MMCRI Makes Strides Against Breast Cancer

The Maine Medical Center Research Institute was well represented last weekend at the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer 5K at Fort Williams Park in Cape Elizabeth. At the event, Michaela Reagan, PhD, gave a talk about her research into the blood cancer, multiple myeloma. Dr. Reagan was awarded a four-year Research Scholar Grant from the American Cancer Society that began in July 2019.

Congratulations to the team on raising more than $2,800 for breast cancer research!

New Diabetes Prevention Program Class Starting Soon!

The Diabetes Prevention Program is a free national program that is proven to help people lower their chance of developing type 2 diabetes.

The next MaineHealth class starts on Thursday, Nov. 7 from 5 - 6 p.m. There are other classes beginning in January. Learn more and sign up at mainehealth.org/preventdiabetes

People News

Adam Caldwell, MD, has joined Maine Medical Partners – MaineHealth Cardiology in our Augusta office.

Dr. Caldwell is a graduate of Bowdoin College and received his medical degree from Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He completed his residency in internal medicine and his fellowships in advanced heart failure/transplant cardiology and cardiovascular disease at University of North Carolina Hospitals, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

Dr. Caldwell was a chief fellow and a teaching scholar. He was also a biology teacher in Pennsylvania. Dr. Caldwell will be participating in the heart failure service at MMC, along with seeing heart failure and general cardiology patients in our Augusta/Waterville locations and offering a heart failure clinic at our Farmington office.

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Samantha Dunn, DO, has recently joined Maine Medical Partners – Pediatric Specialty Care, Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics. After earning her bachelor of science degree at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, she went on to earn her medical degree at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine.

She then completed her residency in pediatrics at Maine Medical Center. She culminated her training in 2019 with a developmental-behavioral pediatrics fellowship at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. Her clinical interests include autism spectrum disorder, complex ADHD, learning disabilities, neonatal follow up, and developmental and behavioral pediatrics. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her family and dog, trying new restaurants, running, and skiing.

Nadav Lelkes, MD, recently joined Maine Medical Partners and the Maine Children’s Cancer Program in Scarborough. As a pediatric hematologist and oncologist, Dr. Lelkes specializes in cancer and blood diseases in children and young adults.

He completed his pediatric hematology and oncology fellowship at the Oregon Health and Science University School of Medicine in Portland, Oregon. He was also a student at the Human Investigations Program, a program of the Oregon Clinical and Translational Research Institute which offers an integrated clinical and translational research education curriculum.

Dr. Lelkes was a resident physician in pediatrics at the Warren Albert School of Medicine, Brown University and Hasbro Children’s Hospital in Providence, Rhode Island. While there, he received the Medical Student Teaching Award. He earned his medical degree at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York.

He has been a research fellow and lecturer in hematology, oncology and pediatrics. Dr. Lelkes is interested in the causes and treatment of pediatric brain tumors.

Sarah Stone, MD, has joined Maine Medical Partners – Neurology. Dr. Stone specializes in Neuromuscular disorders and performs EMG/NCS in both adults and children. She received her M.D. from Wake Forest School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She went on to complete both her residency in Adult Neurology and her fellowship in Neuromuscular Medicine at the University of Utah School of Medicine in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Following her fellowship, she completed additional training in Pediatric Neuromuscular and Electrodagnosis at the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida. Dr. Stone’s practice will focus on caring for patients with a wide range of Neuromuscular disorders, although she has a particular interest in hereditary disorders of nerve and muscle.

Jorge Escobar, MD, has joined Maine Medical Partners – MaineHealth Cardiology in our Augusta/Waterville offices. Dr. Escobar earned his medical degree from the Universidad De San Carlos De Guatemala, in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

He completed internal medicine and general cardiology fellowships at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester. Dr. Escobar’s interests include cardiac critical care and non-invasive imaging.

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