Force, reaching hundreds of individuals in these communities.

Dr. Calvino is a board member of the Partnership to Reduce Cancer in Rhode Island, chairing the Screening and Detection Work Group. He also serves on the Rhode Island Department of Health's Colorectal Cancer Screening Program Advisory Committee. Dr. Calvino is an Assistant Professor at Boston University. ❖

Abdul Saied Calvino, MD, to be initiated as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons

ABDUL SAIED CALVINO, MD, will be initiated as a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons at the convocation ceremony to take place at the organization's upcoming national meeting Oct. 21 at the Clinical Congress in Boston.

Dr. Calvino completed his surgical internship and residency at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He also finished a two-year ACGME-accredited fellowship program in Complex Surgical Oncology at Roger Williams Medical Center.

He is a board-certified general surgeon and part of a select group of surgeons who are board-eligible in complex surgical oncology.

During his time at the University of Illinois, he spent dedicated research time investigating inflammatory pathways in pancreatic cancer. He is the recipient of the best research presentation at the Rhode Island Chapter of the American College of Surgery research forum.

His clinical research focus is in quality outcomes research and disparities in cancer care. He has been an author on multiple peer-reviewed articles and is a member of multiple scientific societies, including the American College of Surgeons, the Society of Surgical Oncology, and the Americas Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association. ❖

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Recognition

Dr. Margaret Howard honored by American Psychological Association with 2018 Leadership Award



MARGARET HOWARD, PhD, of Cranston, division director of the Center for Women's Behavioral Health and director of the Day Hospital at Women & Infants Hospital, was recently presented with the American Psychological Association's Committee on Women in Psychology 2018 Leadership Award.

The award reads, "In recognition of her evidence-based and infant-inclusive,

high-quality model of delivering mental health services to women experiencing postpartum depression. Dr. Howard is recognized as an outstanding leader within the Brown University medical system. Her work has become a standard of care in Rhode Island and is being replicated across the northeast and other regions of the country. She has authored numerous publications and presentations, nationally and internationally, on the need for specialized models of care to meet women's needs during the perinatal transition. Dr. Howard is a role model to

trainees and faculty as a woman in a senior leadership position, and an exemplary mentor for mentees who seek her wisdom long past their formal relationship. Her innovative contributions have fostered understanding of women's lives and improved the status of women. She is truly a distinguished leader for women in psychology."

Dr. Howard, a member of Care New England Medical Group, is the associate fellowship director for the Brown University/Women & Infants Hospital Women's Mental Health Fellowship. She is also a professor of psychiatry and human behavior (clinical) and medicine (clinical) at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University.

Dr. Howard received her PhD in clinical psychology from Southern Illinois University and completed her internship and postdoctoral fellowship at Brown University. Her primary clinical and research interests are postpartum depression, depression and anxiety disorders during pregnancy, trauma, OCD, and novel treatment approaches in both prevention and treatment of perinatal mood disorders. ❖

CharterCARE Provider Group of RI awarded highest recognition by APG

CharterCARE Provider Group of RI, LLC, the independent practice association affiliated with CharterCARE Health Partners, has been awarded Elite Status on the America's Physician Group (APG) 2018 Standards of Excellence survey for the third year in a row. APG (formerly known as CAPG) is the leading association in the country representing physician organizations practicing coordinated, capitated care.

The annual APG survey is offered to more than 300 APG members in 43 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. This year, 122 medical groups, health systems and IPAs participated in the voluntary survey, covering 12.9 million commercial lives, 3.2 million Medicare Advantage lives, and 3.7 Medicaid lives. Participants earn their survey rankings based on their performance in delivering risk-based, coordinated care. Elite Status is the highest recognition awarded by APG.

Working with local Medicare Advantage, commercial, Medicaid and exchange plans, CPGRI and the CharterCARE system are dedicated to demonstrating how coordinated care can benefit patients in Rhode Island in terms of better outcomes, better quality, and a better healthcare experience.

CharterCARE Provider Group of RI, made up of 500 physicians and other providers, is managed by Prospect Medical Systems, which develops, implements and manages a full range of support services. Prospect Medical Holdings, Inc. is the parent company of Prospect Medical Systems and CharterCARE Health Partners. ❖

Drs. Boardman, Gettle receive EMRA awards

The Emergency Medicine Residents' Association (EMRA) award recipients for the 2018 fall cycle included: **DR. TIMOTHY BOARDMAN**, 2020 resident graduate from Brown University, winner of the EDDA Travel Scholarship; and **DR. CAMERON GETTLE**, 2019 resident graduate from Brown University, winner of the Resident/Fellow Health Policy Elective in Washington, DC. ❖



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Obituaries



DR. WILMA SYLVIA (FRIEDMAN) ROSEN, 89, passed away on July 7, 2018. She was the first woman psychiatrist at Butler Hospital and served there over 40 years. She also provided therapy to artist students at RISD's Office of Counseling. Her life story was an inspiration to many she counseled and mentored as a clinical professor at Brown Medical School.

She completed her medical degree at Temple Medical School at a time when quotas restricted admission of Jewish women. That combined love and fascination with helping people find their identity and reflecting the beauty of the individual was expressed through her compassion for adolescence and artists, helping patients find second chances, and her thoughtful portraits.

Her mentorship of women physicians gave her great pride. She was deeply honored to be an artist member of the Providence Art Club where she spent many happy years as she slowly and reluctantly retired from Butler and RISD and rediscovered her own identity.

She is survived by her two daughters, Allyson Rosen and Liz Grinspoon, her grandchildren, Susanna Aufrichtig, Jacob Lehrer, and Emma and Zach Grinspoon. She is also survived by her sister, June Chernetz, and her children Gwyn, Lynn, George, and his wife Deborah Keller. ❖



BERNARD P. ST. JEAN, MD, 70, passed away September 3, 2018 at home, surrounded by his family after a brief battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Michele "Mickey" (Rusnak) St. Jean.

Dr. St. Jean had worked at Kent Hospital for many years, serving as Chief of Surgery from 1991-1994 and 1997-2009. He

loved the hospital and willingly served on many committees.

His three passions in life were; medicine, family and food.

Besides his wife, he is survived by his children, Nicholas B. St. Jean (Amanda), Corina M. St. Jean and Alicia B. Craig (Nicholas); a sister, Carolyn M. St. Jean-Gogan (Peter); grandchildren, Camden, Finn, Kailyn and Riley; and a nephew, Craig.

In his memory, donations may be made to Hope Hospice and Palliative Care or Our Lady of Mercy Church Outreach Services. ❖