MEDICAL STAFF BRIEFS

A Publication from the Chief of Staff and Chief Medical Officer



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Satisfying DEA-Registration Requirements

A new federal requirement calls for Drug Enforcement Agency-registered practitioners to complete additional education on the treatment and management of patients with opioid or other substance use disorders to renew their DEA registration.

After June 27, 2023, most* DEA-registered physicians and providers must complete the one-time training, and at their next upcoming DEA registration, first-time applications and renewals must check the online form to affirm they have done so.

If you have not met this specific training requirement, the deadline to do so will be the date of your next scheduled DEA registration submission. The one-time, eight-hour training can be completed across multiple sessions.

Providence convened a multi-disciplinary workgroup of subject-matter experts to review training options and provide a systemwide recommendation that meets requirements. Based on their review, this free eight-hour, self-paced online training option is recommended for physicians and providers to satisfy the training requirement is available on sharepoint.com:

Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS) 8 hour Online Buprenorphine Training

More information

- *Exceptions to this requirement: Practitioners who are board certified in certain addiction medicine or psychiatry specialties, or those who have completed recent, similar education may not have to complete this training.
- CME that covers "prevention, recognition, and care of people with substance use disorders" counts toward the cumulative eight-hour requirement, even if completed before the Medication Access and Training Expansion Act was passed.
- Read the DEA guidance for full details.

Scheduled IT Updates and Downtime

Epic Clinical Optimization will result in a downtime taking place on Sunday, May 21 at 1 a.m. Also, please check your emails for other important information regarding Epic updates in May sent from the Medical Staff Office.

Easypass Disaster Recovery Testing will briefly disrupt service at all SoCal ministries on June 2 and 4 at 11 p.m. Each disruption should only last five minutes. During these downtimes:

- New logins will not be available.
- Existing sessions will still be available if the caregiver does not "badge out."
- Any attempt to roam the Easypass session will result in a failed session.
- Prior to testing, all Easypass sessions will receive a 30-minute and 15-minute warning pop-up message to save their work. Any work not saved prior to testing will be lost.

Cledical Staff

Each May, SJO Nursing Services selects physicians to honor for their superior skills in communication, collaboration and respect. In presenting the awards to two outstanding doctors, Chief Nursing Officer Michelle Genova remarked:

FRIEND OF NURSING AWARDS 2023







Jiten Mehta, MD Nephrologist

DR. ELAINE LEE has helped bring Nursing and physicians closer together with her approach to interdisciplinary partnership. She solicits input and ideas from Nursing on how to improve processes that touch both the physician and Nursing worlds independently or together. She is friendly, approachable, and has a professional sense of humor that helps to break down barriers and make those working with her feel comfortable. Throughout all our work together she has been patient, collaborative, respectful and has provided a listening ear. She is very active in providing timely and unbiased feedback and suggestions to advance patient care practice here at St. Joe's. We are lucky to have Dr. Lee on our team and as a dedicated partner with Nursing to provide the best care as our patients deserve.

DR. JITEN MEHTA is extremely approachable and hands-on in every encounter. He never fails to find his patient's nurse, give a verbal report and ask if there is anything else he can help with based on their nursing assessment. He consistently provides care with a calm and compassionate demeanor educating not only his patients but the staff on his plan of care and how he came to those conclusions. He has taken the time to learn the nurses' names and in return our nurses feel seen and respected by him. He is the first person to call out when the Nursing staff has gone the extra mile to advocate for a patient, pushing through boundaries to ensure orders are carried out and care is delivered effectively and efficiently. Dr. Mehta is a shining star on how collaborative physician and nurse communication can lead to positive outcomes!



May the force be with you – The Doctors' Dining Room channeled Star Wars on May the 4th when our creative Nutrition Services team served lots of light-side snacks like Clone War Crackers, Imperial Peppperoni, Chewbaca Cheese and Yoda Soda.

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VOICE OF THE PATIENT AWARDS



Dr. Joseph Khan



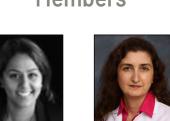
Dr. Emmeline Kuo



Dr. Renshy Shih

Every quarter, SJO Patient Experience recognizes recipients for our Voice of the Patient Award. These recipients are selected based on patient comments, letters and/or from the Thanks for Caring cards. Recipients are not just mentioned by name, but recognized for creating sacred encounters, memorable moments, going above and beyond, easing the way for our patients, and/or are mentioned several times in a positive way. For Q1, these three physicians are recognized.

WFI COMF to New **Providence** St. Joseph Hospital **Medical Staff Members**



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