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What's Happening
A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

Congratulations to the TUSM-MMC Maine Track Class of 2018

Match Day 2018 included the sixth class of students in the Maine Track program. Counting this year’s class, more than 204 students have graduated from the program since 2013. This year’s class included 36 medical students, nine of whom were matched with MMC programs. Five additional students from the Boston-based Tufts class also matched with MMC. Others were placed in excellent teaching settings throughout the country, said Peter Bates, M.D., MMC’s Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs and Chief Academic Officer.

All 14 MMC primary residency programs filled through the Match process. Kalli Varaklis, M.D., MMC’s Designated Institutional Official said, “We are delighted to welcome many highly qualified medical students from across the country who have chosen to continue their education and training at MMC.”

13th Cares for Kids Radiothon Breaks Fundraising Record

The 13th annual Cares for Kids Radiothon raised a record-breaking $380,388 for The Barbara Bush Children’s Hospital at Maine Medical Center (BBCH), thanks to the support of more than 850 new donors and event sponsors.

From March 15-17, radio stations Frank 107.5 and 99.9 The Wolf broadcasted live from the atrium of BBCH.

‘BBCH Radiothon’ Continued on Back

Pediatric Intensive Care Unit care team members Victoria Adams, B.S.N., R.N., Nurse Manager Justin Michaud, B.S.N, R.N., NE-BC, Medical Director Sandra Bagwell, M.D., Denise Owens, B.S.N., R.N., and Bruce Raymond, C.N.A., pose during Radiothon with Dr. Seuss-themed props.
The National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) has awarded 20 Maine Medical Partners specialty practice sites with Level 3 Patient-Centered Specialty Practice Recognition, the highest level possible. NCQA recognition is earned by specialty practices that demonstrate evidence-based, patient-centered processes that focus on highly coordinated care, long-term relationships with patients and family members, and collaboration with primary care.

“This achievement is the result of a coordinated and collaborative team effort that relied on a huge number of MMP staff, providers and leaders,” said Joel Botler, M.D., Chief Medical Officer for Maine Medical Center and Interim President Maine Medical Partners. “MMP has set a new, higher bar for delivering patient-centered care.”

The MMP specialty practices that are included in this recognition are: MMP — Cardiothoracic Surgery; MMP — Endocrinology & Diabetes; Maine Children's Cancer Program; MMP — Neurology; MMP — Neurosurgery & Spine; MMP — Orthopedics & Sports Medicine (Joint Replacement); MMP — Orthopedics & Sports Medicine (Sports Medicine); MMP — Orthopedics & Sports Medicine (Trauma & Fracture Care); MMP — Otolaryngology; MMP — Pediatric Specialty Care (887 Congress); MMP — Pediatric Specialty Care (1577 Congress); MMP — Surgical Care; MMP — Urology; MMP — Women’s Health (Gynecologic Oncology); MMP — Women’s Health (Maternal-Fetal Medicine); MMP — MaineHealth Cardiology (Augusta); MMP — MaineHealth Cardiology (Lewiston); MMP — MaineHealth Cardiology (Rockport); MMP — MaineHealth Cardiology (Scarborough); MMP — MaineHealth Cardiology (Waterville)

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The March 19 edition of What’s Happening included a photo of a woman misidentified as Margaret Coyne, who works in Health Information Management. We regret the error.