ACADEMIC AFFAIRS Monday Monthly NEWS for December 22, 2014

**Newsy Notes:** The Offices of Preclinical Curriculum, Admissions and Student Affairs have made the move into the Clinical Center. Visit them (maybe wait for some of the boxes to clear out) in room A112 on the first floor.

**Kudos:** Dr. Rappley is the recipient of the *Michigan State University Robert F. Banks Award for Institutional Leadership*. Congratulations, Dr. Rappley, on this prestigious and well-deserved honor!

Lisa Galbavi, Administrative Assistant to the Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, has been asked by the LCME to speak and share her strategies for organizing site visits. This was a result of how smoothly they felt our recent accreditation site visit went. Thanks, Ms. Galbavi – you make us proud!

**Academic Affairs People You Should Know:** Jay Bryde is the Admissions Officer for the Office of Admissions. She oversees the admissions process and assists with recruiting and advising efforts. Jay has been employed with the university since 1984. She was hired in on a grant with the Department of Pediatrics and Human Development, and remained with CHM after transferring to the Office of Admissions in 1991.

Jay has experienced many positive changes in the admissions process, and she continues to be impressed with the number of outstanding applicants who apply to CHM. She cares deeply about the college’s mission and goals, and takes pride in her daily responsibilities, which impact the future of many talented and well-deserved applicants.

She has been married to her hunting partner, Archie, for 38 years. They have one daughter and two adorable grandchildren. Jay is an active member of her church and an honorary member of Alpha Epsilon Delta national health pre-professional honor society. She is an avid portrait photographer and loyal supporter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation in support of her grandson who was diagnosed with type I diabetes one year ago at the age of two. How ironic that her first job with CHM thirty years ago was working on a grant for juvenile diabetes.
Continuous Quality Improvement Focus: Continuous Quality Improvement Focus: This month’s CQI focus is on:

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<td>We need to increase opportunities for our students to practice and get feedback about their clinical reasoning strategies</td>
<td>Use of the DiffInE Your Approach method of developing and testing differential diagnoses is expanding to the Internal Medicine Clerkship and to PF-Sims stations</td>
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**Student-to-Student Pearl:** “Just pick up the phone,’ has become my new motto. From figuring out where to meet for my clinical rotations, to checking on residency interviews, I have been surprised at the positive response I have received from administrators and offices when I call instead of e-mail. They have even told me that they liked how I showed interest this way.”

**Patient Care Pearl:** Mumps hits the National Hockey League! Despite an estimated seroprevalence of antibody to mumps virus of about 90%, and a 99% decline in cases between 1968 and 1993, sporadic outbreaks occur. These frequently occur in older individuals. This highly-infectious disease spreads rapidly among susceptible people living in close quarters. More serious complications such as meningitis, encephalitis and orchitis may actually occur in the absence of parotitis, which can delay accurate diagnosis. Patients with mumps are contagious 3 days before and about 9 days after the onset of symptoms, requiring fairly prolonged isolation to prevent spread. Local public health officials should be notified of any active cases of mumps.

**New Curriculum Update:** Important Dates for the Shared Discovery Curriculum:

As many of you know, we are planning for a cohort of first year medical students to begin our new Shared Discovery Curriculum in the fall of 2015. Many faculty and students may be wondering what this new curriculum might mean for them. To help answer these questions, we are planning several events on **Wednesday, January 28th**. First, there will be poster sessions in both Grand Rapids and East Lansing from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm and 4 pm to 5:30 pm. The posters will display various aspects of the shared discovery curriculum in detail. That evening there will be a Town Hall from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm in both communities. All are welcome to attend any or of all these events to learn and ask questions.

Finally, we have reserved **the week of February 9th to February 12th, 2015** for faculty and students to participate in an intensive curriculum ‘boot camp’. The boot camp will consist of half-day workshops in both Grand Rapids (Monday February 9th and Tuesday February 10th) and East Lansing (Wednesday February 11th and Thursday February 12th). You will have the chance to create, review and revise curricular content. We will feed you. We will sing songs and write poems in your honor. RSVP and direct questions to Lisa Galbavi at Lisa.Galbavi@hc.msu.edu or 517-353-4998.

Don’t forget that there is a New Curriculum website you can visit: go to [http://curriculum.chm.msu.edu/](http://curriculum.chm.msu.edu/)