HAT'S HAPPENING

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

Cystic Fibrosis Center Awarded Grant to Support Mental Health

Maine Medical Center's cystic fibrosis (CF) clinics have been awarded a twoyear grant from the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to support a mental health coordinator for the adult and pediatric CF programs. The grant was competitive; 160 CF centers applied across the country and only 80 centers were funded. An epidemiological study across nine countries in patients with cystic fibrosis and parent caregivers showed an increase in depression and anxiety that leads to an increased rate of

hospitalization, poor adher- illness, because it has been ence to care, and increased health care costs. The study also showed that the mental and emotional health of kids with CF was impacted by the mental health of their parents. The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation has recognized the importance and recognition of mental health in their goal of prolonging life expectancy and improving health outcomes.

"We can now proactively screen patients for CF mental health and develop systems of care to treat mental

shown to have an adverse effect on pulmonary health and outcomes," says Ana Cairns, D.O., Maine Medical Partners - Pediatric Specialty Care. "The concept of base for treatment. Patients screening and offering treatment to parents of children with chronic illness with the goal of improving the health of their children is a completely new approach to Additionally, the clinics chronic illness."

Meg Hall, LCSW, the current pediatric CF social worker at MMC, will be working with the CF clinics

to implement the use of the Generalized Anxiety Disorder Questionnaire (GAD-7) and the Patient Health Questionnaire-9 (PHQ-9) for screening and referral 12 and older and parents of all CF children will be offered screening and therapy as indicated.

plan to continue to enhance their relationship with MMC Psychiatry and to expand their referral base in the community for treatment.



May Anniversaries



Wanda Antone 40 Years

45 Years Wendy Heyworth, Outpatient Clinic

40 Years Wanda Antone,

Central Supply Mary Jayne Gould, IS Deanna Rogers, OB/Gyn

35 Years

Ann Bishop-Kodis, ED Donna Michaud, Oncology

30 Years

Marguerite Anderson, R3 Joanne Connolly, Heart Cath Lab Lisa Cox, IS Sena Hansen, Care Management Elizabeth Larsen, BBCH Suzanne Lashua, Psychiatry George Moreau, BMC Suneela Navak, CPI Barbara Senko, BMC

Scarb. Primary Care

Lisa Townsend,



Deanna Rogers 40 Years

25 Years

Richard Boisselle, ED Deborah Brewer, FBC Joanne Daigneault, SSC Kevin Irish, BMC Donna Larrabee, IS Angela Logue, ACU Kimberly Provencher, Transplant Norine Seymour, R7 Sheila Sjoberg, R3 Barbara Tolan, Circulatory Diseases

20 Years

Celine Carland, OR Stephanie Jordan, ED Anthony Murray, Finance Ann Marie Sellinger. Anesthesia and Pain Management Jyll St Cyr, R4 Ashley Tran, R7 Christina Vachon-Sotir, R6 Catherine Whorf, Neurosurgery

15 Years

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10 Years

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