

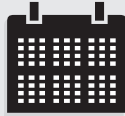
Medicine Matters

ADVANCED MEDICINE. COMPASSIONATE CARE.

A newsletter for physicians and medical office staff

Please remember to discharge your patients by noon to aid in opening beds for admission out of the Emergency Department and to increase patient satisfaction.

NOVEMBER CME'S



St. Anthony's Medical Center is accredited by the Missouri State Medical Association to provide continuing medical education programs for physicians. Upcoming CME programs include:

Tuesday, Nov. 1: "Healthcare Reform," presented by Patrick Garrett, M.D., vice president, Physician Affairs, SAMC

Tuesday, Nov. 15: "Cardiac Syncope Disorder," presented by Michael L. Shapiro, M.D., F.A.C.C., Electrophysiologist

Unless otherwise indicated, all programs take place at 8 a.m. in the physicians' dining room and last approximately one hour. St. Anthony's designates this educational activity for a maximum of one hour in Category 1 credit toward the AMA Physician Recognition Award. For additional information or any special needs, please contact St. Anthony's Medical Staff Services at (314) 525-1062.

"Neurology and Neurosurgery for the Primary Care Physician"

Dr. Saleem Abdularauf and the SLU faculty, many of whom see your patients in association with Paul Young, M.D. will be presenting at the Saint Louis University Brain Trust Neurosciences Symposium, "Neurology and Neurosurgery for the Primary Care Physician," on November 11-12 (4 hours each day) at the Westin St. Louis.

At the completion of the course, the participants will enhance their knowledge and understanding of various conditions allowing them to improve the care of their patients through review of:

- various types of brain tumors and treatment in the adult and pediatric population
- cerebrovascular disease and stroke along with current treatment options
- symptoms associated with traumatic brain injury and concussion syndrome
- treatment and management of low back pain and minimally invasive spine surgery
- management of sleep disorders, seizure disorders, neuromuscular diseases, and multiple sclerosis

The tuition fee is \$100 for the program which begins at 12:30 on Friday and ends at noon on Saturday. Online registration is available at <http://medschool.slu.edu/cme>. Attendance at this program will qualify you for 8 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits.

Cancer Care Center—enhanced web pages

Cancer is the most actively researched health topic online. People diagnosed with cancer, along with their family members, look to the Web for information and resources. That's why the Cancer Care Center at St. Anthony's Medical Center has developed an enhanced and comprehensive section on St. Anthony's website.

The new Cancer Care Center web section is highly user-friendly and informative, covering types of cancers and treatment options; listings of oncology physicians; and service areas like pathology, research, and palliative medicine. There are direct links to related services and departments.

The new pages can be accessed through the St. Anthony's Medical Center website at www.stanthonysmedcenter.com, by selecting "Cancer" from the "Medical Services" drop-down menu. The section also has its own URL (unique resource locator, or Internet address) at: www.stlouiscancer.org. This URL will help direct people searching the Internet to our website.

St. Anthony's Medical Center is happy to announce that Beth Snell, M.D. is now a full time breast surgeon at her south county location (12700 Southfork Road). This will enhance her accessibility for patients and increase her involvement in our breast cancer program. Most days she is able to see the patient the same day they receive their mammogram/biopsy results. Please call 314-525-1545 to schedule a patient consult.

Effective 10/18/2011, the EPIC Physician Forums held on Wednesday mornings are cancelled.

GENERAL STAFF MEETING—GUEST SPEAKER, SEN. TOM DASCHELE

There will be a General Staff Meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 16, in the Hospital Cafeteria. A buffet dinner begins at 6:15 p.m., followed by the presentation at 6:45 p.m. Guest Speaker: Former Senate Majority Leader and Author, Tom Daschle: "Getting it Done: What's Next for Healthcare Reform." Please join us!

Stethe-Scoop

The following physicians have recently joined St. Anthony's Medical Center Staff. Additional information (e.g., office address, phone number, etc.) may be found at www.stanthonyamedcenter.com. Please welcome and support them:

Avdagic, Mirha, MD—Family Practice (SAPO)

Drake, Mark A., DO—Surgery/General Surgery (SAPO)

Hindupur, Sandeep, MD—Medicine/Cardiology
(Heart Specialty Associates)

Martin, Nicolas C., DPM—Podiatry (Premier Care Orthopedics)

Paulsrud, Kirsten S., DPM—Podiatry (Ankle & Foot Surgeons of the Midwest) Specializing in forefoot and rearfoot surgery as well as diabetic wound care and limb salvage. Dr. Paulsrud just recently attended the San Diego Podiatric Medical Society on September 22, whereby she presented her research on an alternative technique in bunion surgery

Petersen, Jeffrey E., MD—Medicine/Dermatology (St. Louis Dermatology/Yoon)

Phatak, Rahul S., MD—Medicine/Internal Medicine-Hospitalist (IMI)

Presti, Michael E., MD—Medicine/Gastroenterology (SAPO)

Rahman, Mahfuzur, MD—Medicine/Nephrology (St. Louis County Nephrology)

Shafer, Jeffery S., MD—Emergency Medicine (EPSTL)

Stenger, Adam E., MD—Emergency Medicine (EPSTL)

Williams, Nancy J., MD—Medicine/Internal Medicine-Hospitalist (IMI)

Yong, Lee K., MD—Medicine/Infectious Disease (Nellore)

Medilinks Rehab software "Go Live" Nov. 1

As of Nov. 2011, rehab professionals will document on any NEW admission in Medilinks. Only the 3 physiatrists will actually have access to Medilinks as the narrative from Medilinks will be flowing over to EPIC. This software was selected as it allows for extensive rehab-specific compliance tracking/auditing. Until all patients are documented in this software, charts on the unit NOT in Medilinks will have a bright sticker on the spine of the chart to designate that you will need to consult the paper chart.

REMEMBER! The 2011 St. Anthony's Physician Ambassadors Dinner & Dueling Piano Party! Saturday, November 19 at Sunset Country Club.

Dancing Laughter Sing-a-Longs and Limitless Song Requests—all to benefit St. Anthony's Hospice and the Physician Ambassador Community Health & Outreach Grants Program.

Call 314-525-7330 for more information and/or reservations

Let Home Care Help

St. Anthony's Home Care Services has one of the best utilization rates of any service in the area, so you can trust that visits to your homebound patients will be medically necessary and high quality. To make a referral, please indicate home health on discharge orders or call (314) 525-7300. Professional staff includes:

- Registered nurses
- Registered physical therapists
- Physical therapy assistants
- Speech therapists
- Occupational therapists
- Medical social workers
- Home health aids

Our managers and staff are on call 24 hours a week, 7 days a week to provide excellent continuity of care for your discharged patients. In addition to standard home care services, St. Anthony's Home Care has special programs to help your patients improve their quality of life and stay in their home as well as prevent a readmission. These programs are:

- Congestive heart failure (including telemonitoring for no additional charge)
- COPD (including telemonitoring for no additional charge)
- Balance
- Diabetes education
- Orthopedics
- Pain Management
- Wound

Whether you are discharging a patient or want to make a referral directly from your office, St. Anthony's Home Care will continue providing the best care every day for YOUR patients. Please call (314) 525-7300 to refer a patient.

ACCREDITATION/COMPLIANCE/ REGULATORY ISSUES

- All medical record entries, including test orders, must be legible, signed, dated and timed.
- Telephone orders must be signed, dated and timed upon the physician's next visit to the hospital—not to exceed 48 hours (not to exceed 24 hours for Acute Rehab). Faxed orders are accepted for HODs only (preferably by non-Epic physicians). No faxed orders can be accepted for inpatients other than chemotherapy orders.
- Restraint orders must be signed, dated and timed within 24 hours.
- **PLEASE NOTE** the "Do Not Use" abbreviations at the top of the Physician's Order form.