



January 14, 2020



New Position Announcement: Medical Director of Recruiting

As announced in the January faculty meeting, the Department of Anesthesiology is introducing a position for Medical Director of Recruiting to support the exuberant growth of the department.

One of the critical missions of the Department is to recruit faculty with expertise and passion for patient care, research and education in all of their combinations. Devoting a directorship to this task highlights its importance.

The faculty member who assumes this role will work with Dr. Sandberg and Dr. Rice to augment our recruitment efforts by interacting with recruits and acting as an additional source of input in the hiring process.

Please contact Dr. Rice at mkrice@vumc.org if you are interested in learning more about this position.

Anesthesia Cart Redesign - Input Needed!

Please fill out this five minute survey. We hope to use this survey to improve anesthesia cart organization and reduce the quantity of unnecessary items stocked in the ORs.

<https://redcap.vanderbilt.edu/surveys/?s=CLWE9AC3J3>

MOCA Course Available Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020

If any faculty member is needing to meet the certification requirement, please consider taking the MOCA course on Saturday, Feb. 8. We are needing at least one, preferably two more participants for this date. The total discounted cost is \$1,525. If any questions, please contact Beverly Fletcher at: Beverly.fletcher@vumc.org.

Pre-filled Medication Changes

Major changes to pre-filled medication syringes are now in the OR.

[Click here for more information...](#)

-Justin Liberman, MD

Lead Apron Fitting Sessions

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 19 – Thursday, Feb. 20

Location: VUH 3119

Contact: Rosalia Gaudino.

Burn ERAS

Burn ERAS protocol went live last week. This protocol applies to inpatients having excision and grafting procedures. Burn surgery will consult the periop team for pre-operative blocks and post-operative pain management. You should see the banner pop up if your patient is on protocol, similar to other ERAS protocol patients. The protocol can be found on the CEBA website.

Please contact [Christina Hayhurst, MD](#), with any questions.

-Christina Hayhurst, MD, and Ryan Smith, MD

eStar Updates – Quality Capture Application (QCA) Now Mandatory

As announced at the December faculty meeting, as of Wednesday, Jan. 8, the previously optional requirement to complete a Quality Capture Application (QCA) entry became a **mandatory** part of closing an anesthetic record. These quality data are being periodically reviewed by our quality and safety team, led by Paul St. Jacques, MD.

-Jon Wenderer, MD

Electronic Grateful Patient Referral

As of Wednesday, Jan. 8, you can use the Quality Capture Application (QCA) to designate patients as possible grateful patients. By checking "Possible Grateful Patient", you are confidentially notifying the VUMC Development Office that this patient may have had an impactful or uniquely meaningful perioperative experience. The Development Office may follow up with the patient.

-Jon Wenderer, MD



CLARITY

A study published this month in JAMA identifies 5 ways to communicate more effectively with patients: (1) prepare for each patient encounter with intention; (2) listen intently and completely; (3) seek agreement on what matters most; (4) connect with the patient's story; and (5) explore emotional cues. To read the full study, [click here](#).

Reminder: CDA Applications

The CDA applications, emailed on Jan. 2, are due by **Thursday, Jan. 23**, along with an **updated CV** to [AnesthesiologyFacultyAffairs@vumc.org](#). FAQs are available on the Department webpage under "Intranet". The Department Office of Faculty Affairs is available for assistance.

Still Needing Attending Coverage for Intern Assessments

Thank you everyone who has signed up! We still need five volunteers for intern global assessments. Please see below and let me know if you can help. Sessions run 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., CELA 4th floor. Please email [Maren](#) if available for any date(s):

1/30: need three volunteers

2/20: need one volunteer

2/27: need one volunteer

VUMC Faculty Physician Parent Affinity Group

The VUMC Faculty Physician Parent Affinity Group is now active. Please [click here](#) to request to join.

Please contact [Rachel Apple](#) with questions.

Summer Student Research Projects

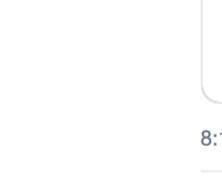
It's time to start planning for 2020 summer students. Please consider assigning students to ongoing projects. However, if you do have a research project in mind that would be suitable for a summer student, please submit the project to PCRI by **Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020**. Submission link: <http://j.mp/2CKw8p3>.

-PCRI Team

SurveyVitals - Scores and Alerts

[Click here](#) to view scores and alerts in SurveyVitals.

Contact [Harrison Johnson](#) if you have any questions or trouble logging in.



Grand Rounds

January 17 | 6:30 a.m. | 214 Light Hall

"Operating Room Crisis Management: An Intraoperative and Perioperative Approach"

Dalekigh M. Colles, Rita Baldi, Veronika Kerev, David J. Marcus, Nolan D. Herter, Brandon D. Turner, Jade K. Ayers,

Jordan J. Basile, Maya P. Misra, Veronika Kerev, Carlie A. Gruter, Brad A. Gruter, and Sachin Patel

Presented by

Alexander F. Arriaga, MD, MPH, ScD

Assistant Professor of Anesthesia, Harvard Medical School

Assistant Program Director, Residency Program

Department of Anesthesiology, Perioperative and Pain Medicine

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Associate Faculty, Ariadne Labs

Boston, Massachusetts

All are invited. [Read more](#)

Additional CME Opportunities

Surgical Grand Rounds: Friday, January 17th at 7:00 am in 208 Light Hall

Presented by: Dr. Karen Brasel

[Click here](#) to view flyer.

[Click here](#) to view the Spring 2020 Flexner Discovery Lecture Series schedule.

Anesthesiology Education Conference Schedule

[Click here](#) to view the most recent Turnout calendar for the 2019 academic year.

Grand Rounds and Visiting Professor Seminars

[Click here](#) to view the most recent conference schedule for the 2020 academic year.

Employee Recognition: GEMs (Going the Extra Mile)

We want to recognize good work when we see it and encourage our colleagues to recommend our next GEM. Do you know someone who has made your day brighter or easier? Someone who has gone above and beyond? Please let us know the details so that we can recognize that person for a job well done.

Please [click here](#) to submit a GEM recommendation.

Coming Soon!

Free for Lunch?

Join us at the Free for Lunch(FFL) community

table each Friday at noon in the

VUH Physicians' Dining Room.

Starting January 10th, connect with your physician colleagues at the FFL community table.

Each week a physician host will be available with a warm welcome and conversation.

Given the nature of clinical and hospital work, grabbing a quick lunch and eating alone often becomes the routine. The FFL community table provides an opportunity for physicians to sit down and eat with other physicians who happen to be free for lunch at the same time!

*Feel free to bring your own lunch or pick up a bite to eat in the cafeteria on your way in!

Join Friday, January 10th

(and every Friday through March 27th)

12:00 pm–1:00 pm

VUH Physicians' Dining Room

(in the Courtyard Cafe)

Click here to view full flyer.

EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM & DINNER

Please join us for an evening of learning and discussion

"Feedback as Coaching: How to Guide Resident Development"

Michael Sullivan, MD, FRCPC

Department of Anesthesiology

Southlake Regional Health Centre

Newmarket, Ontario

January 23, 2020 at 5:30 pm

Light Hall 214

Please RSVP by clicking the link below

<http://j.mp/2RM0PSu>

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Watch the Weekly Update for your opportunity to submit a nomination!

Click here to nominate a colleague!

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VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

presents the 16th annual

Research Symposium

Friday, May 1, 2020

Vanderbilt University Student Life Center

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Hilary P. Grocott, MD

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Click here to RSVP.

Click here to view our January Birthdays.

New Hires: Faculty

Sarah Thomas, MD

Multispecialty Adult Anesthesiology

Kellie Deffendall

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Visiting Professor Seminar

January 16 | 3:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m. | 2301-A VUH

"Problem-Based Learning Discussion on Data-Driven Topics in Anesthesia"

Presented by

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Press Coverage and Publications

An endocannabinoid-regulated basolateral amygdala-nucleus accumbens circuit modulates sociability. *The Journal of Clinical Investigation*, December 24, 2019

NEW! Recent Publications

Click here to view the Spring 2020 Flexner Discovery Lecture Series schedule.

Tweet of the Week