

2018 UHMS Accreditation

The Institute For Wound Care & Hyperbaric Medicine at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital received their 2018 reaccreditation from the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society (UHMS), the nation's leading authority on hyperbaric medicine. UHMS accreditation means our Wound Care team has met and exceeded the highest standards of care and patient safety through the rigorous evaluation of operations, including equipment, staff and training to ensure that the maximum level of quality is maintained within the specialty of undersea and hyperbaric medicine.

At our Institute for Wound Care & Hyperbaric Medicine, located on our Cortlandt Manor campus, we offer a comprehensive program run by a team of dedicated professionals, including physicians and vascular surgeons, certified wound care nurses, and hyperbaric technicians. In partnership with the patient's primary physician, each patient receives a thorough diagnostic exam to identify the type of wound and its underlying cause. We utilize the most advanced wound healing techniques and a multi-disciplinary approach in our effort to heal patients. For more information, or to make an appointment, call 914-734-3030.



Pictured from left: Christian Martinez, CHT, Meghan McGregor, CHT, Jessica Kilpatrick, PAC Eileen Donatelli, BSN, WCC, ACHRN, Clinical Nurse Manager, Dr. Hisham Hourani, FACS Medical Director and practitioner, NYPMG HV, Dalia Robles, CHT, Christine Rogers, RN, WCC, Carol Morales, PCT

Cold Spring Open House October 18

Hospital and medical leadership, staff and NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley Hospital physicians joined community leaders and residents for the official opening of the new medical office building in Cold Spring on Route 9D. More than 100 guests included New York State Senator Sue Serino and Putnam County Legislator Barbara Scuccimarra, Cold Spring Mayor David Merandy and City of Peekskill Mayor Andre Rainey. This new location ensures that the residents of Cold Spring and the surrounding communities have access to primary and specialty care physicians who are committed to providing an exceptional patient experience and highest level of care. Same day appointments are also available.

NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley

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For all services, call: 845-265-3642
Laboratory - Physical Therapy - Radiology - Mammography



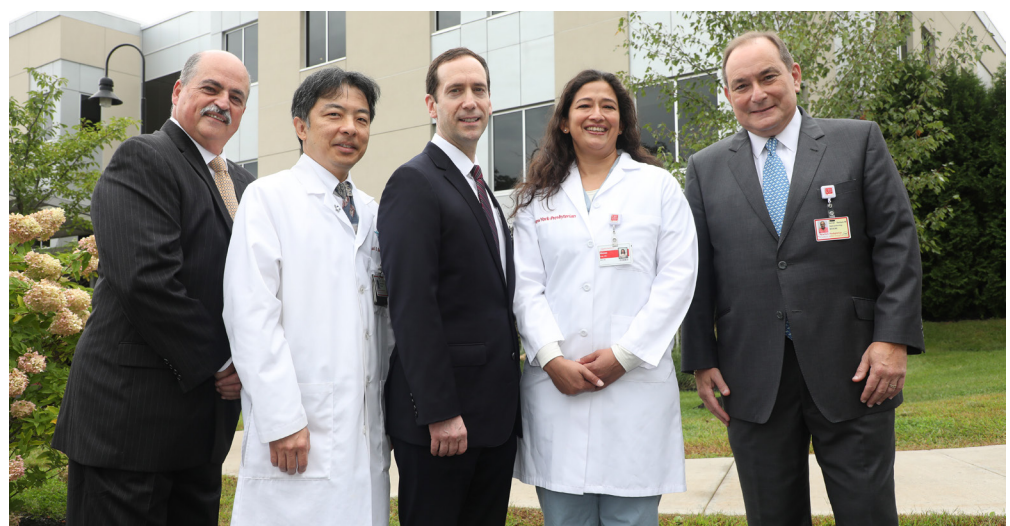
Pictured from left: William J. Higgins, MD, MBA Vice President, Regional Executive Medical Director, Stacey Petrower, President, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, Paul F. Guillaro, President, Unicorn Contracting Corporation.

58th Annual Fall Gala October 12

At the 58th Annual Fall Gala, supporters of NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital raised over \$300,000 and celebrated the acquisition of the Digestive Health Center, as well as its team of physicians, nurses and staff who comprise the NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital Digestive Health Center. The team of experts includes the highly-regarded group of gastroenterologists who originally opened the Digestive Health Center - Dr. Herman Kleinbaum, Dr. Mitchell Josephs, Dr. David Lin, and Dr. Eric Teitel. On April 1, 2018, the group was welcomed to NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, joining Dr. Shireen Pais and Dr. Frank Turchioe, and expanding the NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital's digestive health service line. Our board-certified gastroenterologists have extensive experience caring for patients with digestive disorders from the most common to complicated illnesses. To make an appointment to see one of our physicians please call 914-788-4635.



Pictured from left: Michael Delfino, Chairman of the hospital's Community Board of Directors, Stacey Petrower, President, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, and The Honorable George E. Pataki, former Governor of New York.



Providing the full continuum of gastroenterology care are practitioners from NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley: (pictured from left) Frank J. Turchioe, MD, Clinical Director of Gastroenterology; David E. Lin, MD, FAGC; Mitchell A. Josephs, MD; Shireen A. Pais, MD, FAGC, AGAF, FASGE; and Herman B. Kleinbaum, MD

Breast Cancer Awareness Month October 2018

Raising awareness of breast cancer is a priority for NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital year round and the month of October brings a special spotlight on education and support.

“Wear Pink Wednesdays” October 3

On October 3rd we started the month off wearing pink every Wednesday in support of breast cancer awareness.



Support-A-Walk October 7

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital is proud of its long-time relationship with Support Connection Inc., hosting the “Support A Walk” kickoff breakfast every August in our Main Lobby, providing space for a monthly Support Group at our Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center, and sponsoring the annual “Support A Walk for Breast and Ovarian Cancer” at FDR Park in Yorktown. This year produced one of the largest NYPHVH teams ever - an opportunity to bring attention to the needs of people living with breast and ovarian cancer, and raising funds for support services, such as counseling, support groups and wellness programs.



Women’s Breast Health Panel October 16

The panel featured an informative discussion for a community audience about ways to reduce one’s risk for breast cancer and the latest advances in treatment options. Presented by Maddalena Duarte, MD, DABR, Medical Director, Women’s Imaging; Melita Charles, MD, FACS, Surgical Oncologist, The Ashikari Breast Center; and Leah Katz, MD, MPH, Radiation Oncologist, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital’s Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Comprehensive Cancer Center.



Pictured from left: Tara Sammer (Pharmacist), Paula Natale (Unit Secretary, ICU), and Andrea Karl, Peer Counselor, Support Connection, Inc.

The panel speakers were Maddalena Duarte, MD DABR, Leah Katz, MD, MPH (standing), and Melita Charles, MD, FACS (seated).

Physician in the Kitchen October 26



In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Dr. Jonelle Bingham-Alexander, Clinical Director, Obstetrics & Gynecology, NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, held a special program, “Superfoods for Breast Health,” at the hospital’s Chef Peter X. Kelly Teaching Kitchen, focusing on foods for prevention and support. Attendees learned how to prepare a seasonal, nutrient-dense meal.

Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk October 21

Staff from the Cancer Centers of both NYP Hudson Valley Hospital and NYP Lawrence Hospital managed the NYP table at the American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk. Sponsored by NYP, and held at Manhattanville College, Purchase, among the 2,000 walkers were Angela Gonzalez-Perez, NYPHVH Vice President, Operations, and husband, Ben Perez.



6th Annual Roy Ashikari, MD, Cancer Symposium October 25

Hospital and medical leadership and NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital physicians joined 100 attendees at this medical education program for physicians and other practitioners, sponsored by NYP Hudson Valley Hospital and the Ashikari Breast Center. 2.0 CME credits were given. Keynote Address was delivered by Gary K. Schwartz, MD, Professor of Medicine, Columbia University Irving Medical Center, Division Chief, Hematology/Oncology and Deputy Director, Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center. Topic: The Impact of Genomics and Immunotherapy on Cancer Care.

Pictured from left:

Angela Gonzalez-Perez, Vice President, Operations, NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital, Dr. Martin Oster, Medical Oncologist, ColumbiaDoctors and NYP HVH, Dr. Gary Schwartz, Keynote Speaker, Professor of Medicine, CUIMC, Division Chief, Hematology/Oncology, Deputy Director, Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center, Dr. Della Makower, Speaker, Associate Professor of Medicine, Albert Einstein College of Medicine/ Montefiore Medical Center, Director of Therapeutic Services - Breast Medical Oncology, Dr. Andrew Ashikari; Surgical Oncologist, The Ashikari Breast Center, Dr. Roy Ashikari, Founder, The Ashikari Breast Center, Dr. Mark Stoopler, Medical Oncologist, ColumbiaDoctors - Dr. Pond Keleman; Surgical Oncologist, The Ashikari Breast Center, Dr. William Audeh, Chief Medical Officer, Agendia, Dr. J. Gregory Mears, Medical Oncologist, ColumbiaDoctors and NYP HVH.



Celebrating Our Caregivers

Supply Chain Week celebrations continued at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital with leadership and members of the Materials Management Team. Participating in the recognition of our team was Angela Gonzalez-Perez, Vice President-Operations, and Stacey Petrower, President, who commented that we are proud of the dedication of these important members of our healthcare team. This team ensures that the hospital's caregivers have the supplies needed to deliver the best care and patient experience possible.



Prince Belin and Stacey Petrower, President



Angela Gonzalez-Perez, VP-Operations (pictured above), shadowed Jennifer Cooper, who celebrated her 10th anniversary at our hospital.

Silver Lining Healthy Aging Fair September 27

In September we held the Silver Lining Healthy Aging Fair, presented by the NICHE (Nurses Improving Care for Healthsystem Elders) Committee at NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, a success, providing important information to seniors and access to our MDs, nurses and other caregivers.

Physicians from NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley, including Dr. Bruce Heckman, Palliative Care, provided a community lecture about "Polypharmacy and Medication Management;" Dr. Himani Chandra, Endocrinology, did glucose testing; and Dr. Surbhi Agarwal, Internal Medicine, Dr. Debbie Bakes, Colorectal Surgery, and Dr. Harold Stevelman of the hospital's Ethics Committee, were available to meet the community and provide information and education.

What is NICHE?

Providing outstanding care for older adults NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital has been recognized again for its best practices. The Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing at New York University College of Nursing, the NICHE ranking organization, has notified the Hospital of the re-designation of our "Exemplar" status, signifying a high rating of care for older adults throughout our facility. The well-deserved honor is a tribute to the Hospital's continued focus on educating nursing staff on geriatric care and incorporating the NICHE philosophy into all aspects of care throughout the Hospital. Older adults benefit from NYP Hudson Valley Hospital's focus on providing education and resources for good nutrition, improving mobility and overall health promotion.

NICHE is the leading nurse-driven program designed to help hospitals and healthcare organizations improve the care of older adults. NYP Hudson Valley Hospital was first designated as a NICHE hospital in February 2011. In March 2014, the Hospital's NICHE designation was elevated to "Exemplar," and with the March 2016 reaffirmation of the "Exemplar" status, ours is among only 91 hospitals in the country to attain this high rating for geriatric-friendly care.

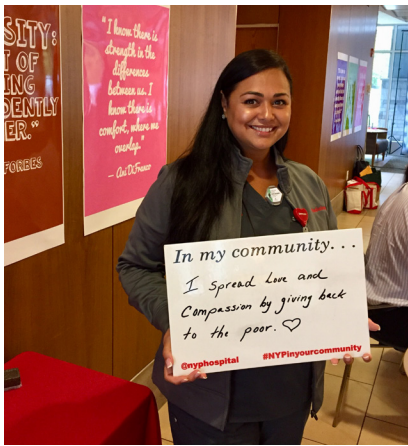


Pictured from left: Mary Kincart, Vice President, Quality and Patient Safety; Dr. Himani Chandra, Endocrinology; Dr. Surbhi Agarwal, Internal Medicine; Dr. Debbie Bakes, Colorectal Surgery; A. Bonnie Corbett, Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President, Patient Services; and Marisa Pidala, RN, (OR).

Engagement Fair September 2018

NYP Hudson Valley Hospital employees are highly engaged individuals, with many contributing to the communities we serve and where they live - through volunteerism.

#NYPEngagement



Angelina Rivera, Nuclear Medicine



Frances McCarthy, Farmers Market

Peekskill Fire and Police 5K September 8

NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital is an annual sponsor of the Peekskill Police & Fire 5k and 30 NYPHVH team members, led by Dr. Phillip Calenda and joined below by City of Peekskill Mayor Andre Rainey, proudly ran or walked the 5k route near the Riverfront to raise funds for scholarships in memory of Peekskill Police Det. Charles Wassil and Peekskill Firefighter Kevin J. Bristol. Leading the hospital team with impressive runs were Ben Lukens, Pharmacist (22:29), and Marissa Offenbacher, RN, Obstetrical Services (22:50).



Harry Chapin Run October 21

Representing NYP Hudson Valley Hospital as a major sponsor of the Harry Chapin Memorial Run Against Hunger in Croton on Sunday, October 21st, and making remarks was Carolyn Padiar, Director, Center for Rehabilitation, with sites at NYPHVH in Cortlandt Manor, Croton and Cold Spring.

To learn more or to make an appointment for Physical Therapy please call 914-734-3509



Pictured from left: Beth Conetta, PT, DPT, Supervisor, Croton-on-Hudson's PT location; and Carolyn Padiar, PT, Director, and Barbara Idczak-Krenz, PT, of the hospital's Center for Rehabilitation.



October Happenings...

Pharmacy Week

October brought Pharmacy Week, celebrating the tremendous contributions to patient care by the Pharmacy Department.

Pharmacy Week Recognition Awards were given to Karen Cabuhat, Pharmacist, for “Pharmacy Excellence” & to Angela Kanthak, Storeroom Supervisor, who was named 2018 “Pharmacy Partner.”



Joining the Pharmacy team for a celebration of their commitment and dedication were (left) Angela Gonzalez-Perez, Vice President, Operations, and (right) Karen Erickson, Director, Pharmacy.

Donor Day October 10



Recognizing the importance of organ donations and collaborating with ICU and ED Magnet nurses were, from left: Billy Lang, ED Technician, Sean O’Toole, RN, Donna Rosenberg, RN, Patient Care Director, ED, Theresa Ryan, RN, Patient Care Director, ICU, Harvey Lerner, Coordinator, LiveOnNY, Lauren Astern, RN. Visitors and @NYPHVH employees are making the number of life-saving organ donors rise!

Hendrick Hudson High School Students Visit Emergency Department

NYP Hudson Valley Hospital welcomed bio-med students from Hendrick Hudson High School to learn more about the workings of our No Wait ED.

In a tweet from Joseph E. Hochreiter, Superintendent, Hendrick Hudson Schools: “Many thanks to our good friends and neighbors @NYPHVH for a great partnership and providing rigorous and relevant opportunities for our kids today...who are tomorrow’s medical leaders!”



Pictured from left: Dr. Ron Nutovits, ED Director, and Jeanine Hall, Science Teacher, Hendrick Hudson High School, join Bio-Med students. Not pictured: Elizabeth Koch, PCT, who provided a tour.

CAREERS Support Solutions

At its 31st Annual Awards Celebration, CAREERS Support Solutions recognized NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital for its continued support in providing diverse internships for students to gain marketable experience. Tina Cornish-Lauria, Executive Director of the non-profit, which serves Westchester and Putnam Counties, and provides workforce readiness skills and job placement, on-the-job training, and ongoing support to individuals with disabilities, noted the hospital was one of the first partners in its Education and Employment Initiative. Ellen Bloom, Director, Marketing and Development, NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, was recognized as 2018 “Supervisor of the Year.” Added Ms. Cornish-Lauria: “Ellen was the first supervisor to create an internship in her department in 2015. She fostered an environment that made it easy for interns to flourish, and generated an enthusiasm for the program that filtered into other areas of the hospital. Ellen has provided outstanding support to all of our students who have had the opportunity to volunteer there.” Pictured: Ellen Bloom with Maggie Smith, CAREERS Employment Specialist, and Robert Lovett, intern. Also pictured: Tonja Inlaw, Director, Volunteer Services, accepted on behalf of NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, and was joined by Robert Lovett, intern, and Kim Flynn, CAREERS Transition and Work-Based Learning Coordinator.



Halloween Fun October 31



Pumpkin Decorating Contest Winners

Top individual honors went to Cindy Fox, PT; Rosemary Roehraur, PT/OT Registrar; and Christina Zumwalt, OT, for a Porcupine, NEMO and OT Rex, respectively. Group awards went to the Emergency Department for their tribute to Breast Cancer survivors, naming their pumpkin, “Girl..You Got This!” and to Paul Butler, Chaplain Coordinator and his family, who created a box of “Punkin Donuts!” The Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest is presented by OT/ HandTherapy, to raise awareness about Hand Safety at Halloween; contest rules require that no sharp tools or objects can be used in the creation of these pumpkins. Thanks to organizers, Erin McCarthy, OT Supervisor, and Frances McCarthy, Coordinator, Farmers Market.



In the Community

Physicians from NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital and the NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group Hudson Valley are always in our communities.

October 19

Dr. Louis Amorosa, Orthopedic Surgeon & Spine Specialist, NYP MG HV, also with Columbia Doctors, joined Yorktown Seniors for a talk on spinal stenosis.



Pictured seated from left: Daryl Lindholm, Irving Breitbart, and Jennie Menton-Grasso. **Pictured From left, standing:** Dr. Louis Amorosa; Ed Lachterman, Town of Yorktown Councilman; RoseMario Panio, Chair, Yorktown Seniors Advisory Committee; Gilbert Kaufmann, Todd Orłowski, and Marie Fama.



October 19

At the hospital's Chef Peter X. Kelly Teaching Kitchen, Dr. Daniela Spitzer, Internal Medicine, NYPMG HV, led a cooking demonstration alongside Chef Emilie Berner and lectured on ways to reduce blood pressure.



October 19

In another monthly Wellness Series that the hospital collaborates on with Cortlandt Town Supervisor Linda Puglisi (pictured left), Dr. Phillip Calenda, Ophthalmologist (pictured right), spoke to town employees about making eye care a priority.



September 26

At the Hendrick Hudson Free Library in Montrose, Dr. Nicole Belkin, NYP Medical Group ColumbiaDoctors, Orthopedic Surgeon, kicked off the "Keeping Healthy with NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital" series with a talk about sports injury prevention and management, especially for high school athletes.



September 27

Dr. Madhavi Katikaneni, Nephrologist, NYP Medical Group Hudson Valley, pictured here with Joy Chiulli, Auxiliary President, and Anthony Maddalena, Pharmacist, discussed kidney health and medication management with members of the Tri-State IBM Retirees Group in Shrub Oak.

Community Education on the Negative Effects of Vaping

Dr. Craig Hametz, Cardiologist, NewYork-Presbyterian Medical Group, and Chair of Medicine at NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley joined a panel, "Vaping 101: What Every Parent Needs to Know About the Culture of Youth Vaping," held by the Cortlandt Community Coalition, represented by Colleen Anderson (right). Joining them at the Hendrick Hudson Free Library in Montrose is Judy Mezey (left), Assistant Director for Community Based Programs, for the Student Assistance Services Corp., a Tarrytown-based organization employing school counselors throughout Westchester, including at Hendrick Hudson and Lakeland schools. Dr. Hametz informed parents about the medical dangers of vaping and how research will not be conclusive for more than a decade. He and Ms. Mezey commented on how vaping is often a "gateway" to cigarette addiction and how marketing techniques target teens, among other insights. In addition to parents, the panel was attended by school leaders and student counselors from Lakeland High School and Hendrick Hudson High School, and other community partners, including from the Town of Cortlandt and the Cortlandt Community Coalition.



A Warm Welcome To Our New NYPMG HV Physicians



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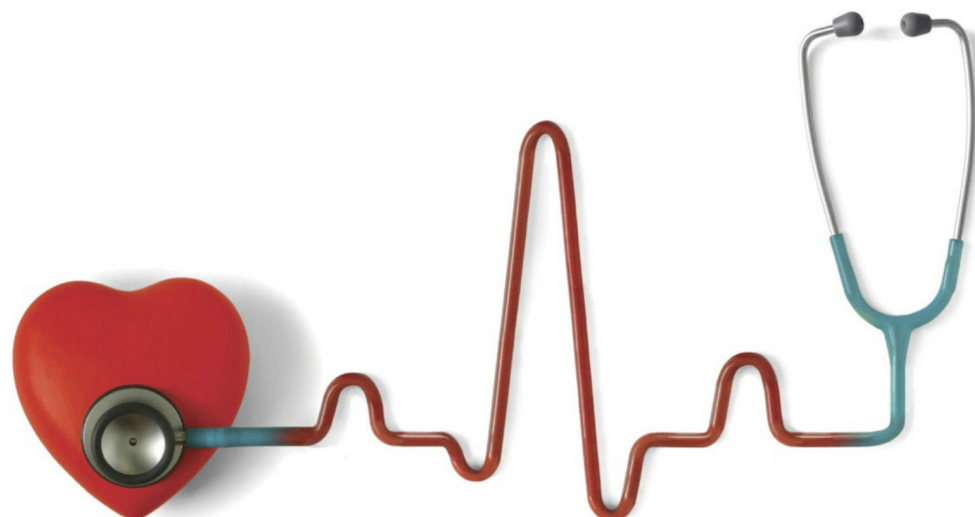
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Congratulations to our Employees of the Month



Asha Sundeep April 2018
Staff Development Instructor - Education

Asha Sundeep joined NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in April 2006 and has continuously demonstrated the core values of the hospital in her everyday practice. Asha has evolved into a strong educator who is committed and innovative in her efforts to develop informative programs, which are a tremendous value to our hospital. Asha is an excellent role model for her colleagues and she is always going above and beyond expectations. Her calming presence makes patients and families feel welcome and special.

Asha is kind and empathetic to those around her and always has a smile on her face. Her professionalism speaks volumes. Asha is the prime example to patients, families and employees of what it means to be a Magnet nurse!



Joanne Odlum May 2018
Employment Coordinator - Human Resources

Since joining NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in January 2013, Joanne Odlum has been an essential member of our staff. Joanne's contribution to the recruiting efforts at Hudson Valley have created a long lasting impact. She helps to ensure that amazing people work here; tackling the hard to fill positions and hiring highly skilled nurses that will help contribute to our Magnet status.

Without a moment's hesitation, Joanne went above and beyond in helping our transitioning HR Department over the last year. Ensuring the job got done, she graciously trained several new HR team members and took on many new responsibilities when needed. Joanne was key in planning many of our 2018 employee recognition events from Wall of Heroes to the Employee Appreciation Day. This was all done while helping lead the integration efforts in Talent Acquisition. Congratulations Joanne! Thank you for being a true life-force in the Human Resources department, upholding our values, Respect Credo, and much more.



Emily Langan June 2018
OR Systems Coordinator RN - Surgical Services

Emily Langan joined NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in July 1981 and has developed a wealth of knowledge that is valued by staff and patients alike. Credited as an asset to this hospital, her years of experience are an outstanding resource to her colleagues. A team player like no other, Emily is always available to assist with whatever needs to be done with patience and a smile.

Emily's ability to adapt to any situation that arises makes her an instrumental employee in our surgical services department. While assisting in training new staff, scrubbing, or circulating during surgery – Emily is a consistent team player for the surgical team. She is a Systems Coordinator, who was instrumental in the development of our surginet documentation system. Whether it is pulling data in moment's notice, or assisting on a surgical case, Emily is always willing to help in any way she can. Congratulations Emily and thank you for your dedication to this hospital.



Shalaela Preston July 2018
Perinatal Technician - Maternal Child Health

Shae Preston has been a dedicated employee for over 15 years. She takes great pride in maintaining and improving patient safety and ensuring best outcomes. Shae has become a member of the hospital wide committee Hospital Acquired Injury and Infection Prevention; demonstrating accountability and teamwork. She is currently enrolled in school to become a Certified Scrub Technician even further demonstrating her strong commitment to quality patient outcomes.

This past Summer, Shae was administering routine testing on a newborn and quickly realized that something was amiss. She quickly alerted the newborn's care team, and the baby was immediately transferred to a higher level of care. The patient's mother writes: "Thanks to Shae, Jonathan is able to be medically managed until surgery is needed in a few months. Jon and I will always be grateful and blessed to have had Shae watching over our family during my hospital stay. Employees like Shalaela help make hospital stays peaceful knowing that although you are not family, you feel like family because someone is watching over you during a time of need."



Anthony Russo August 2018
Respiratory Therapist - Respiratory Therapy

Anthony Russo has been with NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital since October 1995 and quickly established himself as a steady, responsible, empathic and reliable member of our organization.

Anthony's career began as a Per Diem Patient Care Technician (PCT), within the year he transitioned to full-time status as a PCT in the Emergency Room Department. Anthony furthered his training and 18 years ago, upon certification and licensing, he joined the Respiratory Therapy department as a Respiratory Therapist. Anthony's dedication and strong work ethic coupled with his respectful and empathic patient focused caring is a guiding example for his fellow staff members. Anthony is considered the 'go-to' in RT as he helps new staff members and strengthens the department's teamwork and always goes the 'extra mile'. He recently partnered with the Lab to introduce updated blood gas analyzers, contribute to a joint policy, updated staff competencies to meet new requirements, and an overhaul of the blood gas laboratory.

Congratulations to our Employees of the Month



Christopher Guastella *September 2018*
CAT Scan Technologist - Radiology

Christopher joined NewYork-Presbyterian Hudson Valley in September 2000, however, his colleagues believe he should actually receive credit for also being born at the hospital!

His career began as a Dispatcher in the Dispatch Services Department, from this position Chris then transferred to File Clerk roles in both the Patient Accounts and Radiology Departments. In 2006, Christopher received his Radiologic Technologist registration and moved into a CAT Scan Technician position.

Throughout his time with NYP Hudson Valley Hospital, Chris has consistently exemplified our core values. Patients regularly single Chris out on surveys for always treating them kindly and with sincere respect. Chris' colleagues agree and state that he is truly committed to them as a team and always keeps the patient at the center of his focus and care. He is praised for his respectful and outgoing disposition, whether he is speaking to his coworkers or assisting a patient. His coworkers describe him as a great team worker and someone who helps drive our organizational commitment to high quality care.



Michele McLeod *October 2018*
Emergency Dept. Technician - Emergency Department

Michele joined the organization in April 2016, as a Patient Care Technician (PCT). From the beginning she has been extraordinary in her pride and commitment to the organization. She transferred in July 2018 to the Emergency Room Department (ED) in an ED Technician role where she continues to exemplify teamwork and patient care especially through her efforts and success with "Commit to Sit". Patients routinely comment, and her colleagues agree, that she is always smiling, happy to help patients, finishes her work and is thrilled to help others. Daily morning huddles typically involve multiple shout outs to Michele! The ED understands the critical importance of working as a team and they recognize, appreciate and applaud Michelle's commitment and work ethic. Michele puts the 'care' in caregiver.



Ines Arpi *November 2018*
Operating Room Attendant - Central Supply

Ines Arpi joined the hospital in May 2006 and has long been an integral team member of the Surgical Services Department. Ines' colleagues consistently comment that "she is someone we can all learn from". She always takes the extra step, she anticipates the needs of the department and acts upon those needs quickly.

Ines' kind and reliable demeanor is a calm and soothing balance to the challenges faced in the OR. Her colleagues say it best when they say "if only we could clone her!" Ines leads by example and is recognized as a hard working, patient focused member of her team. We thank Ines for her continued efforts in providing the best patient care and for always keeping a smile on her face.



Rachael Hogan *December 2018*
Women's Imaging - Radiology

Rachael began her journey with NewYork Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in our Radiology Department, March of 2015. Rachael was an extremely fast learner and could handle many different tasks.

Rachael greets each and every patient that comes through the doors with a smile, ensuring that each and every patient experiences warmth, compassion and professional service. Rachael is committed to delivering a Patient Experience second to none. Within a year, an opportunity in Women's Imaging at the main NYPHVH campus became available and she accepted the position. Rachael works tirelessly for every patient that she assists. She consistently goes above and beyond and exemplifies the RESPECT credo every day, with both patients and coworkers. Rachael is defined as a team player and is very invested in our patients. We couldn't be more proud to have her as part of the Clerical Radiology team!



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James Mayott
Registered Nurse

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Caroline Geraci
Registered Nurse

Susmitha Nallur
Registered Nurse

Tara Smith
Registered Nurse

4 South
Christy Gooden
Patient Care Technician

Christina Roman
Registered Nurse

Reshma Varghese
Registered Nurse

Administration
Nancy Cito
Executive Assistant

Admitting
Jennifer Creales
Admitting/ER Registrar

Alen Pepic
Admitting/ER Registrar

Stephanie Villafane
Admitting/ER Registrar

Central Supply
Christopher Chisholm
Supervisor - Central Sterile Processing

Emergency Room
Kristin Conforti
Registered Nurse

Brian Gay
Patient Care Technician

EMS
Jeffrey Jones
Emergency Medical Tech

Christian Martinez
Emergency Medical Tech

Engineering
Chris Cruz
Manager Engineering

Maria-Ann Watson
Office Assistant

Environmental Services
Andres Garcia
Environmental Services Aide

Joseph Polanco
Environmental Services Aide

EWS
Cynthia Rodriguez-Cerezo
Scheduler

Hospitality Shop
Deborah Robinson
Hospitality Shop Worker

Infusion Center
Deborah Doodnauth
Pharmacist

Heather Purvis
Clinical Nurse Manager

Intensive Care Unit
Katisha Moore
Registered Nurse

Kristy Stasiak
Registered Nurse

Interventional Nursing
Yolanda Tuta Pachon
Registered Nurse

Laboratory
Bryan Genus
Laboratory Tch I

Danielle Gresch
Supervisor Lab Chem/
Hematology

Tania Podeia
Specimen Processor

Maternity
Amrita Dhanoa
Registered Nurse

NICU
Sara Steinberg
Registered Nurse

Nursing Administration
Lara Scrimenti
Director Cancer Center

Nyree Watson
Patient Care Technician

Patient Accounting
Kasey Horan
Billing Representative

Nicole Zayas
Billing Representative

Paramedic Institute
Jennifer Pietrzyk
Paramedic

Pharmacy
Lisandra Ortiz
Pharmacy Tech

Physical Therapy
Rana Lowenthal
Physical Therapist

Berlini Narampanawe
PT Aide/Receptionist

Nicole Odoardi
Physical Therapist

Jamie Savitzky
Physical Therapist

Eric Schwabe
Senior Physical Therapist

Progressive Care Unit
Alyse Dorcil
Registered Nurse

Desiree Safieh-Forrest
Telemetry Technician

Radiology
R. Vanessa Persad
File Clerk

Nury Ramirez
Radiological Technologist

Security
Stephen Carroll
Manager of Security

Michael Gordon
Security Officer

Edward Romero
Security Officer

George Turner
Security Officer

Rafael Vera
Security Officer

Social Services
Tamara Clayton
Case Manager RN

Surgical Services
Virgilio Agüero
OR Attendant

Dami Bello
OR Attendant

Leah Canjura
Registered Nurse

Billy Faller
Patient Care Director

Bruce Provencher
Director Surgical Services

Transportors
Christopher Alava
Transporter

Davel Cocolicchio
Transport Supervisor

Luis Gonzalez
Transporter

Nina James
Transporter

Ultrasound Diagnostic
Veveine Carroll
Diag Med Sonographer II

Wellness Center
Laura Boscia
Membership Coordinator

Marking Anniversary Milestones

September - December 2018

45 Years

Jessie Bosco
Receiving And Stores

44 Years

Linda Paupst
Progressive Care Unit

43 Years

Arlene Swansen
Maternity

40 Years

Anna Slempta
Nursing Administration

38 Years

Diane McConville
Ambulatory Surgery

Linda Obuck
Maternity

37 Years

Linda Kanojia
Intensive Care Unit

33 Years

Eve Holderman
Recovery Room

Nancy Scott

Nursing Administration

32 Years

Jocelyn Gramata-Curtin
Intensive Care Unit

Margaret Kivel

Emergency Room

Susan Staples

Surgical Services

31 Years

Mary Alfaro
Surgical Services

Ann Molyneaux

2 South

Ian Morrow

Laboratory

30 Years

Myrna Bacdayan
Emergency Room

Patricia Zubradt

3 South

29 Years

Nancy Koutnik
4 South

28 Years

Laura O'Grady
Emergency Room

Victoria Taylor

Surgical Services

27 Years

Anna Apostol
Ambulatory Surgery

Jeannine Paonessa

Nursing Administration

25 Years

Deidre Gruber
Laboratory

24 Years

Amos Ramsay
Environmental Services

23 Years

Paul Barrett
Laboratory

Anthony Russo

Respiratory Therapy

22 Years

James Laura
Respiratory Therapy

21 Years

Barbie Morgan
Surgical Services

20 Years

Elizabeth Dwyer
Radiology

Noreen Joachim

Nursing Administration

19 Years

Maureen Dimaggio
Patient Accounting

Cheryl Healy

General Accounting

18 Years

Corie Diehl
Patient Accounting

Prisca Drigo

4 South

Ruth Espinoza

2 South

Christopher Guastella

Cat Scan

Celina Rodrigues

Patient Accounting

17 Years

Antonietta Badi
Health Info Mgmt

May Burke

Communication

Doreen Dinnen

Radiology

Linda Donachie

Surgical Services

Angela Kanthak

Purchasing

Debora Montalvo

Quality Assurance

Sabrina Nitkowski-Keever

Nursing Administration

Diosa Reyes-Mendes

Cold Spring Radiology

16 Years

Tyrone Benjamin
Environmental Services

Dianne Browne

4 South

June Calderon

Laboratory

Charles Cannato

MRI

Justin Costable

Paramedic Institute

Melissa Cummins

2 South

Susan Faeth

Surgical Services

Mark Felder

Engineering

Diane Fumo

Ultrasound Diagnostic

Elizabeth Iglesias

Cat Scan

Carol Kolesar

Laboratory

Olive Peart

Women's Imaging

Shalaela Preston

Maternity

Patricia Todd-Perez

Laboratory

15 Years

Rosario Dias
Environmental Services

Lorraine Gavio

Laboratory

Maria-Rose Imbruglia

Radiology

Ronaldo Pacheco

Radiology

14 Years

Mary Benson
Nuclear Medicine

Orquidea Castro

3 South

Charisma Corpuz

Ambulatory Surgery

Jennifer Creeden

Pharmacy

Tama Goodstein

Physical Therapy

Corrina Kelley

Maternity

Dorina Lopes

Progressive Care Unit

Shannon McPherson

Nursing Administration

Tracy Shenton

Laboratory

Carmen Vele

Progressive Care Unit

13 Years

Susan Andersen
Center Digestive Health

Elna Baniel

Ambulatory Surgery

Ramil Betua

Interventional Nursing

Katherine Geaney

4 South

Brian Kelly

Nuclear Medicine

Beth Mazzola

Emergency Room

Erin McCarthy

Occupation Therapy

John Neary

Transportors

Noreen Puglia

3 South

Denise Staats

2 South

Nerissa Thomas

Ultrasound Diagnostic

12 Years

Debbie Chakansky

Maternity

Danielle Inman

Ultrasound Diagnostic

William Keating

Engineering

Louis Mauro

Respiratory Therapy

Mary McGuinness

Intensive Care Unit

Margi Quail

General Accounting

Armand Rosillo

Interventional Nursing

Anthony Russo

Cold Spring PT

Tara Sammer

Pharmacy

Susan Schwerner

Education

11 Years

Masoumeh Gholamrezaei
Nursing Administration

Rahiim Grant

Progressive Care Unit

Taline Guekjian

Employee Health

Karen Houlahan

Women's Imaging

Rosamma Joseph

2 South

Mabel Joy

4 South

Renee Lemieux

Physical Therapy

Kurt Leonard

Environmental Services

Valerie McGough

Women's Imaging

Rita Melendez-Reed

Laboratory

Carol Morales

Wound Care

Jane Orji

3 South

Katherine Pagano

4 South

Rosemary Tortorici

Nursing Administration

Santo Tortorici

Radiology

Sonia Varela

3 South

10 Years

Lori Aversa
Progressive Care Unit

Kim Boddie

Radiology

Annarose Curley

Pharmacy

Salvatore DiMaio

Engineering

Mary Finch

Nursing Administration

Eugene Gorman

Nursing Administration

Steve Kollias

Pharmacy

Maria Levy

Maternity

Y'Zee Patrick

Nursing Administration

Deborah Petranich

Cardiac Rehab

Maria Petrovicova

Surgical Services

Jijimol Rajkumar

3 South

Karen Schoen

Progressive Care Unit

Pete Sequinot, Jr

Respiratory Therapy

Nisreen Abu Shuqair

Progressive Care Unit

Steven Sniffen

Emergency Room

Chitra Taneja

Physical Therapy

Darlene Torres

Emergency Room

Jan Youson

Environmental Services

9 Years

Reynaldo Andino
Environmental Services

Michael Carreira

Pharmacy

Lucia Dudjak

Progressive Care Unit

Menino Gonsalves

Environmental Services

Barbara Hernandez

Physical Therapy

John Houlihan

Environmental Services

Jessica Kilpatrick

Admitting

Elizabeth Koch

Emergency Room

Jeni Morgan

Maternity

Robert Popolizio

Environmental Services

Barbara Swartzwelder

Physical Therapy

Ajne Tetaj

Environmental Services

Su-Chean Ting

Pharmacy

Kim Trois

Ambulatory Surgery

Marking Anniversary Milestones

September - December 2018

8 Years

Cynthia Ammirati
Emergency Room

Victoria Azadian
4 South

Cynthia Barry
Physical Therapy

Janet Cuyong
4 South

Emma Fernandes
Admitting

Ashley Fleischhauer
Sleep Center

Amy Garrabrant
Intensive Care Unit

Robert Gorgone
Center Digestive Health

Manuel Lemus
Pharmacy

Cecelia Mcneil Linley
4 South

Jennifer Riley
Interventional Nursing

Kevin Roth
3 South

Ruel Wilson
3 South

7 Years

Donata Albert
Ultrasound Diagnostic

Laura Barry
Occupation Therapy

Denise Brana
Emergency Room

Karen Gilbert
Patient Accounting

Luz Hard
MRI

Bolivar Hernandez
Cat Scan

William Higgins
VP Medical Affairs & Chief
Medical Officer

Ruby Hussain
Nursing Administration

Kareen James
2 South

Mary-Evelyn Kennelty
Interventional Nursing

Tzina Klein
Laboratory

Ginny Layton-DiCheck
Infusion Center

Richard LeBrando
MRI

Jolene Lent
Ambulatory Surgery

Forline Jean Louis
3 South

Karen McCarthy
Ambulatory Surgery

Denise O'Mara
Radiation Oncology

Kristin Pitkin
Surgical Services

Lydia Rodriguez
Laboratory

Edward Rowe
Progressive Care Unit

Anne Satajo-Samms
Physical Therapy

Francis Sheeran
Engineering

Marina Stevens
Ultrasound Diagnostic

Leslie Stravello
Pharmacy

6 Years

Edward Becker
Paramedic Institute

Charlene Carpenter
Infusion Center

Anna Comiotes-Pugsley
Dietary Services

Beth Conetta
Croton Physical Therapy

Susan Davis
Surgical Services

Catherina DiFonzo
4 South

Sofia DiMaio
Cold Spring PT

Robert Joachim
Nursing Administration

Aminata McKnight
Recovery Room

Betty Peechatt
4 South

Marisa Pidala
Surgical Services

Nicole Rohrauer
Patient Accounting

Colleen Royston
Social Services

Andrew Stambaugh
Emergency Room

Krystal Turner
Infusion Center

5 Years
Simon Abraham
Security

Christopher Awerdick
Engineering

Niambi Casimere
EWS

Melanie Collins
Admitting

Thomas Crawford
Environmental Services

June Daniel
Nursing Administration

Christi Dellamura
Breast Center

Omali Diaz
Transportors

Cassi Fontana
Progressive Care Unit

Silvana Gentile
Patient Accounting

Alberta Hubbard
EWS

Shpresa Krasniqi
Surgical Services

Viviana Mantilla
Admitting

Varsha Mistry
Laboratory

Erica Paris
Radiation Oncology

Michael Paulson
Nursing Administration

Mark Sibblies
Paramedic Institute

Michael Wolf
Paramedic Institute

Promotions & Transfers

Rebecca Sitzer

New Job Title - Patient Care
Technician - ER

Prior Job Title - Transportor

Craig Margotta

New Job Title - Registered Nurse -
RN - Progressive Care Unit

Prior Job Title - PCT - Progressive
Care Unit

Amanda Smith

New Job Title - Registered Nurse -
RN - ER

Prior Job Title - PCT - ER

Jaier Overby

New Job Title - Ct Tech Aide - CT

Prior Job Title - Transporter

Nija Carter-Tarchine

New Job Title - Patient Access
Coordinator - Infusion Center

Prior Job Title - Admitting - Registrar

Jose Reyes

New Job Title - Patient Access
Coordinator - Radiation Oncology

Prior Job Title - Admitting - Registrar

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