



UNIVERSITY of
ROCHESTER

Palliative Care Program & Division of Medical Humanities and Bioethics

NEWSLETTER

October 2017

Editor: Gina Caquias

NOON CONFERENCE SERIES

Wednesday, October 4 - INTERDISCIPLINARY CLINICAL ETHICS NOON CONFERENCE - "Charlie Gard and the Ethics of Decision Making" presented by : **Carl T. D'Angio, MD**, Professor, Pediatrics (Neonatology) & Medical Humanities and Bioethics, **O.J. Sahler, MD**, Professor, Pediatrics (Hematology and Oncology) & Medical Humanities and Bioethics and **Margie H. Shaw, JD, PhD**, Assistant Professor, Medical Humanities and Bioethics. Noon – 1 pm K-307 (3-6408) URMC.

Wednesday, October 11 - SPIRITUAL REFLECTION ROUNDS – "Caring for Mormon Patients in the Hospital Setting" Noon – 1 p.m. K-207 (Rm. 2-6408), URMC. You are welcome to bring your lunch.

Friday, October 13 - MEDICAL HUMANITIES NOON CONFERENCE - "Health Policy During the Trump Administration" presented by **Theodore M. Brown, PhD**. Professor of History and Phelps Professor of Public Health & Policy. Noon – 1 p.m. K-207 (Rm. 2-6408), URMC. You are welcome to bring your lunch.

Wednesday, October 18 - SCHWARTZ CENTER CONFERENCE - TBD - Noon – 1 p.m. Whipple Auditorium (Rm. 2-6424). Lunch will be provided.

Wednesday, October 25 - PALLIATIVE CARE GRAND ROUNDS – TBD - Noon – 1 p.m. K-207 (Rm. 2-6408), URMC. Lunch will be provided.

URMC ACTIVITIES



Monday, October 2 - SISCHY LECTURE - "What Patients Say, What Doctors Hear (and Vice Versa)" presented by **Danielle Ofri, MD, PhD**, Associate Professor of Medicine, New York University School of Medicine. 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Memorial Art Gallery, 500 University Ave, Rochester, NY. Please RSVP to Pullen, Angela (apullen@admin.rochester.edu)

Wednesday, October 11 – GEORGE WASHINGTON CORNER SOCIETY - "1918 Spanish Influenza Epidemic: Why the 'Forgotten' Epidemic?" Presented by **Teresa Lehr**, Independent Public Health History Researcher, and Author. 5:30 p.m. Social Gathering. 6:30 p.m. Lecture .At The Rochester Academy of Medicine at 1441 East Ave.

FAMILY ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION - ** No Conference ******

Geriatric Medicine Grand Rounds - (This activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit) 8 – 9:00 a.m. Monroe Community Hospital, 435 East Henrietta Road, Rochester, NY - Main Floor, Brass Chandelier Room. Registration is not necessary. For questions, contact Judy Hazelden at 760-6352.

October 4 - * No Grand Rounds*****

October 11 - “The Changing Face of Older Adult Addiction” presented by Carol D’Agostino, LCSW, MA, CASAC

October 18 - The Aging Respiratory System: Once we cure cancer, and all have healthy hearts, is respiratory failure inevitable? Presented by Michael Kalley, MD

October 25 – Skin Care for Older Adults presented by Alice Pentland, MD

University of Rochester Medical Center
OFFICE FOR INCLUSION AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT
and the PAUL M. SCHYVE, MD CENTER FOR BIOETHICS
Part of the Diversity Seminar Series

Thursday, October 26 - Facing the Guilt, Remembering the Victims: A German Physician Confronts the History of Her Family and Profession in WWII presented by Franziska Eckert, MD. Noon – 1 p.m. Upper Auditorium (3-7619). To register for this event, please email: inclusion@urmc.rochester.edu.

Dr. Eckert, a radiation oncologist from Tüebingen, Germany, will discuss the story her discovery of the involvement of her family and profession in Nazi war crimes. Her story dramatically explores the relevance of facing history to better address the moral dilemmas of the present.

Thursday, October 26 – “Hard Choices for Loving People: Talking about Treatment Decisions at the End of Life”
presented by Hank Dunn, M.Div., Author of *Hard Choices for Loving People: CPR, Feeding Tubes, Palliative Care, Comfort measures, and the Patient with a Serious Illness*. Rochester Academy of Medicine, 7-8:30 p.m. Sponsored by Lifetime Care. For planning purposes please pre-register at (585) 214-1574; \$5 donation to hospice requested at the door.

Friday, October 27 - GRIEFSCAPE: at Lifetime Care (3111 Winton Road, So.) – 8:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Heart and Soul: Supporting Patients, Families, and Caregivers as they Talk, Decide... and Grieve

Morning program: Hank Dunn, “Hard Choices for Loving People: Letting Be at the End of Life”

Afternoon program: When Grief is Complicated by Mental Illness

Fee: \$60 (full day) or \$35 (half); includes breakfast & lunch plus a free copy of “Hard Choices for Loving People”. For more

The [Collaborative for Palliative Care, End of Life Choices New York](#), and the [Finger Lakes Geriatric Education Center \(FLGEC\)](#) have created a **FREE** resource booklet, [Palliative Care in New York State](#).

We are pleased to share this informational booklet “PALLIATIVE CARE IN NEW YORK STATE” from the Collaborative for Palliative Care with its partners End of Life Choices New York and the Finger Lakes Geriatrics Education Center at the University of Rochester. The information is based upon New York State law and Department of Health guidance. This is valuable information for you and your loved ones about palliative and end-of-life care and advance care planning.

The booklet may be downloaded for free at: <https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/medicine/geriatrics/flgec/palliative-care-in-nys.aspx>

SAVE the DATE

Nov 3rd - 5th Annual Palliative Care Collaborative of Rochester Educational Conference- 7:30 AM - 3:45 PM

This conference targets an inter-disciplinary audience of palliative care generalists and specialists from the Western New York Region to establish an annual venue for continuing professional education in the evolving science and practice of palliative care.

MEMBERS' CORNER

The Members' Corner is designed to share information with our readers on grants, publications, awards, interesting articles/websites, etc. Please send your news to Gina.Caquias@urmc.rochester.edu



We are excited to announce several wonderful additions to our Palliative Care Program team, in chronological order:

- Paul Duberstein PhD** joined us in September as Director of our new Palliative Care Research Program
- Sue Ladwig MPH**, our long-standing Quality Improvement Coordinator, expanded her role in September to serve as Coordinator of our new Research Program.
- Tom Carroll MD PhD** was hired in September as Director of our Program's new clinician palliative care education initiative.
- Sybil Prince, LMSW** joined our outpatient practice in September as our palliative care Mental Health Therapist.
- Kathy Lechner RN** will be moving from the Palliative Care inpatient Unit to our outpatient practice in mid-October.
- Meghan Neary** will join our Program Office as Administrative Assistant in the clinical program in mid-October.
- Elaine Townsend FNP** will become our 5th inpatient Palliative Care team Nurse Practitioner in November.
- Rachel Diamond MD** joins our faculty as inpatient Palliative Care consultant starting mid-October.

Please join me in welcoming these amazing individuals to our clinical, educational, research, and administrative teams as we continue to ensure the best possible care for our community's seriously ill patients and their families.