The StethoSCOOP

Weekly Calendar

6/8: Noon Report: Amanda Alleyne, Danny Peters
6/9: Noon Report: Steven Rudick, Megan Adams
6/10: Medical Grand Rounds: Dr. Ciaran Kelly (Beth Israel) “C Diff—Beyond Antibiotics”
6/11: Academic Half Day/Weesner Prep: Open Forum
6/12: Trainee’s Grand Rounds— Atrium (Outside Health Sciences Library)

Robbie’s Angels

After the Jeopardy Victory: “Sorry ladies, but John is my favorite angel.”

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
On Friday, Miguel and Arek discussed a case of diarrhea in an HIV patient. The likely etiology was Microsporidia, although MAC was also a concern. LFTs were also abnormal. Here’s a bit on diarrhea and hepatopathy in the HIV patient:

**Diarrhea Etiologies**

**Usual pathogens:**
- Bacterial: E.coli, C.diff, Salmonella, C.jejuni, Shigella, Yersinia
- Viral: Rotavirus, norovirus, adenovirus

**Opportunistic infections:**
- Bacterial: MAC, TB
- Viral: CMV, HSV, HIV itself
- Protozoan: Giardia, The “Spora’s”: Cyclospora, Isospora, Microsporidium, Cryptosporidium, Entamoeba histolytica
- Fungal: Histo, coccidiomycosis, candida

**Medication/HAART related**

**Infiltrative:**
- Kaposi sarcoma, Lymphoma

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**Work up**
- Stool culture, O + P
- C.diff toxin
- Stool acid-fast smear if concern for Cryptosporidium, Isospora, MAC, cyclospora
- Stool Trichrome staining for microsporidium
- Fungal isolator blood cx tubes if MAC considered
- Colonoscopy/endoscopy with biopsy if suspecting cancer, CMV.

**Treatment Highlights:**
- Microsporidium: Albendazole 400 mg PO BID x 2-4 weeks
- Disseminated MAC: Clarithromycin + Ethambutol
- CMV colitis: Ganciclovir 3-6 weeks

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**A quick note on AIDS cholangiopathy**
- Seen when CD4 < 100
- Sx = Fever, RUQ pain, jaundice, diarrhea
- Often 2/2 infectious etiology: Cryptosporidium, CMV, microsporidium, cyclospora
- Dx: Diffuse strictures in biliary tract on ERCP
- Tx: Treating infectious agent does NOT typically help cholangiopathy. Tx = stenting
Graduation Coverage!
The graduating residents extend a special thank you to Steve Bohinc, Katie D., Thomas, Steve Gannon, Denada, Malani, and Nabeela ...and Michael and Sarah Sabbah!

WEDDING BELLs!
Marriage is in the air! Congrats to Kathrine Clark and Mark Phillips! ...and Elise Henning and Michael Binder!

EPIC DOWNTIME!
Take note of the 4 hour Epic Downtime this coming Sunday June 7th 2AM-6AM.

Lounge Deep Clean!
The Resident Lounge is getting exfoliated! Environmental Services is doing a deep dive to help us get the place sparkling clean over-night on June 11th. EVS takes over at 10PM and will have the room for several hours—BE SURE TO TAKE HOME ANY STUFF YOU NEED FROM THE LOUNGE THIS WEEK!

ONLY FOOLS
LEAVE DIRTY DISHES IN THE SINK!
Q: What are the indications for cardiac resynchronization therapy in a patient with systolic heart failure?

A: Severe symptomatic CHF (NYHA III-IV) + LVEF < 35% + QRS > 120 ms .... while on optimal medical therapy

Extended Dwell Line

The PICC Nursing Team now has the ability to place Extended Dwell Peripheral Catheters. These are longer and more durable than PIVs and can be used for up to 28 days in patients who are difficult sticks or need longer infusions. These have also shown lower infection rates than PICC catheters. The PICC orderset has been adjusted to understand indications and PICC nurses will be trying to use these catheters when appropriate.

Lab Changes: Duplicate Orders

The lab has updated the C Diff order process. Epic will now display a clear warning signal that a C Diff lab is being cancelled if the provider tries to test for C Diff within 7 days of a previous result. Watch for these windows and if a repeat test is warranted, info to call the lab is provided!
The Weekend To-Do List: June 5th-7th

1) **Bunbury Music Festival:** 6/5-7, Sawyer Point, Downtown. Three day, four stage music festival including The Black Keys, Avett Brothers, Snoop Dogg, and Marshall’s Atmosphere.

2) **Dave Matthews Band:** 6/5 7:30, Riverbend Music Center. $40+.

3) **Taste of Newport:** 6/7 Newport’s finest tastes with music, entertainment, and sidewalk sales. Rain or shine, all items under $5.

4) **Ja Rule:** 6/6 The “Self-Diploma Concert” Free concert on Fountain Square with opening acts at 7, Ja-Rule on at 10.

5) **Starlight Drive-In Theater:** Now open Tue-Sun with double feature movies! $8.50, Amelia.

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**Medical Trivia**

First responder to Dana with the diagnosis suggested by this EKG gets a Starbucks card!

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

-Shout out to **Steve Cogorno** for saving the StethoSCOOP from Deleted File Purgatory!!

-Shout out to **The Team Michael** for crushing it at the VAMC.

-Shout out to **Tim Williams** for winning the Resident Teaching Award, **Arek Manugian** for winning the Patient Care Award, and **Jeff Hausfeld** for winning the Upstanding Gentleman Award at this week’s Medical Grand Rounds!

-Shout Out to **Lauryn Benninger** for organizing a great party at Eli’s BBQ for Leila’s Birthday!

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**VA TEAM 3**

Attending: Michael Binder
Intern: Michael Northcutt
Michael Sabbah
AI: Sarah “Michael” Smith
Senior: Michael Gaddipati