

Physician Connection

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Hurley Receives Level II Pediatric Trauma Certification

Hurley Children's Hospital has received verification as a Level II Pediatric Trauma Center by the Verification Review Committee (VRC), an ad hoc committee of the Committee on Trauma (COT) of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) – the only medical center to receive this verification in the region comprised of Genesee, Lapeer and Shiawassee (GLS) counties. This achievement recognizes Hurley Trauma Center's dedication to providing optimal care for injured patients.

Hurley Medical Center's Trauma Center has also been reverified as a Level I Trauma Center by the Committee on Trauma (COT) of the American College of Surgeons (ACS). Hurley is the only Level I Trauma Center in the region, one of only 12 facilities in Michigan, providing the highest quality care and clinical excellence available. Verified trauma centers must meet the essential criteria that ensure trauma care capability and institutional performance, outlined by the ACS committee on trauma.

"This achievement recognizes Hurley's dedication to providing optimal care for injured patients, and a continued commitment to providing superior trauma care around the clock. Hurley has maintained Level I Trauma verification since the year 2000, and we remain committed to providing outstanding clinical care for patients and their families," adds Melany Gavulic, RN, MBA, President and Chief Executive Officer at Hurley Medical Center.

"At Hurley Children's Hospital, the trauma team is ready before the patient arrives," said James Wagner, MD, Director, Trauma and Critical Care at Hurley Medical Center. "We receive the toughest cases and it makes us the best at what we do, day in and day out. This is what sets a Level I Trauma Center, and a Level II Pediatric Trauma Center apart from all others."

"Every year, Hurley Children's Hospital treats more than 20,000 pediatric ER patients. As a Children's Hospital, having this Level II Pediatric Trauma verification means we are able to treat the most serious injuries, with the highest standards of technology and treatment, continuing the outstanding comprehensive care for our youngest patients and their families," adds Brian Nolan, MD, Director, Clinical Pediatrics, and a Pediatric Intensive Care Physician at Hurley Children's Hospital.



HURLEY
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CALENDAR

November 15, 2012

Managing Chronic Pain – the Limited Role for Opioids

Holiday Inn Gateway Centre

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™

No Charge - To register, call 1.866.750.4111

November 28, 2012

ID Symposium: Measles & Mumps

Holiday Inn Gateway Centre

5:00 pm – 6:30 pm

Approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™

No Charge - To register, call 1.866.750.4111

December 12, 2012

Annual Medical Staff Meeting

Flint Golf Club

5:30 pm

To register please call 1.888.611.4HMC (4462)

REMINDER:

Please remember to mail your ballots for the 2012 Medical Staff Election in the envelope provided or hand carry your ballot in the envelope provided to Plante & Moran, PLLC, 111 E. Court St, Ste 1A, Flint, MI 48502 no later than 5:00 pm, December 5, 2012. Ballots received after that time will not be counted.



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November is National Diabetes Month

The national theme this year for National Diabetes Month is: "Changing the Way Diabetes is Treated" by providing tools to help patients make a plan to stay healthy and outline steps they can take to reach and maintain their goals. Many people want to improve their health – it's figuring out how to do it, and fitting it into their daily routine that's the real challenge.

The Hurley Diabetes Center has programs to help adult and pediatric patients make the necessary changes they want for a healthier life. Call 262.2310 for more diabetes information.



Dr. Michael McCann Joins Hurley as Chief, Level I Trauma Center

Hurley Medical Center is proud to announce the addition of a new Chief, Trauma and Surgical Critical Care: Dr. Michael McCann, DO, FACOS. Dr. McCann received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree from Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, California. Dr. McCann completed

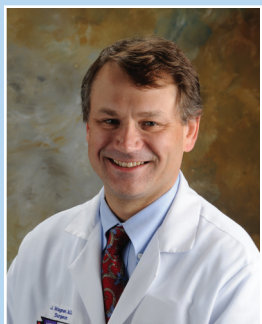
his Residency in General Surgery and Traditional Internship at Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc, and he completed his Surgical Critical Care Fellowship and Trauma Fellowship at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit.

Prior to coming to Hurley, Dr. McCann was Principal/Sub-Investigator at Cotton-O'Neil Clinical Research Center in Topeka, Kansas and Trauma/General/Surgical Critical Care Surgeon and Trauma Medical Director, Director of SICU at Stormont-Vail Healthcare in Topeka, Kansas, from 2009-present. Dr. McCann served as Trauma/General/Surgical Critical Care

Surgeon at St. Mary's/Duluth Clinic Medical Center in Duluth, Minnesota from 2006- 2008; Trauma/General/Surgical Critical Care Surgeon and Assistant Trauma Medical Director (Co-Director of SICU) at Stormont-Vail Healthcare in Topeka, Kansas from 2008-2009.

"I am excited about this new leadership role with Hurley Trauma Services. I look forward to working with the Hurley Level I Trauma team, and improving upon the outstanding job done by Dr. Wagner," adds Dr. McCann.

Dr. McCann is Board Certified in General Surgery by the American Osteopathic Board of Surgery, and the American Osteopathic Board of Critical Care Surgery. Dr. McCann is seeing patients at Hurley Comprehensive Surgical Group, Two Hurley Plaza, Suite 109, Flint. The Hurley Comprehensive Surgery Group are recognized leaders in the field of general surgery, and treat a wide variety of cases, delivering the best outcomes possible for each patient.



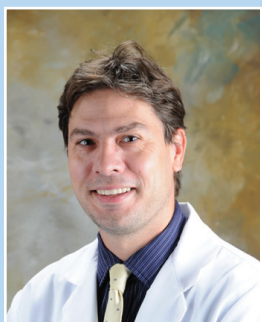
Dr. James Wagner, Chief, Hurley Level I Trauma Center & Surgical Critical Care, Takes Position at Oakwood Hospitals

Dr. James Wagner, FACS, will be leaving Hurley Medical Center, after accepting a position at Oakwood Hospitals in Detroit.

"I have been honored to be a part of the Hurley Trauma team for nine years and

Director for five years. During that time, I have seen the commitment of the system to providing the best care for the injured patient. With trauma care, all

areas of the system are challenged. Hurley has always met those challenges, and this is a credit to all of our employees and physicians. With our recent reverification as a Level I adult Trauma Center, and the addition of our newly verified Pediatric Level II Trauma Center, Hurley is positioned to continue its commitment to excellence. I am going to miss all of the outstanding people that make Hurley unique as I prepare to move into a new phase of my career. I am certain Dr. McCann will continue to advance the care provided at Hurley and will ensure a strong program into the future," adds Dr. Wagner.



Dr. Kurt Kralovich, Director, Hurley NeuroTrauma Unit, Takes Position at Oakwood Hospitals

Kurt Kralovich, MD, FACS, will be leaving Hurley Medical Center's Level I Trauma Team, after accepting a position at Oakwood Hospitals in Detroit. Dr. Kralovich joined the staff of Hurley Medical Center in April, 2007, after working as a Senior Trauma Surgeon at

Henry Ford Hospital for ten years.

"It has been an honor to work at Hurley's Trauma Center. There is nowhere else that such a high level of commitment to pediatrics, burns and injured patients can be found under one roof. The people here are fantastic, the nurses, PA's and operative staff are among the most skilled I have seen," adds Dr. Kralovich.

Dr. Ronald Stewart Achieves Diplomate Status

Ronald Stewart, DDS, earned Diplomate Status within the International Congress of Oral Implantologists (ICOI) on September 21, 2012. The awarding of Diplomate Status is the highest honor a professional society such as the ICOI can bestow on a dental professional involved in oral implantology. The ICOI conducts a Diplomate program in which active members are encouraged to achieve Diplomate status through their efforts in education, research and actual clinical experience. Advance credential committee interviews and testing are required. All Diplomates of the ICOI may choose to designate "D.I.C.O.I." after their names.



Congratulations, Dr. Stewart!

Patient- and Family-Centered Care (PFCC)

Because Patients Are the Reason We Are Here.

The practice of patient- and family-centered care is guided by four principles:

PFCC TIP OF THE MONTH

Anticipate the patient's needs, rather than simply reacting to them.

Dignity and Respect –

Health care practitioners listen to and honor patient and family perspectives and choices. Patient and family knowledge, values, beliefs and cultural backgrounds are incorporated into the planning and delivery of care.

Information Sharing – Health care practitioners communicate and share complete and unbiased information with patients and families in ways that are affirming and useful. Patients and families receive timely, complete and accurate information in order to effectively participate in care and decision-making.

Participation – Patients and families are encouraged and supported in participating in care and decision-making at the level they choose.

Collaboration – Patients, families, health care practitioners, and hospital leaders collaborate in policy and program development, implementation and evaluation; in health care facility design; and in professional education, as well as in the delivery of care.

Hurley Joins the American Orthopaedic Association's Own the Bone® Program

Hurley Medical Center is excited to announce our official enrollment in the American Orthopaedic Association's Own the Bone® program. This is a web-based registry program designed to identify, evaluate, and treat fragility fracture patients, ages 50 and over, at risk for osteoporosis.



Why Belong?

- Approximately 44 million Americans are affected by osteoporosis or osteopenia.
- There are more than two million fragility fractures (low level fall fractures) each year; This number is more than heart attacks, strokes, and breast cancer combined.
- Direct care expenditure from osteoporosis-related fractures exceeds \$19 billion annually.
- Fragility fractures are often the first sign of poor bone health.
- Patients with a fragility fracture are at an 86% higher risk of a second more devastating fracture.
- Hurley treats approximately 250 fragility fracture patients per year.

Beginning in November, all patients admitted at Hurley with a fragility fracture will be referred to the Own the Bone® program. Scott Bonzheim, PA-C, will see patients to evaluate and discuss key elements of the program including calcium and vitamin D supplementation, exercise, fall prevention, bone density testing, and communication with primary-care providers. Patients, through a coordinated effort with their primary-care provider, will receive the necessary follow-up concerning their bone health, as well as education to aid in the prevention of future fragility fractures.

"Outstanding Hospitals Don't Simply Treat Fragility Fractures – They Prevent Fractures from Recurring"

THE BEST HOSPITALS OWN THE BONE®

For more information about this important quality improvement project in patient care, please contact Cathy Metz, Musculoskeletal Service Line Administrator, at 810.262.2286.

Note-Worthy News

- ◆ Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha has been elected to American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Michigan Board of Directors
- ◆ Dr. Ghasan Bachuwa was awarded Physician-of-the-Year Award, by Arab American Heritage Council
- ◆ Dr. Laura Carravallah receives Laureate Award from American College of Physicians-Michigan Chapter
- ◆ Hurley Medical Center's Obstetrics and Gynecology Residency Training Program received five years of accreditation – and permission to expand the number of residents from three per year to four per year – from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) in October 2012.

Hurley Medical Center Receives Silver Medal of Honor from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for Outstanding Organ Donation

Hurley is one of 19 Michigan hospitals to earn Organ Donation Medal

Donor hospitals from across the state, including Hurley Medical Center, were recognized nationally for outstanding accomplishments in organ donation. The winning hospitals met national goals defined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"This is an amazing accomplishment. The work Hurley does collectively with organ donation is a strong testament to the clinical excellence and outreach education we do day in and day out," according to Melany Gavulic, RN, MBA, President and Chief Executive Officer at Hurley.

Hurley's work with the Gift of Life is helping to close the gap in Michigan between the number of organ donors and the residents in need of a life-saving organ transplant. In 2011, 269 organ donors provided 792 organs to waiting recipients in Michigan. One donor can enhance the lives of up to 50 people.



You Are Cordially Invited

to attend the

Annual Medical Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 12, 2012

Flint Golf Club, 3100 Lakewood Drive, Flint, MI

5:30 pm - Cocktails & Hors D'Oeuvres

6:30 pm - Dinner - *Chicken, Beef or
Vegetarian Entrée*

Please RSVP your attendance and meal choice by
November 30, 2012 to Hurley Medical Center -

866.750.4111