Weekly Calendar

7/21: Noon Report—Hospitalist I—Rita Schlanger

7/22: Noon Report—Blue Medicine

7/23: Medical Grand Rounds: Sing Sing Way—"Pregnancy Complications with Perinatal Infection"

7/24: Academic Half Day—Syncope/EKG Weesner Prep—Liver Disease

7/25: Morbidity, Mortality, + Improvement Conference — MSB 3351

SUMMER SPORTS-FEST!

Riding the heels of the World Cup, we will be hosting a Resident/Faculty Co-Ed Soccer Game on Saturday, August 2nd at 4:00 PM. Location to be determined, watch out for future newsletters and posters in the Resident Lounge for details! Cory Lucas will be bringing orange slices and juice boxes for everyone.

Anonymous Feedback

Our website has a section for anonymous feedback. Think of this like an electronic suggestion box that you can use at any time. The message will be sent directly to Dr. Warm, and is completely anonymous. If you have constructive feedback that you would like to share, please use this tool. The link is: http://intmed.uc.edu/education/residency/feedback.aspx
Ear Ache, or Meningitis?

Ned Palmer and the Orange Team discussed a confused patient who showed up at Children’s with an ear ache and was determined to have meningitis. Among other topics, this sparked a discussion about who CT Scanning is indicated prior to Lumbar Puncture. CT scanning is performed to evaluate patients who may have a mass lesion or increased intracranial pressure with rare risk for cerebral herniation with large volume CSF removal.

**INDICATION FOR CT SCAN PRIOR TO LUMBAR PUNCTURE:**

- History of CNS Disease—Lesion, Stroke, Infection
- New onset seizure within 1 week
- Papilledema
- Abnormal level of consciousness, Focal Neurological Deficit
- Immunocompromised State—HIV, Immunosuppressive Tx, Transplant Pt.
- Age >60 - Controversial indication

Pneumocystis Pneumonia. Possibly...

On Tuesday the Purple Team presented a patient with HIV and respiratory failure concerning for Pneumocystis pneumonia. Luckily they kept their differential open and were able to avoid anchoring bias when they re-evaluated and diagnosed para-influenza virus.

**WHAT IS ANCHORING BIAS?**

Anchoring Bias: The tendency to perpetually lock onto salient features in the patient’s initial presentation too early in the diagnostic process, and failing to adjust this initial impression in the light of later information.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON COGNITIVE BIASES THAT LEAD US ASTRAY:**

http://journals.lww.com/academicmedicine/Abstract/2003/08000/The_Importance_of_Cognitive_Errors_in_Diagnosis.3.aspx
VA NEWS

Systems Upgrade

NO CPRS ACCESS AT THE VA ON 7/19/14 8A-8P. Will have access to Vista Read-Only. All orders, progress notes, and H/Ps will have to be on paper and then placed into paper charts at HUC Station

VAMC IT Questions:

VAMC IT Questions can be fielded by Tom Moore x4446 from 8A-2P and Aaron Layton x5141 from 12P-8A

Ward Changes?

If scheduling situations arise with interns being gone for extended periods of time or... say... not ever making it here in the first place, there may be changes in the ward systems going forward.

One potential change is the Hematology/Oncology team may return to it’s usual configuration with 1 senior and 2 interns and a cap of 14 patients—similar to the other subspecialty teams. We appreciate everyone’s flexibility.

Caroline Lee’s Cincinnati Summertime Hot Eats:

Must-Do Dining Recommendations Around Town:


Hyde Park/Oakley: Maribelle’s, Red Feather, Mazunte Taqueria (Fancy Street-Style Tacos), Sleepy Bee Café (Brunch/Lunch), Green Papaya (Thai + Sushi), Lemongrass (Thai), Dancing Wasabi (Sushi, Michael Disagrees), Ichiban (Sushi)
Resident Nominations

Social Chair Nominations!

We need representatives from each class to help plan and advertise social activities throughout the year. Football and soccer games? Grill-outs, cornhole, and bumper bowling? Resident formal dance? Let a chief know if you’re interested or you want to nominate someone who you think would represent you well.

Resident Advisory Committee—R2 Nominations

Internal Medicine needs a group of R2s to represent us to the office of Graduate Medical Education. Nominate an R2. Previous improvements include better lounge food, more lounge computers, and Resident Free Food Appreciation Days.

Baby Time!

Hurray for Josephine Hellmann, swiftly working through her 2nd week on Earth!

Yellow Team!

Avanti is Happy. Denada looks more like Cory today.

SHOUT OUTS!!! (Let us know who Rocks)

-Sarma Singam let a locked out and homeless intern crash on his couch!

-Nabeela Siddiqui crushed it as Cardiology 6 South senior with an average daily census of 415.

-Tim Williams and Samer Alsidawi who beat Dr. Warm and Dr. Mathis in a heated game of foosball.

-Robbie Bach, Robin Wright, Nida Hussain, Javier Baez, Ned Palmer, and Merranda Holmes all had patients give them shout outs for awesome patient care!