SOCIAL COHESION IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

How our HMP is communicating, supporting one another, innovating, stepping-up, staying well, and showing gratitude

Paul Pottinger stopped by the UWMC team meeting to discuss updates

All sites collaborated on sending thanks and support to friends and former colleagues all over the US

Susan Hunt, Kyle Sears, and Tiffany Chen getting PPE training and FIT tested (above). Molly Jackson showing hers off (left)

Covid socks has taken over the hospital world. Randi Morrison (above) Dan Cabrera and Andrew Hahn (left) show off theirs.

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Edie Shen, MD  
NEW AT HMC  
Medicine Polytrauma Service

Edie tells us, “In January, Hospital Medicine at Harborview launched the Medicine Polytrauma Service (MPS) in collaboration with the General Surgery division. This surgical hospitalist service cares for patients who have suffered complex surgical injuries from trauma, involving multiple surgical subspecialists but have no general surgery operative needs. The General Surgery department hosts a monthly social luncheon to foster learning and team building across these respective departments. Going forward, MPS will be partnering Harborview hospital medicine physicians with advanced practice providers, who are slated to begin the on-boarding process in June, in the care of these polytrauma patients.”

Stories from the Faculty Exchange Program

Steven Disharoon  
UWMC

“Having the opportunity to work at HMC for a few weeks has been a great experience. Professionally, it’s a great exercise in learning how to work in different healthcare systems and with a different patient population. I have been in awe of the tremendous team effort that is made to provide care to the most vulnerable of patients. My favorite part, however, has been the opportunity to work with our amazing colleagues over at Harborview and get to know them better.”

Randi Morrison  
HMC

“It was an exciting day when I headed back to UWMC. I hadn’t worked there since residency 15 years ago. I found it was a wonderful chance to interact with UW hospitalists I’d previously only known by name and revisit a different patient population, staff, and work flow. Everyone was warm and welcoming. I love my HMC home, but it is easy to become complacent in a familiar environment. The swap opportunity helped me shake things up and forge new bonds with my UW colleagues. Especially during these challenging times, it is great to feel even more connected across our hospitalist group. I highly recommend the program for any eligible staff.”

Dan Cabrera  
HMC

“I recommend that every Hospitalist take part in the exchange program! It was great to be able to see patients with medical conditions not often seen at HMC. I also enjoyed being able to work alongside the awesome group of docs at UWMC. It is my belief that learning medicine in different settings allows for better overall care for your individual patients. And how great is it to be have an expanded pool of hospitalists to work at both hospitals?”

Susan Merel  
UWMC

“I participated in the swap and felt welcomed and supported by my HMC colleagues. It was a great opportunity to use some clinical skills I had not used in a while because the patient populations are different. Highly recommend!”

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Elizabeth Kaplan, Shobha Stack, and Mike Krug have been recognized by the WWAMI Pro Recognition Program. The WWAMI Pro is a medical student–driven recognition program, created to empower students to honor professionalism in the UWSOM community. UW medical students can recognize any individual who contributes to a positive, respectful, and supportive learning environment.

Recent Publications


CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Michael Lenaeus, was one of three recipients of the Chair of Medicine Scholars Award. The Chair of Medicine Scholars Awards, initiated in 2013, are awarded annually to meritorious University of Washington Department of Medicine trainees to foster their transition to the roles of physician-scientist and principal investigator. Each award offers $50K per year for two years in salary support to facilitate transition to appointment as a junior faculty member.