Weekly Calendar

8/11: Noon Report—Orange Medicine
8/12: Noon Report—Yellow Medicine
8/13: Medical Grand Rounds: Saulius Girnius—"From Localized to Systemic Amyloidosis"
78/14: Academic Half Day—Respiratory Failure       Senior Prep—Acute Renal Insufficiency
8/15: Intern Report—Yasmin Hassoun                  Senior Report—Kate Schmidt

~Summer Time Fun~

We don’t mess around...

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
CMV Colitis in Transplant Medicine

Glenn Quarles discussed a liver transplant patient with abdominal pain and diarrhea that was diagnosed with CMV Colitis. In addition to discussing definitive diagnosis of CMV Colitis, the case highlighted the types of infections to which liver transplant patients are especially susceptible.

A Fungus Among Us

Cody Lee and Kalyn Jolivette presented a case of candidemia associated with TPN after several abdominal surgeries. After a thorough infectious evaluation, the patient was noted to have a new murmur. Despite a negative transthoracic echocardiogram, they were able to demonstrate a significant vegetation on transesophageal echocardiogram. The week’s discussions were filled with infectious complications associated with advanced medical care.
VA Moving & Shaking

Lots of action lately at the VA. We have new computer screens, we moved morning report to noon, and we have food at noon report now! We’re working on getting additional Computer On Wheels for rounds and we almost have team pagers! We’re working on an interdisciplinary MM&I conference featuring all departments. The teams have been doing well at code simulation training. The teams have had some complex and seriously ill patients—MRSA endocarditis with septic emboli, diverticulitis with a colovesicular fistula—and handled the cases like seasoned vets. We will be asking all the residents to fill out a survey regarding the Tele-ICU experience—our hope is to have structured teaching sessions for VA-NF residents with the Tele-ICU Attendings!

-Scott

In the Clinic....

Jeff Norton, the newly hired Chief Performance Officer of UC Health who will lead the Center for Enterprise Performance Improvement at UC Health, came to the Hoxworth Clinic meeting this past Monday. He helped to develop a process map involving the Hoxworth Clinic prescription refill process. There was great discussion about the process, and Elise Henning has organized a follow-up meeting to further investigate this process map. Any residents interested in participating in this quality improvement project should contact Steven Gay or Elise Henning. Jeff Norton will be a great resource for quality improvement throughout our medical center, as he works to implement Lean Methodology for quality improvement throughout our medical center.

Steven Gay, M.D.
Epic Down-Time
Sunday, August 10th 2AM—630AM

-Paperwork is in the Resident Lounge!-

Epic maintenance will occur early morning Sunday August 10th at 2AM. Epic will be Maintenance Read Only during this time. Orders will need to be hand-written and results will be sent to nursing stations via tube system. Notes occurring during down-time can be handwritten in the physical chart with Epic documentation stating as much on re-boot.

Gridiron!
UC’s Nippert Stadium will be hosting bigtime Pee-Wee Football this coming Saturday August 9th. Cameron Ditty’s son AJ will be playing for Mason at 3:55. If interested, entry is a few dollars for games all day including stadium tours.

Research Corner - a slice of UC IM’s cutting edge.

Keaton Jones worked on a project looking at the gut-liver axis with Dr. Alexander Miethke, program director of the transplant hepatology fellowship at CCHMC. “Many patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) also have concomitant autoimmune liver disease (AILD). Our research looked specifically at how the type of IBD (UC vs CD) affects the phenotype of primary sclerosing cholangitis (PSC), a form of AILD. We found that in our pediatric population, PSC is associated with CD more commonly than in the adult population where PSC is almost exclusively seen alone or in combination with UC. We also found that in our pediatric population those with PSC and CD had phenotypically different liver disease from those with PSC and UC. At time of PSC diagnosis these pediatric patients demonstrated more significant cholestasis and inflammation on serology as well as more extrahepatic duct disease on cholangiography. We presented these findings during the Digestive Disease Week conference in Chicago in May 2014 and are currently drafting a manuscript to submit to the Journal of Inflammatory Bowel Disease for submission in September 2014.” -K.J.
WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN—AUGUST 9th-17th

Be sure to head out to the Western & Southern Open featuring top talent like Roger Federer, Novak Djokovic, Andy Murray, John Isner, Serena Williams, Na Li, Maria Sharapova, and many more competing for the trophy! Tickets—Cincytennis.com

Where’d Everyone Go?

UH Wards dipped to an almost historic low during early August. With resident teams dipping from the 130s into the 120s by the afternoon, something was amiss. Early reports noted the cause to be Nida Hussain healing most of the local population. As she transitioned to consults, things seem to be back up and humming now.

The Death of a Silver Fridge...

The silver fridge taught us many lessons. And then it’s compressor died. Until Maintenance can raise it from the dead, it’s a mini-fridge party in the Resident Lounge.

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

-Jillian Wang for cleaning out the silver fridge before it broke. She meant well.

-John Muriithi and Andrew Petersen are bringing home the bacon on a busy VA Night Float service and doing a fantastic job per the VA attendings and residents.

-Brian Miller had some anonymous shout-outs for being a helpful senior and going above and beyond the call of duty for his interns and patients. Did you know there’s an anonymous feedback birdhouse outside the inpatient chief office?

-Caitlin Richter, Beverly Srinivasan & Co. all got shout-outs for amazing work admitting on long call. After several straight shout outs, Tim Williams will resume shout-out eligibility next week.