CARING

Women are blessed with a strength that represents the divine because they create life. The woman emerges from the stone in an embrace of mutual caring. Their arms encircle one another and give strength and balance.

The essence of the sculpture is flowing. The stone flows with peacefulness that I hope stimulates the viewer's minds to contemplate how much we all need each other. Everything in the universe follows the cycle of birth, growth, maturity, death, and rebirth. Understanding this concept brings peace and healing within.
"Delivering the best, evidence-based care available to the women of Western New York"

Dr. Eva K. Pressman
Chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

WELCOME

In the pages that follow, you’ll find the highlights of another remarkable year for our department, thanks to a dedicated team of professionals. Our new format highlights the numbers that underlie what we have achieved and the articles offer a glimpse of the extraordinary people and programs behind those numbers.

In 2018–19, we improved the lives of women and children through improved access to care, quality and safety advancements and collaborations with many other departments at the University. With our focus on patient care, research, education, and community engagement, we continue our longstanding tradition of delivering the best, evidence-based care available to the women of Western New York, providing educational opportunities at all levels of training and pushing the boundaries of research in women’s health.

Working with the other departments of the University of Rochester, we strive to be a leader in patient care, innovative research and obstetric and gynecologic education while promoting excellence in all areas that support women’s health.

I am proud to lead such a caring and accomplished department and look forward to all we will do together in the coming years.

Eva K. Pressman, MD
Henry A. Thiede Professor and Chair
Obstetrics and Gynecology
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URMC OBGYN

COMMUNITY

Engaging with the Rochester Community to Achieve

EVER BETTER HEALTH FOR ALL
Women's Health Practice

Smoking Cessation Initiative
Approximately 33% of patient partners benefit from Smoking Cessation Intervention merely by accompanying patient to care management visit.

Kids book drive

Holiday gift giving to families in need
Collaboration between the WHP Unit Council and Social Work team

Baby Cafe at Our Women's Health Practice

Offers free resources for pregnant and breastfeeding mothers such as:

- Support from specifically-trained staff
- Opportunities to share experiences and make friends
- Refreshments, comfortable seating, and open-forum discussions
- Some cafes offer play areas for accompanying toddlers

1st and 3rd Wednesday of Every Month from 1pm – 3pm
**CARe Benefit**
- Childbearing After Recovery annual benefit
- 2018 Benefit was the 10th annual event
- Over $150,000 raised throughout the history of the benefit
- Funds provide coverage for fertility preservation for those facing cancer therapies that may result in infertility

**Partnership with Planned Parenthood**
Our partnership with Planned Parenthood continues. Dr. Amy Harrington and Dr. Sarah Betstadt continue to train residents at their locations.

**LGBTQIA+ Family Resource Fair**
Members of the Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility Division participate in the annual Trillium Health LGBTQ+ family resource fair annually.
Academic Breastfeeding: An Award-Winning Year in Review

UR Medicine Breastfeeding providers and lactation consultants have gained local, national, and international distinction through our efforts to expand services to breastfeeding and lactating people.

As a department of 16 lactation consultants (IBCLC certified or pending certification), 2 providers (MD and midwife) and 2 staff members, the program is supported collaboratively between Obstetrics and Gynecology and Pediatrics.

This year the program has made strides clinically, in teaching and in international reputation. We were honored with the IBCLC Care Award from the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners® (IBLCE®) and International Lactation Consultant Association® (ILCA®) for excellence in lactation care.

"This is our commitment to the health of our community"

In 2019, as a result of a community advisory board meeting on what we should accomplish for the Rochester community, Donna Vogt-Barrows, IBCLC and Dr. Rosen-Carole joined forces with the University of Rochester School of Nursing to develop the first-ever IBCLC training academy in the Northeast. Though as a novel effort this program takes significant time, energy and resources to build “it is the kind of initiative that we need to do,” said Kathy Rideout, EdD, PNP, Dean of the School of Nursing, “this is our commitment to the health of our community.” Lindsay Deleo, a DNP candidate at the School, is the project lead.
2019 also saw UR Medicine breaking ground in advocacy for LGBTQI+ individuals in lactation. Dr. Rosen-Carole led a team of students, fellows and faculty to the 24th annual International Meeting of the Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine (ABM) in Manchester, UK, presenting on the needs and challenges faced by this community when making infant feeding decisions, along with best practices for supporting them.

Promoting learners is central to our philosophy, and Rita Ferri, MS4, will be lead author on the upcoming ABM protocol on care of LGBTQI patients in lactation.

Our Breastfeeding Medicine Fellow, Michele Burtner, CNM, is in her second year of fellowship and is rolling out a community-wide quality improvement initiative, standardizing evidence-based care for people with lactational mastitis.

Our leaders, Dr. Casey Rosen-Carole and Dr. Ruth Lawrence, continue to lead the way locally and internationally. Dr. Rosen-Carole continues in her role as Medical Director, and this year was appointed to a 3-year term on the ABM Board of Directors. Dr. Lawrence is working on the 9th Edition of her well-loved textbook “Breastfeeding: A Guide for the Medical Profession.”

Our Breastfeeding Medicine Clinic continues to serve over 2000 patients yearly, has launched a weekly meeting group under the guidance of Beverly Brewer, the lead outpatient Lactation Consultant. The site regularly trains learners, and is relocating to its new site in time for the winter holidays – stay tuned for our open house announcement! This space will be the first of its kind in Western NY, exclusively serving lactating persons with a community and teaching focus.
Caring for Patients in Prison

Care of the incarcerated patient is a passion of several of our faculty, and in keeping with this, several of our providers, including Natalie Whaley, MD, Kristen Burhans, MD, and Sheila Geen, CNM, travel several times each week to Albion State Prison to provide gynecologic care for the women housed there. These providers have been instrumental in petitioning the State to update clinical protocols to reflect the current standards of care. The members of the generalist division also perform the gynecologic surgeries that these women require.

Advocating for Reproductive Justice

Several of the members of the generalist division are active in political outreach to promote women’s reproductive rights, participating in ACOG lobby days.

In addition, Dr. Natalie Whaley also serves on the Legislative Committee for ACOG District II.

Within our own institution, OBGYN faculty and residents are active in improving patients’ access to full-spectrum reproductive care.

Dr. Betstadt’s March of Dimes grant aims to increase the number of admitted, medically complicated women who have their reproductive needs assessed. During this annual report year, Dr. Betstadt has been working across the institution to increase awareness about this important need. She has given six interdepartmental talks regarding contraception for medically complex women.

In addition, one of our outstanding residents, Dr. Katrina Heyrana, spearheaded a new Reproductive Justice Study Group, under the guidance of Dr. Emily Carrillo.

"I greatly appreciated your insights into the challenges of providing care, what advocacy can look like as a physician, and your enthusiasm for abortion care and fighting for access."

A note of gratitude from a fourth year medical student after our family planning faculty shared their expertise on a Medical Students for Choice abortion provider panel.
Highland Hospital
Community Engagement Programs

Free breast cancer screening program with Cancer Services Program of Monroe County, Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester and Susan G. Komen of Upstate NY

The University of Rochester Midwifery Group facilitated 6 Centering Pregnancy groups in the 2018 – 2019 academic year

The University of Rochester Midwifery Group participated in Babies & Bumps, including developing and delivering a presentation called “Birth Support Boot Camp”

The University of Rochester Midwifery Group participated in parenting village
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Resident Research Reach '18 – '19
Resident Research Awards

2019 Dr. Curtis J. Lund Award Winners

1. Dr. Rachel O’Connell: "Near-histologic resolution images of cervical dysplasia obtained with Gabor domain optical coherence microscopy."

2. Dr. Arti Taggar: "Virtual Reality and Gaming in Non-Surgical Medical Education: A Pilot Trial of The Steroid Pathway Game."

3. Dr. Matthew Gevelinger: "Evaluation of Sacral Nerve Stimulator Revision and Explantation in a Single Center, Multidisciplinary Study."
2018 – 2019 Year in Review

In new grant funding awarded to OBGYN Research Division this year, including funding from the NIH and New York State Department of Health

$4.4 Million

Research component aims to understand multilevel household and community factors affecting maternal health and how they could be impacted by community-oriented technology changes

Spotlight: MundoComm

- Developing a mentored training program for community-based public health applied research teams
- Focused on high-need areas of Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic and elsewhere in Latin America
- To date, the team has partnered with communities in Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Panama, Honduras, Mexico, and Nicaragua
- Goal is to improve the health of women and children in remote communities

Jose G. Perez Ramos, MPH, PhD Conducts MundoComm Research in Costa Rica

Diverse Research Interests; Global Reach

Research Division Members Represent:
- Colombia
- Puerto Rico
- Dominican Republic
- Venezuela
- China
- Jamaica
- Haiti
- Romania
- Continental US
- Ukraine

Active Research Sites:
- United States
- Latin America
- Caribbean
- Pacific Islands
- Africa
- Europe

46 providers and professionals from across Latin America and the Caribbean on community-based maternal mortality reduction and technology

22,000 Clinical learners from around the world reached through work with the New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute

1600 women from Latin America included in NIH-funded epidemiological research on social determinants of maternal health
EDUCATION | THE PROGRAMS

OBGYN Educational Programs

Undergraduate Medical Education
- Colby Previte, MD
  - Director of Medical Student Education & Clerkship
  - 99 Clerkship Students
  - 17 3rd and 4th Year Elective Students
  - 9 Visiting Elective Students
  - 3 Class of 2019 Students Matched into OBGYN

Residency Program
- Amy Harrington, MD
  - Residency Program Director
  - 8 2019 Graduates
  - 2019 Graduates Applied for & Matched into Fellowship

MFM Fellowship
- Loralei L. Thornburg, MD
  - Fellowship Program Director
  - 31 Residents
  - 6 Total Fellows

Scibetta MIGS Fellowship
- Bala Bhagavath, MD
  - Fellowship Program Director
  - 1 Fellow

Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery Fellowship
- Erin Ducey, MD
  - Fellowship Program Director
  - 1 Fellow

Academic Breastfeeding Medicine Fellowship
- Casey Rosen-Carole, MD, MPH, MSEd
  - Fellowship Program Director
  - 1 - 2 Fellows in a 3 Year Period
  - 1 Graduating Fellow Every Other Year

Courtney Olson–Chen, MD
- Associate Residency Program Director

Kathryn Drennan, MD
- Fellowship Assistant Program Director

Amy Benjamin, MD
- Fellowship Co-Director

Erin Duecy, MD
- Fellowship Program Director

Casey Rosen-Carole, MD, MPH, MSEd
- Fellowship Program Director

1 Fellow

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Award-Winning Educators

2019 APGO Excellence in Teaching Award
Dr. Deborah Rib

2019 Arnold P Gold Foundation Humanism Resident Teaching Award
Dr. Miriam McQuade

University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry Award for Third Year Teaching
Dr. Colby Previte

Introduction to Clinical Medicine: Principles of Examining the Female Patient

Integration Conference: Male/Female Genitourinary Anatomy and Examination

Integration Conference: Introduction to Cervical Cancer Screening

**Course Directors:**
Colby Previte, MD
Sharlin Varghese, MBBS

Integration Conference: Contraception

Primary Care Clerkship: Female Breast/Pelvic Exams of Standardized Patients

Integrated Systems: Core Principles of Obstetrics and Gynecology

**Course Directors:**
Sarah Betstadt, MD
Wendy Vitek, MD

Obstetrics and Gynecology Clerkship: Five Week Clinical Clerkship

**OBGYN Basic Sciences:**
Two Week Block, Pairing Basic Science Concepts in OBGYN and Pediatrics

**Clerkship Director:**
Colby Previte, MD

**Clerkship Site Directors:**
Colby Previte, MD
Kristen Burhans, MD
Rehan Asif, MD

Sub-Internships: Ob/Gyn & Maternal Fetal Medicine

Post-Clerkship Electives: Ambulatory, Family Planning, Gynecologic Oncology, Maternal Fetal Medicine, & Reproductive Endocrinology

**Course Directors:**
Katrina Nicandri, MD
Sarah Betstadt, MD
Amy Harrington, MD
Natalie Whaley, MD
Erin Duecy, MD
Sajeena Geervarghese, MD
Lisa Gray, MD
John Queenan, MD
Kristen Burhans, MD

4 Years of Obstetrics & Gynecology Education
EDUCATION | RESIDENCY PROGRAM

First Year Class
Alexandra Morell, MD
Lauren Paraison, MD
Margaret Schoeniger, MD
Kaylee Underkofler, MD, MPH, MS

Second Year Class
Elizabeth Porcellio, MD
Victoria Quimpo Moretti, MD
Katherine Rogg, MD
Alexandra Samborski, MD

Third Year Class
Rachel O’Connell, MD
Arti Taggar, MD, MPH
Elizabeth Whinston, MD

Chief Class
Alexis Pilato, MD
Rachelle St. Onge, MD
Marika Toscano, MD
Phoebe Whalen, MD
Fellowship: MFM
Dr. Keisha Bell
OBGYN Department
Communication Coach
Pictured in Edward G. Miner Library
Photo Credit: Kyan Lynch, MD
Dr. Keisha Bell is a licensed clinical psychologist with a dual appointment in the departments of psychiatry and obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Rochester Medical Center.

In addition to her clinical work, Dr. Bell serves as the communication coach for the department of obstetrics and gynecology. To provide more information about this innovative role, she sat down with the OBGYN Department Education Specialist, Dr. Kyan Lynch, for an interview.

Ky: Thank you for agreeing to sit down with me to share your exciting work. Can you start by providing some background on your career trajectory and how you ended up working in the OBGYN Department at the University of Rochester?

Dr. Bell: I attended a clinical psychology graduate program with an emphasis in health psychology and the biopsychosocial model. During training, I worked with a variety of patients and found myself most interested in women’s health and integrated care. I applied for internship at the Cleveland VA where I got to work with women who had a trauma history and that was exhilarating. However, that was a small portion of my internship and so I really wanted to get more training with issues specific to women’s health, and so I applied to a two-year Family Psychology fellowship here at the University of Rochester in women’s health. In the second year of my fellowship, an opportunity came about to be involved in communication coaching in OBGYN. The program had already been established at URMU by Dr. Susan McDaniel at the request of Dean Taubman. There was interest in the OBGYN department to provide communication coaching to the residents, and so I began working specifically with residents in their specialty care clinic while doing coaching training as part of my fellowship. That was a successful pilot that turned into an incredible job opportunity.

Ky: It sounds like you have had a long-standing interest in women’s health. What about women’s health draws you to the field?

Dr. Bell: There are unique issues that women face and not all psychologists are trained to effectively treat those issues – chronic pelvic pain, pregnancy loss, trying to get pregnant through assisted reproductive technologies, to give a few examples. Clinical psychologists are trained globally with anxiety, depression, other mood disorders. Clinical health psychologists focus more broadly on health, but specific women’s health issues are not always the focus. I wanted to work specially with women with these kinds of health concerns, and that’s what drew me in.

Ky: And so it was sort of by happenstance that you got into communication coaching?

Dr. Bell: Right, but due to the great interest in providing this type of learning to OB/GYN residents, it became an additional training opportunity for me. I’m always thinking about patient care, so this was another avenue for me to become involved in improving patient care, helping to set the tone of the visit, helping to educate residents about communicating with patients, especially around some of these sensitive trauma issues where, for example, patients may be reacting to a resident in a way that seems disproportionate or is otherwise unexpected.

Ky: For people who may not be familiar, can you give me your synopsis of what communication coaching is?

Dr. Bell: Yes. Communication coaching is really an opportunity to observe residents and other physicians in vivo using the skills that they have learned during simulation and their training, to see how those skills are being applied, to help them strengthen areas of growth, and to highlight strengths so that they can form positive communication behaviors and habits with their patients. It can sound scary or intimidating to have someone observe your interactions with patients, but the goal is not to catch someone doing something wrong. It is to give them a reflection of how they are with patients, emphasizing strengths. Almost always they are doing a lot of things well, and that goes unnoticed. So, in a nutshell, communication coaching is really affecting or impacting physician–patient communication in a way that is aligned with patient-centered care.
Ky: You mention doing observations of residents. Are you also working with other department members, or specifically with residents?

Dr. Bell: Initially, the goal was to work with residents exclusively, but I've had the opportunity to work with faculty. Overall, I think it has been a positive learning experience for everyone who has had coaching, even if there was early reluctance.

Ky: Right – it’s hard to admit that there are areas in which you could grow, but I think communication being so important to everything we do, everyone could use some honest reflection. So, you are mostly starting in our department by working one-on-one with our residents, starting with an observation – what kind of settings are you in with our residents?

Dr. Bell: Typically, the initial observation is in the outpatient setting, especially when I am observing them for the first time. Depending on where they are and what their needs are, I might observe them in different settings. So, inpatient rounds is the second setting I’ve observed residents. I would like to expand that to other clinics, but for now, it is outpatient continuity clinics and inpatient.

What other clinics are you thinking about expanding into?

Dr. Bell: For example, if they are on rotation in gynecologic oncology, or pelvic pain clinic, I would be more than happy to offer some specific feedback about working with a different population of patients.

Ky: Okay, so you observe our residents in the inpatient or outpatient setting. What happens next?

Dr. Bell: The observation involves following the resident for at least a 4-hour block to try to get as much data as possible. Those data always include their patient interactions, and can sometimes also include their team communication, if there are opportunities for that type of observation. Then, I write a comprehensive report of the observations I made and send the report to the resident. Then we find a time to meet to debrief in person about the communication skills described in the report.

Ky: Can you provide an example of the type of strengths you might point out that would otherwise potentially go unnoticed? And maybe an example of something you might work on with a resident?

Dr. Bell: One thing I’ve definitely noticed, across the board in this department, is a strength of empathy. I think this may be related to who is drawn to OBGYN, and probably the excellent reputation and culture of our department. In any case, I try to highlight and emphasize how unique and important that skill is whenever I debrief and give feedback. An example of something I might work with someone on is agenda setting. When agenda setting is present, you and the patient know what to expect from the visit. It reduces the chance of having late-arising concerns. It helps you to focus on the concerns that can be accomplished in the visit and to make a plan with the patient for how those concerns will get addressed. When you have 15 minutes, trying to accomplish 15 things is not feasible.
Q11. Ky: Can you give an example of what agenda setting might look like, or what that means, a bit more specifically?

Dr. Bell: It’s basically asking patients about their concerns, and weaving those in with your concerns to state explicitly what will happen in terms of a plan for the visit. So, an example might be, “There are several things that I would like for us to talk about today, but first, let me hear the things that you’re interested in us talking about.” The patient may list 5 things, prompting you to say: “What are the top 2 things you would hope for us to get accomplished today?” … “Okay, that sounds great, and here are some of the things I would like to accomplish today.” So, it takes all of maybe 20–something seconds to set an agenda.

Q12. Ky: I can imagine how that would be a difficult skill for some to acquire, but it is a good example of what you were talking about earlier in our conversation, about communication coaching being an indirect way of you influencing patient-centered care by making sure the patient’s concerns are recognized, and also that the medical needs are front and center as well.

Dr. Bell: Yes, and it also helps you be able to describe or document the information for other clinicians who see the patient, being a good collaborator. For example, you might say: “These are the two things we accomplished today, these are the three things remaining that the patient may bring up next time, just a head’s up.” It helps for everyone to be on the same page.
Ky: You mention note writing, which is, of course, another form of communication. Does your communication coaching extend beyond verbal communication, such as coaching on body language as well?

Dr. Bell: Absolutely, yes. We process non-verbal behavior much quicker than we do verbal information. If you come in appearing rushed, not engaging, not making eye contact, your back is turned, you’re not nodding or showing active listening skills, the patient may interpret that to mean that you are uninterested, and they may be unwilling to share information that could really change your treatment plan. The more engaged you are with the patient, the more engaged and trusting they will be of you and the medical team. Especially for patients who may have mistrust for the health care system in general, you can really serve as a corrective experience just using non-verbal behavior.

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Dr. Bell: No, this very rare. There are a few coaching programs at other medical schools, but nothing as detailed as ours. The URMC Communication Coaching program for faculty across the Medical Center began in 2012, so it has been going for some time now. Communication coaching for residents is only in its 3rd year. There are maybe five departments now that have a coach for their residents, typically a psychologist on their faculty.

Ky: So, as someone who gets to observe the members of this department in action, how would you describe the way that we communicate? What stands out to you as being unique?

Dr. Bell: That’s a great question. Again, I have to go back to empathy with patients. Which sounds like a no-brainer, right? But if you think about the high rate of physician burn out, you can see, how, over time, empathy can deteriorate such that patients are viewed as just an MRN number, or a 15-minute visit. But I think that one thing that does stand out is that the physicians in this department treat patients as people with life stories. As people who are dynamic, and who deserve to be treated well, and deserve the best health care. And that comes across in their communication – through empathy and non-verbal behavior I’ve noticed.
**Ky:** If there was another department out there considering starting a communication coaching program, what would you say if they asked for your advice on whether to start one or not?

Dr. Bell: I think having an embedded communication coach is wonderful for any department. We can't work on things that we're not aware of. One of the major tenets of medicine is to do no harm. Being aware of your strengths, so that you can use them intentionally with patients, but also being aware of areas or habits that unintentionally aren't the greatest and that you can do something about. I think this awareness is one of the greatest benefits. Additionally, it will impact patient care and job satisfaction. Research shows that patient outcomes are better when patient-centered communication skills are in place. And having an awareness of how you are communicating allows you to have better visits which leads to greater patient and physician satisfaction. Also, because communication isn't just with patients but with colleagues as well, learning how to better communicate with colleagues can help foster a more trusting team. A team with members that trust each other can speak up if something is going wrong in the OR or the exam room. A team with members who trust each other will share information that they might withhold otherwise.

**Ky:** How have you found your way, coming from the world of psychology, meshing with OBGYN, a surgical specialty?

Dr. Bell: I think mentorship is key. Having someone who has walked the path before you to provide insight and consultation is essential. I also think that it helps to have had training primarily in health care settings, so there’s a familiarity with how things work in a medical setting. I think it’s wonderful when people from different disciplines can come together, because I learn a lot, and I think my colleagues learn a lot from what I can share. And so I look at it in that way.

**Ky:** You've been the OBGYN communication coach for one year, and it seems like you've accomplished a lot! What do have in mind for next year?

Dr. Bell: I think a natural progression over time is to work with fellows, to work with faculty, both junior and senior, and also to do more with team communication. Maybe not following just one individual, but giving feedback on how a team is communicating. It’s all so interesting!

Dr. Bell: This is tough. There are many things I enjoy about communication coaching, so it’s hard to name just one. Ultimately, what I enjoy most is helping residents identify their communication strengths and contributing to their growth as patient-and-family-centered communicators.

**Dr. Keisha Bell** (she/her/hers) is a clinical psychologist. She received her PhD in clinical psychology in 2015 from the University of North Texas with a focus in health psychology. She completed her internship at the Cleveland VA Medical Center and a two-year fellowship in Women’s Health at the University of Rochester Medical Center. Currently, Dr. Bell has dual appointments in the departments of OBGYN and Psychiatry. As a communication coach, her work focuses on teaching patient and family-centered communication skills. Her clinical practice is located at Highland Women's Health OBGYN where she provides consultation, education and brief therapeutic support to adult women in all stages of life.

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Led by Kristen Burhans MD, the department boasts a highly interactive simulation program which is involved in educating providers at each level of training including medical students, residents and attending physicians. Monthly simulation sessions for residents help to develop skills in a controlled, simulated environment. Residents, nurses and attending physicians also all participate in multidisciplinary simulation sessions throughout the year. The resident laparoscopic training program, which is run by Dr. Jil Johnson, provides training in fundamental laparoscopic skills.

Some of the topics covered through simulation in the 2018 - 2019 academic year include:

- Postpartum hemorrhage
- Placing cerclage
- Informing patient of a diagnosis with a poor prognosis for fetus
- Preparing equipment, patient, surgical field, and OR team for a laparoscopic case
- Navigating difficult conversations in emergency situations
- Measles outbreak
- Laparoscopic olympics

During the 2018 - 2019 academic year, an important partnership was forged between the OBGYN Department and the URMC Center for Experiential Learning. Thanks to this relationship, the OBGYN Simulation Program is able to develop simulation training events with greater frequency, quality, and dynamism. With this partnership ongoing, the future of the program looks bright. Plans are currently underway to continue to expand the program, including by increasing number of multidisciplinary simulation events, continuing to expand the use of high fidelity simulations to create realistic practice conditions, and to offer more opportunities for learners to become engaged in simulation planning process.
Simulation Teaching Modalities Used

- Standardized Patients
- Interdisciplinary Mock Codes
- Procedural Training
- Mock Oral Boards
- Teaching to Teach
- Practice Managing Emergency Situations

Learner Feedback:

- "Great to get so much hands-on practice!"
- "This was an excellent session that really took advantage of multiple learning modalities."
- "Surgical sim was a useful thought exercise"
- "Uterine manipulator training was incredibly helpful"
The Ryan Residency Training Program is a national initiative to integrate and enhance family planning training for obstetrics and gynecology residents.

**Planned Parenthood**
- Applied for 3rd Year of Ryan Support with a mutually beneficial relationship that provides an alternative model of abortion care.

**Complex Contraception Clinic**
- Referrals for women with complex medical problems which also provides a place for abortion care overflow.

**Inpatient Mifepristone**
- Starts with evidence based protocol and collaborates with MFM and L&D.

**Collaboration with MFM**
- A mutually beneficial relationship with Family Planning objectives included in the MFM milestones. Training of PUBS, CVS, and Amniocentesis provided to trainees.

**The Future of the Ryan Program at URMC...**
- Addition of Certified Nurse Midwife which will provide:
  1. Ability to expand 1st trimester availability & medication abortion
  2. Provide Family Planning services daily in the office
- Working with family medicine to offer medication abortion
- Expanding GA at Planned Parenthood

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**Timeline**
- **2010**: Planned Parenthood
- **2010**: Addition of NP
- **2011**: Addition of Dr. Amy Harrington
- **2012**: Complex Contraception Clinic
- **2015**: Mifepristone to inpatient formulary/MFM office
- **2015**: Miscarriage Management
- **2017**: Inpatient Contraception
- **2018**: Collaboration with MFM Fellows

**URMC Family Planning Mission Statement:**
1. To provide full spectrum reproductive health care, including abortion care, to women in Western New York and beyond.
2. To provide evidence based family planning care that eliminates barriers to accessing that care.
3. To train a future generation of obstetricians and gynecologists who have the skills to be abortion providers.
4. To participate in high quality research that contributes to the scientific knowledge regarding contraception and abortion.
5. To educate health care providers in other specialties about the importance of reproductive life planning.
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**Addition of Dr. Amy Harrington**
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**Addition of Dr. Natalie Whaley**
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**Collaboration with MFM Fellows**
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**Miscarriage Management**
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- 2015

**Inpatient Contraception**
- Implemented in 2017 with MFM and Family Planning. The 2018 March of Dimes Grant has provided us with health educators for patients, non OB/GYN provider education and sustainability.

**The Future of the Ryan Program at URMC...**

- Addition of Certified Nurse Midwife which will provide:
  1. Ability to expand 1st trimester availability & medication abortion
  2. Provide Family Planning services daily in the office
  3. Working with family medicine to offer medication abortion
  4. Expanding GA at Planned Parenthood

### URMC Family Planning Mission Statement:

1. To provide full spectrum reproductive health care, including abortion care, to women in Western New York and beyond.
2. To provide evidence based family planning care that eliminates barriers to accessing that care.
3. To train a future generation of obstetricians and gynecologists who have the skills to be abortion providers.
4. To participate in high quality research that contributes to the scientific knowledge regarding contraception and abortion.
5. To educate health care providers in other specialties about the importance of reproductive life planning.
Pictured: Newly renovated 6-bed OBGYN triage unit at Highland Hospital
PROVIDING FULL-SPECTRUM HEALTH CARE

Breastfeeding and Lactation Medicine
Family Planning
Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery
Genetics
Gynecologic Oncology
Gynecology
Maternal Fetal Medicine
Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery
Midwifery
Obstetrical Care
Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Cesarean Deliveries: 1,083
Vaginal Deliveries: 1,690
Total Deliveries: 2,773
Cesarean Deliveries: 725
Vaginal Deliveries: 2,273
Total Deliveries: 2,998

University of Rochester Obstetrical Practice By the Numbers

Strong Memorial Hospital

Highland Hospital
Noyes Health

Cesarean Deliveries: 85
Total Deliveries: 319
Vaginal Deliveries: 234

Combined:
Total Deliveries: 6,797
Cesarean Deliveries: 2,077
Vaginal Deliveries: 4,720

F.F. Thompson Hospital

Cesarean Deliveries: 184
Total Deliveries: 707
Vaginal Deliveries: 523
2019: Multi-Year Clinical Site Renovation Project Completed
Featured renovations include:

- 6-bed triage unit
- Special Care Nursery
- Provider work space and nurses station
- Office space for nursing leadership

Midwifery Practice Continues to Deliver Exceptional Patient-Centered Care

89% of births delivered vaginally

14% of all vaginal deliveries were VBACs
Surgical Cases Performed at Highland Hospital
2018 – 2019

- Benign Gynecologic Cases: 1,381
- Gynecologic Oncology cases: 760
- Urogynecology: 56

Outpatient Office Visits at Highland Women's Health
2018 – 2019

- Community OBGYN: 7,696
- Highland Women's Health at the Professional Office Building: 8,129
- Highland Women's Health at Ayrault: 1,111

Total = 16,936 Office Visits
UR Medicine Obstetrics and Gynecology Practice:

Faculty based office which provides comprehensive obstetric and gynecologic care.

Center for Pelvic Pain and Vulvar Disorders:

This center provides consultative and ongoing management for patients with pelvic pain and lower genital tract pain using a comprehensive, multidisciplinary approach including physical therapy and behavior therapy as well as traditional medical/ surgical management. The clinic cares for patients who have been referred from a wide geographic catchment area including all of New York as well as Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and Vermont.

Ob/gyn providers within this group include Amy Benjamin MD and Ashley Gubbels MD, who specialize in the diagnosis and management of pelvic pain, and are both fellowship trained minimally invasive surgeons who have received specialized training in the management of pelvic pain disorders.

Adrienne Bonham MD, Jil Johnson DO and Mitchell Linder MD specialize in pain involving the lower genital tract including vaginal and vulvar pain as well as pain with intercourse. Donna Kreher PhD provides behavioral health assessment and management, specializing in the care of patients with chronic pain. Susan Parker PhD DPT provides physical therapy assessment and care of patients seen within the center. 182 new pain patients were seen in the center in 2019.

Lower genital tract disorders:

Adrienne Bonham MD, Mitchell Linder MD, and Jil Johnson DO provide consultative and medical/surgical management for patients with a wide range of vulvovaginal complaints, including dermatologic conditions, chronic infections and architectural concerns that are referred from both local providers and providers located throughout upstate New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.

Fiscal Year 2018–2019
Clinic Volume

University OB/GYN

22,642
Total Completed Clinic Visits

15,389
Unique patients (within the month)

182
NEW PATIENTS were seen in the center in 2019.
Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology

Katrina Nicandri MD and Jaclyn Morrison MD specialize in the gynecologic care of pediatric and adolescent patients. Patients seen in this clinic may have complaints ranging from dermatologic conditions, metabolic/developmental disorders, abnormal bleeding and congenital anomalies of the female genital tract. Adolescent Medicine residents and fellows also rotate through the office on a weekly basis to obtain training in this specialty.

Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery

The minimally invasive team includes Dr. Ashley Gubbels, Dr. Amy Benjamin, Dr. Jil Johnson, who have all completed fellowships in minimally invasive surgery, and Dr. Joe Scibetta who both specializes in minimally invasive surgery and runs a busy general obstetrics and gynecology practice. Specializing in both traditional and robotic surgery, the team provides surgical consultation and management for patients from a large catchment area which includes much of Upstate New York. Providers from the team also go to outside hospitals to help gyn teams set up minimally invasive surgical programs.

Fiscal Year 2018–2019 Clinic Volume
Women's Health Practice

"Our highly trained physicians offer comprehensive obstetrics and gynecology services from a patient’s initial exam, to childbirth and through menopause and beyond. We are dedicated to providing our patients with high quality, individualized care with compassion and respect."
QUALITY ASSURANCE AND PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT: 
A DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH TO EVER BETTER MEDICINE

Dr. Neil Seligman
This quote is attributed to Robert Noyce, co-inventor of the integrated circuit, a keystone achievement in the development of the modern electronics we all use and depend on. These words define one of the topmost transformations in our department’s quality assurance and performance improvement (QAPI) program. Continual quality improvement has long been a part of medical practice, our department, and is a defining value of the medical center. Our motto Meliora, which means “ever better,” symbolizes continuous change and improvement.

In that spirit, over the last year we have taken a serious look at the QA processes in place, which led to the realization that very little of what we do in QAPI reaches our constituents – the residents, attendings, and nurses on the front line taking care of patients. Yet, we know that achieving the best outcomes while providing safe patient care is hindered without dissemination of this information. In other words, having a patient care guideline (as an example) on PolicySTAT, the university’s online policy management software, without our front line team members being aware of it is no better than having no guideline at all. This realization started a major overhaul of how we monitor quality and how we communicate policy changes to improve outcomes throughout the department.

There’s an astonishing amount of work being done behind the scenes on a daily basis by an army of individuals dedicated to women’s health. An assessment of all of the standing committees related to QAPI revealed that there were more than 20 meetings not to mention short-term, ad hoc committees and one-off projects related to quality improvement. All of that work generates a massive amount of information that needs to be effectually disseminated to the department. To that end, it was necessary to rethink the how information flows from these small meetings to rest of the department. After much consideration, the solution that was implemented involved reorganization using “hub and spoke” model.

The “hub” meetings are the two main, monthly, multidisciplinary departmental meetings:

1) Quality Assurance Committee led by the OB/Gyn Quality Assurance Coordinator, Nicole C. Bourg, MS, RNC-OB

2) Ob/Gyn Clinical Operations led by the Perinatal Patient Safety Nurse, Stephanie Havens, MSN, RN, C-EFM, CNL Perinatal Safety Nurse.

The meeting agendas and invitees were updated to ensure that all of the other committee meetings, the “spokes”, report out at either the quality or operations meeting.

With the “information in” problem addressed, we needed to tackle the “information out” problem. Most, if not all, of the individuals who contribute to QAPI in our department are simultaneously trying to balance the administrative workload against clinical demands and sometimes research interests with limited capacity to regularly organize and communicate all of the QAPI work being done. In 2016, Strong Memorial Hospital was selected as one of Pathway Innovators in the ACGME Pursuing Excellence in Clinical Learning Environments Initiative. As a result, meaningful participation by the residents in departmental quality and safety activities has greatly improved. Consequently, awareness of policy changes and other safety initiatives by the residents improved but still without knowledge of the whole picture and not addressing the needs of nurses and attending physicians.

Educators are not new to nursing. Both Jennifer Truax, MS, RNC-OB, C-EFM, and Jillian Price, BS, RN, our current nurse educators, do an outstanding job ensuring that the nursing staff is updated on all of the latest policies and procedures. However, only recently were we able to hire a faculty and resident educator. Leveraging the addition of an Ob/Gyn Department Education Specialist, the solution was to have Kyan Lynch, MD, MA, join Jennifer and Jillian in attending both of the “hub” meetings. Together, they identify the information that needs to be shared and determine the best way to do so– much of it becoming topics for “Ky’s Corner”, an education newsletter now distributed at monthly faculty meetings and resident assemblies.

This is a significant step toward our departmental vision of QAPI which better serves our providers and patients.

“To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.”

Winston Churchill
Maternal Fetal Medicine

Expanding Our Reach to Offer Ever Better Care

Four Years of Dynamic Growth

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By the Numbers

New Patients Seen
- 951

Follow-Up Visits
- 1749

Ultrasound Visits
- 7494

HSGs Performed
- 461

Oocyte Retrievals
- 252

Embryo Transfers
- 286

Mean number of procedures required to achieve a Live Birth per age group

Preliminary Live birth results (first transfer only)
New patient visits between July 2018 and June 2019.

1033

Established patient visits between July 2018 and June 2019.

3859

Total patient visits conducted by Gynecologic Oncology Nurse Practitioners between July 2018 and June 2019.

1946

Total patient visits conducted by Gynecologic Oncology providers between July 2018 and June 2019.

6838

Surgeries performed between July 2018 and June 2019.

867
OBGYN Residency Graduation
June 21st, 2019
Casa Larga Vineyards and Winery
Fairport, NY
URMC OBGYN

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Erin E. Ducey, MD


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Ahmed I Ahmed, MBBCh,


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Faculty Presentations

2018–2019

NATIONAL & REGIONAL MEETINGS

Obstetrics & Gynecology

Amy Benjamin, MD


Benjamin A. Interactive Case Presentations. Foundations Course, Table Moderator International Pelvic Pain Society (IPPS) Annual Meeting, Toronto, Ontario, CA | October 2019

Sarah Betstadt, MD, MPH

Guest Lecturer, Rochester Institute of Technology, Family Planning curriculum for third year physician assistant students - 3/2012–Present

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Junior Fellow-Submitted case report for "Stump the Professor" presentation at District I Meeting, September 2005 – 7/2002–Present

Bala Bhagavath, MD

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Grand Rounds presentation: “Effective Presentation Skills”, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences, New Haven, CT, October 25, 2018

Kristen Burhans, MD

Seligman NS, Walden B, Arnold A, Burhans K, Thornburg LL, Pressman EK. Safety in should dystocia: implementation of an injury prevention program improves completeness of documentation. SMFM Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV | 02/14/2019

Michele L. Burtner, CNM

"Early Postpartum Initiation of Progesterone Contraception: Breastfeeding through the Lens of Maternal and Infant Outcomes" Co-presented with Stefanie Hollenbach, MD – 2/28/2019

Nancy Cardona, DrPH, MS


Faculty Presentations

2018–2019

Obstetrics & Gynecology

Paula J. Doyle, MD

Gevelinger M, Sanderson DJ, Jaworski E, Doyle PJ. Round Table Presentation. Evaluation of Sacral Nerve Stimulator Revision and Explantation in a Single Center, Multidisciplinary Study. AUGS Pelvic Floor Disorders Week; Chicago, IL, USA. | October 2018

Jaworski E, Sanderson DJ, Gevelinger M, Doyle PJ. Changes in the Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System (PROMIS) Scores Following Sacral Neuromodulation for Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms. Poster Presentation. AUGS Pelvic Floor Disorders Week; Chicago, IL, USA. | October 2018

Sanderson DJ, Gevelinger M, Jaworski E, Doyle PJ. Associated Changes in the Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System (PROMIS) Scores Following Sacral Neuromodulation for Fecal Incontinence. Poster Presentation. AUGS Pelvic Floor Disorders Week 2018; Chicago, IL, USA | October 2018

Sanderson DJ, Gevelinger M, Jaworski E, Doyle PJ. Round Table Presentation. Changes in Sleep Disturbance after Treatment of Refractory Urinary Symptoms with Sacral Neuromodulation. AUGS Pelvic Floor Disorders Week; Chicago, IL, USA. | October 2018

Kathryn Drennan, MD


Brent Dubeshter, MD


Timothy De Ver Dye, Ph.D


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Faculty Presentations

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NATIONAL & REGIONAL MEETINGS

Obstetrics & Gynecology

Lorne Farovitch

Sajeena M. Geevarghese, MD

J. Christopher Glantz, MD


Ashley L. Gubbels, MD
Gubbels, AL Zook N, Dangeti M, Simhachalam M, Chapple K, Castellanos M, Hibner M. Patient continuation rates of vaginal diazepam/baclofen suppository muscle relaxants for spastic pelvic floor syndrome. Annual Scientific Meeting on Pelvic Pain Poster presentation | October 2018

Wyatte C. Hall


Hall, W.C. (2018, October). What is language deprivation? Invited talk given at the Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness Conference, Louisville, KY.


Wyatte C. Hall


Hall W, Mora J, Dye TD. Lived Experiences of Language Deprivation in the Deaf Community. Early Hearing Detection and Intervention 2018 Annual Meeting, Denver, Colorado

Amy R. Harrington, M.D.


Poster Presentation. Implementing a longitudinal social determinants of health curriculum in an academic residency program. Katrina Heyrana, MD, PhD, Alecia Fields, MD and Amy Harrington, MD. 2019 CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting, New Orleans LA, February 27–March 2, 2019. - 2019


HSV Infections & Pregnancy, NY State Clinical Education Initiative, ECHO, Rochester, NY - 2018

ECHO Lunch & Learn, STI's in Pregnancy, Rochester, NY - 2018
Amy R. Harrington, M.D.  
Poster Presentation. Prevalible "provoked" fetomaternal hemorrhage may represent insensible cell exchange. Results of the EQUATE Study: Evaluating Quantities of Antenatal Transplacental Cell Exchange, Stefanie Hollenbach, MD, MS, Matthew Cochran, MS, Amy Harrington, MD. 2018 Society of Maternal Fetal Medicine, Dallas, Texas. - 2018


Monique Ho, MD

Kathleen M. Hoeger, MD, MPH


Kazemi M, Vanden Brink H, Lin A, Jarrett BY, Spandorfer SD, Hoeger KM, Lujan ME. Associations between Diet Quality and Ovarian Dismorphism in Premenopausal Women are Mediated by Obesity and Metabolic Aberrations. American Society for Nutrition Annual meeting, Baltimore, MD June 2019 (oral)


ASRM Invited Seminar “PCOS International Guidelines” 2018 ASRM Annual Meeting San Antonio October 2018

AEPCOS Update Meeting Organizer “Development of PCOS related health concerns in offspring and their potential transfer across generations”. ENDO 2019 New Orleans March 2019

Kyu Kwang Kim, PhD
Kim K, Yano N, James NE, Ribeiro JR, Turner R, Singh RK, Moore RG. Septin–2 as the binding partner of HE4 with a biological role in HE4 secretion. Gynecologic Oncol. 149(S1) 2018 p75–76. | 2018


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Kyu Kwang Kim, Ph.D
Singh RK, Turner R, Kim K, Sivaganalingam U, Moore RG. Targeting vitamin D receptor (VDR)/immune checkpoint inhibitor receptor ligand PD-L1 axis for immunotherapy of ovarian cancer. Gynecologic Oncol. 149(S1) 2018, p48. | 2018


Brooke Levandowski, Ph.D
Singh RK, Turner R, Kim K, Sivaganalingam U, Moore RG. Targeting vitamin D receptor (VDR)/immune checkpoint inhibitor receptor ligand PD-L1 axis for immunotherapy of ovarian cancer. Gynecologic Oncol. 149(S1) 2018, p48. | 2018


“A Asking the community about improving contraceptive conversations between young women and their providers”. Poster presentation. Latino Medical Student Regional Conference. Syracuse, NY. February 16, 2019. Co-author, Presenter: Desiree Pizarro*


Kyan Lynch, MD, MA


Tara Lynch, MD


Faculty Presentations

2018–2019

Amol Malshe, MD


Ponnila Marinescu, MD


Jahron Marriott


Jahron Marriott, MS, José G Pérez–Ramos, PhD, Gersandre Gonsalves–Domon, Beatrice Aladin, MPA, Monica Barbosu, MD, PhD, Cheryl Smith, MD and Timothy Dye, PhD. Assessing Training Needs of Latin American and Caribbean Refugee/Immigrant–serving HIV/AIDS, STD, and Hepatitis C Providers in New York State

Jahron Marriott, MS, José G Pérez–Ramos, PhD, Gersandre Gonsalves–Domon, Beatrice Aladin, MPA, Monica Barbosu, MD, PhD, Cheryl Smith, MD and Timothy Dye, PhD. APHA’s 2019 Annual Meeting and Expo (Nov. 2 – Nov. 6)

Richard Miller, Ph.D
Title: A Multi–Center National Approach to Studying the Importance of the Placenta to Maternal–Child Health and Environmental Exposures: The NIH Environmental Influences on Child Health Outcomes (ECHO) Study (given by J Brunner)

Invited Workshop Leader – Teratology Society – San Diego, California June 25, 2019
Title: Multidisciplinary Research Needs

Invited Speaker – Society for Research in Child Development – March 22, 2019
Symposium on The Placenta and Child Development
Title: Implications for the Placenta in Neurobehavioral Development.

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Richard Miller, Ph.D
Invited Symposium Speaker - Symposium at the Center for Environment and Health, Peking University, China
Title: Health Effects of Air Pollution, Peking University, Beijing, China January 12, 2019
Title: Effects on Placental Function and Fetal Growth & Outcomes
Radio Interview: Ibero 97.1FM, Rochester, New York, July 2018
1 hour interview - Lead exposures in Children and Pregnant and Breastfeeding Women


Denisse Vega Ocasio

Courtney Olson-Chen, MD

Eva K. Pressman, MD
Marinescu PS, Miller LA, Young RC, Hern B, Pressman EK, Seligman NS. Uterine Bioelectrical Activity in Pregnant Women With a Short Cervix in the Mid-Triimester. ACOG Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN. | 05/05/2019
Marinescu P, Miller L, Young RC, Hern B, Pressman E, Seligman S. Global Contractions as a Composite of Regional Contractions in Term Labor. SRI Annual Meeting, Paris, France | 03/14/2019
Seligman NS, Walden B, Arnold A, Burhans K, Thornburg LL, Pressman EK. Safety in should dystocia: implementation of an injury prevention program improves completeness of documentation. SMFM Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV | 02/14/2019

John T. Queenan, Jr., MD

José Pérez Ramos, Ph.D
Integrated Diversity is Achievable: Applying Critical Education Principles in Research, the Workplace, and Society–Presented at the University of Rochester Annual Diversity Conference– April 8th 2019, Rochester, NY, USA
Maternal Health: MundoComm–Presented at the Strengthening Latino Health Conference– University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry– April 1st 2019, Rochester, NY, USA

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José Pérez Ramos, Ph.D
p2p4pur – Mobile Health Clinics in Puerto Rico–Presented at the Strengthening Latino Health Conference- University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry- April 1st 2019, Rochester, NY, USA


Casey Rosen-Carole, MD, MPH, M.Ed
Keynote speaker. New York City Lactation Leadership Conference. “Appropriate supplementation of the exclusively breastfed infant.” And “Risk mitigation in exclusive breastfeeding: avoiding the train wreck” Bronx, NY


Townsend Lecturer “Gazing at the mother: nutrition, treatment, home.” Rochester Regional Health Center, NY

Community Lecture “Tongue tie and the Breastfeeding Medicine Clinic,” 1.5h interactive session for the Rochester Doula Cooperative, Rochester, NY.


Community Lecture “Breastmilk: What is it, what is in it, and how does it get there?” La Leche League Regional Meeting, Syracuse, NY.

Harriet Davis Nursing Teaching Day Community Lecture “Express Yourself: breastmilk when baby's ready or not” Rochester, NY.

Shazia Saddiqi, MD, MPH


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Neil S. Seligman, MD


Loralei L. Thornburg, MD
Loralei Thornburg. Stroke care in pregnancy. SMFM Annual clinical meeting, Las Vegas | February 2019
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Ronald Wood, Ph.D
Christine E. Arnold – PI
Christine Arnold $30,000 from MCIC Vermont, Inc. Enhancing Shoulder Dystocia Management Skills and Team Training via Updated Simulation Equipment

Emily S. Barrett – PI
Emily Barrett $498,594.00 from Mt. Sinai School of Medicine (Icahn SOM). Phthalate Exposure and Gender-related development

Sarah J. Betstadt – PI
Sarah Betstadt $26,550.00 from Mae Stone Goode. SPARED: Scheduled Prophylactic Anti-Emetics for Reduction of Emesis with Doxycycline
Sarah Betstadt $50,000.00 from March of Dimes. Preventing Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes: Inpatient Contraception for Medically Complex Women

Bala Bhagavath – PI
Bala Bhagavath $769,283.50 from Hologic, Inc. Global Endometrial Ablation Database
Bala Bhagavath $1,381,755.00 from Halt Medical Inc. Treatment Results of Uterine Sparing Technologies (TRUST)
Bala Bhagavath $404,427.00 from Myovant Sciences, Inc. An International Phase 3 Randomized, DB, PC Efficacy & Safety Study to Evaluate Relugolix Co-Administered w/ & w/o Low-Dose Estradiol & Norethindrone
Bala Bhagavath $15,000.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Repository of Uterine Fibroid Tissue and Blood from Patients with Uterine Fibroids

Adrienne D. Bonham – PI
Adrienne Bonham $19,200.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Novel Therapies for the Treatment of Genital Pain

Kristen E. Burhans – PI
Kristen Burhans $30,000.00 from MCIC Vermont, Inc. URMC Affiliate Outreach to Optimize Development of Interprofessional Shoulder Dystocia Simulation-Based Training for Neonatal Injury Prevention

Paula J. Doyle – PI
Paula Doyle $50,000.00 from FuzeHub. Manufacturing, Compliance, and Market Validation of the GreenEgg Fluorescent Medical Device

Timothy D. Dye – PI
Tim Dye $3,189,549.00 from NYS/AIDS Institute. Component C: Resource Center for Excellence
Tim Dye $500,000.00 from Pfizer Inc. Electronic Health Record (EHR) - Enhanced Clinical Communication and Quality-of-Life Improvement in Managing Menopausal Vasomotor Symptoms (MVS)
Tim Dye $76,658.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Enhancing Clinical and Translational Research in Maternal Fetal Health Through Development of a Birth-Related Tissue Repository
Tim Dye $328,351.00 from Health Research Inc. Linkage, Retention and Treatment Adherence
Time Dye $318,851.00 from Health Research Inc. Linkage, Retention and Treatment Adherence

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Tim Dye $385,839.00 from DHHS/PHS/NIH. MundoComm: ICT for Maternal Health in Costa Rica and Latin America

Tim Dye $380,808.00 from DHHS/PHS/NIH. mZap! A mobile, community-based GPS mapping surveillance tool empowering communities to alleviate insect-borne disease and ecological risk in Costa Rica

David C. Foster – PI
David Foster $1,547,090.00 from DHHS/PHS/NIH. Localized Vulvodynia Pathogenesis: Fibroblast, Yeast & Melanocortin

David Foster $30,972.00 from DHHS/PHS/NIH. Testing of Topical Lipinova Therapies for Vulvodynia using a Mouse Model

David Foster $2,427,193.00 from DHHS/PHS/NIH. Mechanisms of Vulvodynia Involving Dysregulation of Pro–resolving Lipids

J. Christopher Glantz – PI
Chris Glantz $1,790,498.00 from NYS/Health. Regional Perinatal Center

Wyatte C. Hall – PI
Wyatte Hall $178,249.00 from Univ/Rochester Inst of Technology. Investigating Key Biopsychosocial Factors that Mediate Lifespan Management of Prelingual Deafness

Amy R. Harrington – PI
Amy Harrington $14,936.00 from Mae Stone Goode. EQUATE-RHEDD: Evaluating Quantity of Antenatal Transplacental Cell Exchange– Rh Expression During Development

Kathleen M. Hoeger – PI
Kathleen Hoeger $15,000.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Defining the Impact of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome on Sleep Quality and Melatonin Levels

Kathleen Hoeger $264,472.00 from UNIV/Penn State. Ancillary Site for Reproductive Medicine Network

Kathleen Hoeger $240,472.00 from UNIV/Yale. RMN Studies: ACTorNOT; FITPlese, RMN Repository, MOXI

Kathleen Hoeger $24,859.00 from UNIV/Cornell. Ovarian Ultrasonography for the Clinical Evaluation of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome

Stefanie Hollenbach – PI
Stefanie Hollenbach $14,871.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Structural Properties of Placentas (SToPP): Ischemic Placental Disease

Brooke A. Levandowski – PI
Brooke Levandowski $1,000,000.00 from NYS/AIDS Institute. Component B Statewide Multicultural and Culturally Responsive Organizational Development – LGBT Health and Human Services Sexuality-Related Program

Tara A. Lynch – PI
Tara Lynch $13,800.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Correlating Placental Villitis and HPV Infection in Pregnancy with Risk for Spontaneous Preterm Delivery

Lauren A Miller – PI
Lauren Miller $14,940.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Analysis of Gadolinium in the Human Placenta in Women with Prior MRI with and without Gadolinium–based Contrast Prior to Conception

Richard K. Miller – PI
Richard Miller $307,625.00 from Org. of Teratology Information Specialist. The OTIS/Mother to Baby Reproductive and Environmental Health Network

Richard Miller $30,968.00 from Research Fnd for Mental Hygiene, Inc. Human Placental Morphology, Function, and Pathology: Relationship to Environmental Exposures and Newborn and Child Health

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Richard Miller $209,046.00 from UNIV/Pittsburgh. Placental Origins of Phthalate-induced Changes in Fetal Reproductive Development

Richard Miller $341,248.00 from the UNIV/Rutgers. Placental Responses to Environmental Chemicals

Richard G. Moore - PI

Richard Moore $14,985.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Determining the Role of HE4 in Immune Dysfunction in Epithelial Ovarian Cancer

Richard Moore $187,333.00 from Angle, Ltd. Evaluation of Multiple Protein Biomarkers to Estimate Risk of Cancer in Gynecology Patients Presenting with a Pelvic Mass

Richard Moore $82,889.00 from UNIV/Texas/Anderson Cancer Ctr. MD Anderson Cancer Center EDRN-CVC for Early Detection of Ovarian Cancer

Richard Moore $100,000.00 from Mary Kay Ash Fund. The role of HE4 in Immunity, Chemotaxis and Immune Dysfunction in Ovarian Cancer

Richard Moore $236,000.00 from AstraZeneca. IGYO1611 A single arm, open-label, Phase IIb study to assess the efficacy & safety of the combo of cediranib and olaparib tablets in women w/recurrent

Richard Moore $75,000.00 from The Marsha Rivkin Center for Ovarian Cancer Research. Targeting HE4 for checkpoint Immunotherapy of ovarian cancer

Richard Moore $851,420.00 from Tesaro, Inc. A Phase 3, Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled, MC Study of Niraparib Maintenance Treatment in Patients W/ Advanced Ovarian Cancer Following

Richard Moore $184,505.00 from Mitra Biotech. CANscript Clinical Outcomes in a Real World Setting (ANCERS−2): A Prospective, MC, Observational Study Examining the Clinical Utility of CANscript in

Richard Moore $181,612.00 from Angle, Ltd. Evaluation Of Multiple Protein and Molecular Biomarkers To Estimate Risk of Cancer In Gynecology Patients Presenting With A Pelvic Mass

Richard Moore $215,679.00 from Angle, Ltd. Harvest of Circulating Tumor Cells From Patients With Metastatic Breast Cancer Using the Parsortix PC1 System – Homing Study

Richard Moore $234,073.50 from Tesaro, Inc. TESARO A Phase 2 Single Arm OL Study to Evaluate The S & E of Niraparib Combined With Bevacluzumab as Maintenance Treatment in Patients w/ Advanced O

Richard Moore $2,820,831.00 from Merck Sharp & Dohme. A M-C, O-L, Randomized, Phase 3 Trial to Compare the Efficacy & Safety of Lenvatinib in Combination with Pembrolizumab vs Treatment of Physician's Choice

Richard Moore $438,260.00 from Tesaro, Inc. A R, DB, Phase 3 Comparison of Platinum-Based Therapy w/TSR-042 and Niraparib vs Standard of Care Platinum Based Therapy as First-Line Treatment of St

Richard Moore $117,970.00 from Angle, Ltd. Ang 8-Evaluation of Parsortix PC1 System Performance using Metastatic Breast Cancer Patient and Healthy Volunteer Blood Spiked with Fixed SKBR3 Cells

Richard Moore $281,884.00 from Angle, Ltd. ANG008 – Evaluation of Parsortix PC1 System Performance using Unspiked Blood Samples

Richard Moore $23,782.00 from Angle, Ltd. ANG–009 – Evaluation of Modified Parsortix System and HyCEAD Ziplex Assay Performance in Stage III-IV Ovarian Cancer Pts & Healthy Volunteers

Richard Moore $136,070.00 from Angle, Ltd. ANG–006 (EMBER 2 Study): Evaluation of Multiple Biomarkers to Estimate Risk of Cancer in Gynecology Patients Presenting with Pelvic Mass

Richard Moore $1,408,012.00 from Merck. A P3 Rand OL Study of Pembro+ Lenvatinib vs. Chemo for 1st line Tx of Advanced or Recurrent Endometrial Carcinoma (LEAP–001)

Richard Moore $75,000.00 from Amer. Assoc Obstetricians & Gynecologists. Development of Small Molecule Inhibitors of HE4 for Immunotherapy of epithelial ovarian cancer

Shawn P. Murphy - PI

Shawn Murphy $12,000.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Generation of recombinant Zika virus expressing green fluorescence protein for studies of infection in the human placenta
Courtney Olson-Chen - PI
Courtney Olson-Chen $14,950.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Lymphocytic Choriomeningitis Virus Infection of the Human Placenta across Gestation

Eva K. Pressman – PI
Eva Pressman $1,351,541.00 from UNIV/Rutgers. Prenatal anxiety, androgens and sex–dependent development

Eva Pressman $199,115.00 from UNIV/Washington. Prenatal and Early Childhood Pathways to Health: An Integrated Model of Chemical and Social Exposures, Biological Mechanisms, and Sex–Specific Effect

Eva Pressman $137,487.00 from UNIV/New York. NYU Pediatric Obesity, Metabolism and Kidney Cohort Center

Neil S. Seligman – PI
Neil Seligman $1,500.00 from PreTel, Inc. Electromyographic Evaluation of Myometrial Electrical Activity in Women with a Short Cervix: A Pilot Study

Neil Seligman $26,994.00 from PreTel, Inc. Optimizing and validating an EMG–based fetal monitor to identify true preterm labor: Novel sensors for external fetal monitoring; second generation bi

Rakesh K. Singh – PI
Rakesh Singh $15,000.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Identification of a novel septin–2 inhibitor for the treatment of epithelial ovarian cancer (EOC) via high throughput screening (HTS)

Shannon M. Smith – PI
Shannon Smith $14,982.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Understanding the relationships between dyadic coping and relationship satisfaction, stress, and pain in chronic pelvic and vulvar pain patients and t

Rajesh Srivastava – PI
Rajesh Srivastava $20,700.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Effects of Bisphenol A and Phthalates on Human Ovarian Granulosa Cell Steroidgenesis

Christopher J. Stodgell – PI
Chris Stodgell $28,208.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Gene–Environment Interactions in Teratogen–Induced Autism

Loralei L. Thornburg – PI
Loralei Thornburg $282,092.00 from UNIV/SUNY - Buffalo. Comparing gabapentin, ondansetron and placebo in treating hyperemesis gravidarum

Loralei Thornburg $14,391.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Brain Development in Infants of Diabetic Mothers as Measured by Neonatal EEG

Loralei Thornburg $30,000.00 from MCIC Vermont, Inc. Neonatal Neurological Injury Review

Loralei Thornburg $30,000.00 from MCIC Vermont, Inc. Improving Documentation for Critical Ob Events

Elizabeth A. Westen – PI
Elizabeth Westen $14,900.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Early Gestational Weight Gain, Weight Retention and Body Composition 6 Months Postpartum

Ronald W. Wood – PI
Ronald Wood $19,329.00 from Mae Stone Goode. Cannabinoid Agonist as a Treatment for Cyclophosphamide Induced Cystitis in Mouse Bladder