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# PHYSICIAN

## NEWS BRIEF

### PROGRAMS & SERVICES

#### New Program to Standardize Purchasing at Covenant HealthCare

Covenant HealthCare would like to inform you of a new initiative to reorganize the product acquisition and evaluation process. In order to do so, we have established the Clinical Quality Product Value Analysis (CQPVA) Program. This program has been developed with physician participation to create a standardized process that will ensure each product brings value to our patients and the organization. Each product will be evaluated based on clinical efficiency, effect on quality outcomes, and appropriate economic control. This new policy has been communicated to our vendor partners as well. If you have any questions about this process, please call the CQPVA Administrator, Toni Young RN, MSN at 989.583.4277 or AYoung@chs-mi.com.

### BUSINESS UPDATES

#### Influenza Vaccination Locations

By October 31, everyone must either obtain the flu vaccine or decline. Whoever declines will be required to wear a mask at all times while in Covenant HealthCare, except for designated areas. You are welcome to bring in documentation of having the vaccination elsewhere to Medical Staff Services or Office of Physician Relations. We want to help you comply by offering 5 more clinics:

- 10/20/15 (Tuesday) 6:30-8:30 am Harrison Side Room A  
1:00-3:30 pm Cooper Doud/Executive Conf Rm
- 10/22/15 (Thursday) 6:00-8:45 am Cooper Doud/Executive Conf Rm  
1:00-3:30 pm Harrison Side Rooms C & D
- 10/27/15 (Tuesday) 2:00-3:30 pm Houghton, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conf Rm
- 10/29/15 (Thursday) 9:00-10:00 am Irving 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Employee Health

#### Physician Portal on the Horizon...Your Input is Requested!

As many of you are aware, communication between providers/medical staff and hospital administration is a challenge. We are constantly being bombarded with e-mails, In-basket messages, News Briefs, department meeting minutes, and digital sign board messages. Yet none of these methods has proven particularly effective in delivering relevant and pertinent information on a consistent basis. We are working on creating a Physician Portal which would serve as a central point for two way communication between the medical staff and the hospital. Jamie Jager, a CMU graduate student working in our Business Development office is assisting in this endeavor. She is conducting a short survey to understand what features of a Physician Portal are valuable to you. Please click on the link below to take a short five minute survey. The Portal will only be as good as we make it and to make it valuable and relevant, we need your input. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CovenantPortal>

#### Dr. William Wong to Assume Position of Radiation Safety Officer

Effective September 3, 2015, Dr. William Wong will assume the responsibilities as Covenant's Radiation Safety Officer. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission and CMS require that the medical staff be made aware of the name of our Radiation Safety Officer. We would also like to extend our gratitude to Dr. Chirdeep Bhutani for his dedication while serving as Covenant's prior Radiation Safety Officer over the last several years.

### EVENTS

#### Grand Opening of the Covenant Radiation Center!

Join us November 12 from 5-7 pm for the grand opening of the newly renovated Covenant Radiation Center. Take a tour to see the state of the art Elekta Versa HD Linear Accelerator. There will also be hors d'oeuvres, refreshments and a brief program at 5:30 pm for you to enjoy as well. Please RSVP if you are planning to attend by calling 1.866.COVENANT (1.866.268.3626).

#### Interfaith Service

In the celebration of Pastoral Care Week, the Department of Pastoral Care & Education invites you to participate in a chapel service that celebrates the diversity of faiths represented at Covenant HealthCare. Although we are of many faiths, we share a common healing narrative. Let us explore and celebrate together the extraordinary care we are called to provide according to our individual religious and faith narratives. If you would like to be a part of the service as one of our worship leaders, please contact Chaplain Anne Breitag, Chaplain Zach Lovig, or Chaplain Heather Collins, or call 989.583.4279. Services will be held on Wednesday, October 28 at 11:30 am and 6:30 pm in the Cooper Chapel.