

# PHYSICIAN

## **NEWS BRIEF**

News about Covenant HealthCare from the Office of Physician Relations  
February 10, 2015

### **EVENTS**

#### **Doctor's Day 2015 ... Save the date - March 30**

All Covenant Medical Staff Physicians are invited to join us for a breakfast celebration for National Doctors' Day 2015. The celebration will take place from 6:30 am to 11 am with made-to-order omelets in the white tent in the physician parking lot at Cooper. We hope you can join us! For more details, contact Maryvonne DeSmyter, office administrator at 583.4040. Thank you.

### **BUSINESS UPDATES**

#### **Dr. David Gill Relocating February 2**

Dr. David Gill and Covenant Neurology began seeing patients at his new location on February 2. His new office location is: **Covenant Neurology, 1320 N. Michigan, Suite 7, Saginaw, MI 48602. Dr. Gill can be reached at 989.583.7090, Option 2, and by fax at 989.583.7052.**

#### **Welcome Saginaw Family Physicians**

Effective February 6, Covenant HealthCare has acquired Saginaw Family Physicians, which are the practices of Michael Slavin, MD, and John Johnson, MD.

Dr. Johnson retired from practice effective December 31, 2014. However, Dr. Slavin will continue with the practice, now as part of the Covenant Medical Group.

Dr. Arun Veera will be relocating his practice on Monday, February 23, as well as assuming care for the patients of Dr. Johnson. He will be practicing alongside Dr. Slavin and Judith L. Sweany, PA-C. The phone numbers for the practice remain the same. Please welcome this practice to Covenant, and to the Covenant Medical Group.

### **NEW FACES**

#### **Welcome**

**Terek A. Taha, MD, Orthopedic Surgery**, 4701 Towne Centre, Suite 303, Saginaw. Dr. Taha can be reached at 790.6719.

**Mohammad K. Kanjwal, MD, Cardiology**, Michigan CardioVascular Institute, 1015 S. Washington Ave., Saginaw. Dr. Kanjwal can be reached at 754.3000.

### **EMR UPDATES**

#### **Update on Best Practice Advisory for Patients Receiving Anticoagulants**

The new Epic Best Practice Advisory (BPA) for Laboratory PT and APTT tests live date has been pushed back one week and the tentative live date is February 10.

#### **Change in Blood Collection Tubes**

As of February 17, 2015, Covenant Laboratory will be converting from Greiner Blood Collection tubes to Becton Dickinson (BD) Blood Collection tubes. The Conversion of Blood collection tubes will increase quality of all specimens and decrease turnaround time for chemistry results.

For physician offices that collect their own specimens please reference the following link on the Covenant Laboratory website for conversion information. [http://covenantlab.com/lab\\_updates.html](http://covenantlab.com/lab_updates.html). For questions or more information, please contact Jeff Hartwick at 989.583.6799.