A Message from Candace Metcalf, D.O.,
Chief of Medical Staff:

Relationships

In this, my first chief of staff newsletter, I would like to take the opportunity to thank a few of the people who have helped me to acclimate to this new role. Doctors Kent-Vangorder, Kepros, and Olson have been excellent (and patient) teachers, and I look forward to continuing to learn from them while I serve. I would also like to thank Melinda Rapelje, who finally gave up on trying to teach me how to use my Outlook calendar and now just does it for me.

The best part of the two years I have spent as chief-elect has been getting to know the Physician staff at Sparrow Hospital. In my role as an obstetric anesthesiologist, I work with a relatively small, though much loved, number of Physician colleagues. I look forward to meeting many more of you in the upcoming years.

Physicians represent the group of Caregivers best equipped to move healthcare in a positive direction in this complicated environment. I know many of you have great ideas of how to improve your practice but are at a loss when it comes to who to talk to or how to proceed. I hope you will feel free to reach out to me or to one of the other Physician leaders at Sparrow with your ideas so that we can help you provide the best quality of care to all our Patients.

In the past, chiefs of staff have focused on topics or issues especially important to them. Dr. Kepros turned our focus to evidence based medicine and sepsis treatment. Before him, Dr. Olson championed a new set of updated bylaws and antibiotic stewardship. I hope to address Physician wellness, as Physician wellbeing is integral to our ability to provide quality care for our Patients. Please share with me your thoughts and ideas as we explore how best to maintain our energy and enthusiasm in this challenging environment. I look forward to sharing some ideas with you in upcoming newsletters.

Sparrow Physicians. Who are we?

This section features interesting facts about the Physicians who work at Sparrow, ranging from the basics, like you see in this issue, to more in-depth analysis about who we are, where we come from, what our interests are, and more. Our goal is to help provide a better, bigger, understanding of each other.

This word cloud represents where Sparrow Physicians live, weighted to the number of Physicians within each zip code.
Case 5: BRUE in an Infant Found to Have Feeding Difficulties.
Bommel N; Kannarkatt S.

Characteristics and Outcomes of Stroke Patients Transferred to Hospitals Participating in the Michigan Coverdell Acute Stroke Registry.
Nickles AV; Roberts S; Shell E; Mitchell M; Hussain S; Lyon-Callo S; Reeves MJ.

Large oesophageal haematoma as a result of transoesophageal echocardiogram (TEE).
Randhawa MS; Rai MP; Dhar G; Bandi A.
BMJ Case Reports. 2017, 2017 Nov 08.
Request from the Sparrow Health Sciences Library

Karapetyan L; Rai M; Dawani O; Laird-Fick HS.
Pleomorphic sarcoma of the breast.
Rai MP; Mannelli VK; Kandola S; Marinas EB.
Request from the Sparrow Health Sciences Library

Sudden Cardiac Death: Back to the Future. (Editorial)
Thakur RK; Natale A

Wondering why you see your colleagues’ citations, but not seeing your publications listed?
It may be that you are not including Sparrow Health System as an affiliated institution when you submit your manuscripts. Since 2014, the National Library of Medicine PubMed database allows for multiple institutional affiliations. The opportunity exists for you to include those multiple affiliations and provide recognition for the support that Sparrow Health System provides.

Include Sparrow Health System as an affiliated institution when Sparrow is your primary employment, your data is derived from EPIC, your case studies or research is derived from Sparrow Patient interactions, you have used Sparrow resources/services, or when funding originates from Sparrow. The literature indicates a “strong, positive causal effect of research funding on knowledge production.” * Your publications will inspire others!

Michael Simmons, Medical Librarian, Sparrow Health System

*(PloS One. 2015; 10(9)e0138176)

Full-text of the articles are available through title links above (please note: a connection to the Sparrow Network may be required to access the full-text), or by request from the Sparrow Medical Library. You may also reach them via medical.library@sparrow.org or 364.5660 (option 1). If you have been recently published and do not see your article listed, please contact Michael Simmons at michael.simmons@sparrow.org or 364.5656.

Physicians in the News

Physician in Focus
Going forward in the Medical Staff Newsletter, we would like to provide a forum for Physicians who you feel deserve to be highlighted. Maybe it is a colleague who has an interesting hobby, volunteers or helps our community in some way, or perhaps has initiated a new process or procedure here at Sparrow that has helped improve the Patient experience or Physician work-flow. Please send your submissions to sacha.crowley@sparrow.org with the subject line: Medical Staff Newsletter.

Physician Happenings
Dr. Nwelue welcomed a new baby boy!

Malcolm Akachi Weatherspoon
Jan. 3, 2018 | 9:28 a.m.
9 lbs. 15 oz.
22.5 inches long.
Did you get married? Have a baby? Plan to retire? Have we lost a current or former colleague? Please send your submissions to sacha.crowley@sparrow.org with the subject line: Medical Staff Newsletter.

Who do you spy?
As the Sparrow Heritage Committee looks to preserve, to protect, and to promote our legacy of compassionate care we may periodically reach out to the Sparrow community and the community at large for help in identifying or gathering information about particular items in our archives.

We’re looking for help in identifying the individuals in this photo! We know that it was taken before 1967, but after Carl Neumann started here at Sparrow. Please feel free to share with retired Sparrow Caregivers or other community members who may have information and let us know at heritageproject@sparrow.org. Every department has a treasure of information from its beginnings to the current day point of care. We are always looking for memorabilia, artifacts, photos, and stories to accomplish this ongoing task. If you have some information to share or items to donate, please contact us through heritageproject@sparrow.org.

Mayo Clinic Care Network

As a Sparrow Doctor, how can I access Mayo Clinic Network resources for my Patient’s care?

- **eConsults.** Doctors can connect electronically with Mayo Clinic specialists and subspecialists to ask questions about a Patient’s care. To begin an eConsult, go to the eConsult ambulatory order in EPIC or page the eConsult Coordinator at 517.360.8232.

- **Consults for Inpatients.** NEW! A Physician to Physician conversation regarding a Patient’s care and treatment recommendations is available to you. Page eConsult Coordinator at 517.360.8232. This consult service for inpatients is a pilot program, and is very unique to Sparrow, and we are very interested in feedback around its utility. Please discuss your satisfaction with the consult with the eConsult Coordinator at 517.360.8232.
AskMayoExpert. This point-of-care tool gives providers access to Mayo-vetted information, including disease management protocols, care guidelines, treatment recommendations and reference materials. The information is available on desktop computers or mobile devices 24/7 (askmayoexpert.mayoclinic.org). These materials are designed to show you and your Patient what care pathway the particular problem would receive at Mayo.

For any questions please page Sparrow eConsult Coordinator at 517.360.8232.

For the practicing Sparrow Physician, there are also a number of educational resources, as well as access to multidisciplinary consultations such as tumor boards for various conditions that you may be treating. For a complete review of these resources, please access the Mayo Clinic Network Link on Sparrow.org/MCCNTools.

**Dates to Know**

**Upcoming Quarterly Medical Staff Meetings**
5:30 p.m. hors d’oeuvres | 6:00 p.m. dinner | 6:30 p.m. meeting
University Club of MSU, Heritage Room

Tuesday, March 6, 2018
Tuesday, June 5, 2018
Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2018
Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018

**Welcome New Physicians**

**New Medical Staff**
Jacob Bilhartz, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Christopher Dickinson, Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Frank DiPaolo, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Ahmad Hammoud, M.D., Obstetrics & Gynecology, Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility
Grace Lee, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Brooke Lemmen, D.O., Family Medicine
Maclovio Lopez, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Shuemien Mar, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Hayley Neef, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Hasan Shanawani, M.D., Internal Medicine/Critical Care
Emily Schnurr, D.O., Psychiatry
Christopher Shier, M.D., Radiology
Andrew Singer, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
Dana Steien, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI
George Zacur, M.D., Pediatrics, Pediatric GI

**Sparrow New Physicians Network on Facebook**
The Sparrow New Physicians Network (SNPN), a group for new Physicians (and their spouses) at Sparrow Health System to facilitate communication, professional networking, share experiences, and coordinate fun events, has a group page on Facebook. This group is intended for Physicians who have been on the Sparrow Medical staff for less than five years.
or who have completed training within the past 10 years. Founded in 2016, SNPN is organized by the Sparrow Guiding Coalition of Physicians and is generously supported by the Sparrow Foundation.

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