

# WHAT'S HAPPENING

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

## Exceptional Patient Care: Highlighting MMC's Specialties

Part 4 – Urology Program Brings Unparalleled Experience, Many Firsts to Maine

Maine Medical Center is continuously putting patients and families first by investing in our three-part mission: Caring for our community, Educating tomorrow's caregivers, Researching new ways to provide care. Now we're taking time to highlight the hard work of specialties which live that mission. For eight issues of What's Happening, we'll share how each specialty is exceeding national standards of patient care through hard work and dedication, as recognized by the U.S. News and World Report's Best Hospital rankings.

The comprehensive urology program at Maine Medical Center ensures access to

high-quality and leading-edge urologic treatment. MMC has the largest, most experienced urologic team in northern New England. Patients are provided with exceptional care, close to home at both MMC and the Maine Medical Partners – Urology practice.

With a range of care providers that includes the state's only fellowship-trained pediatric urologists, reconstructive pelvic surgeons, and urologic cancer surgeons, the program cares for patients from New England and across the country. MMC Urology also offers New England's only Kidney



The da Vinci robotic surgical system is manipulated here during a procedure at MMC, enabling a minimally invasive approach.

Stone Prevention program and a multidisciplinary genitourinary (GU) cancer program to include one of the nation's first GU cancer Navigators – a trained on-

colony nurse who coordinates care and ensures complete one-on-one patient education.

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## New Short Stay Unit Enhances Pediatric Patient Care

To improve patient flow and reduce the time pediatric patients spend waiting for rooms, MMC has opened a seven-bed Pediatric Short Stay Unit on the ground floor of the East Tower.

The unit is designed for patients whose stay is

expected to be 24 hours or less.

This additional unit is anticipated to alleviate congestion at The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital inpatient unit, and the same physicians from that unit will be caring for patients.

*At left: Logan Murray, M.D., Medical Director of MMC's Pediatric Short Stay Unit visits a room on the new unit.*

# PEOPLE NEWS



*Jonathon Bausman, D.O.*

**Jonathan Bausman, D.O.**, has joined Maine Medical Partners as a Pediatric Hospitalist at The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital. Dr. Bausman is a graduate of University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM), and he completed his pediatric

residency at Geisinger Medical Center.

Dr. Bauman's clinical interests include evaluation and management of well newborns and acutely ill older children and teaching opportunities. Dr. Bausman enjoys spending time with his wife and two children, hiking and mountain biking, working in his yard, and being involved in his local church. He is also a Captain in the Maine Army National Guard.

**Gregory Sawyer, M.D.**, has joined Maine Medical Partners (MMP) Orthopedics & Sports Medicine. He will team with F. Lincoln Avery, M.D., to offer a full



*Gregory Sawyer, M.D.*

array of sports surgical services.

Dr. Sawyer comes to the organization from Vail, CO, where he recently completed a sports medicine fellowship at The Steadman Clinic. He received his medical degree from Dartmouth Medical School in 2007,

completed his orthopedic residency at Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University in 2012, and also completed an orthopedic trauma fellowship at Brown in 2013.

Dr. Sawyer was an Assistant Team Physician for the Brown men's ice hockey and lacrosse teams, as well as the Providence Bruins, an American Hockey League affiliate of the Boston Bruins. While in Vail, he served as an Assistant Team Physician for the US Ski and Snowboard teams and will continue this affiliation in Maine. Dr. Sawyer is originally from Wilton, Maine, and is very excited to return to his home state with his wife, Annah, and daughter, Lylah.

## *"Exceptional Patient Care" from front*

The Cancer Navigator is just one part of the urology team's multidisciplinary approach to cancer care. Radiation oncology, surgical urology, and medical oncology all collaborate on the optimal course of treatment for patients. Our clinical outcomes for GU cancers are consistently excellent compared to national benchmarks. MMC Urology ensures that each patient's case is viewed holistically,

making their treatment as safe and high-quality as possible.

The urologic specialists at MMC have achieved many clinical firsts in Maine, including the first use of laparoscopic surgery for radical nephrectomy (kidney removal); the first use of kidney stone lithotripsy; and the first robotic-assisted prostatectomy. This drive to be found at the forefront of medicine is what continually pushes our urology team, and patients see the direct

benefits of that drive.

An integral part of MMC's mission is to provide the best possible patient care now and in the future by helping to educate tomorrow's caregivers. The urologic residency program — the first and only program of its kind in Maine — supports this mission. When residents learn from high-achieving physicians who are recognized for their quality of care, MMC ensures that folks in our community will always have a

wide variety of options to meet and exceed their health care needs.

Moritz Hansen, M.D., MMC Co-Chief of Urology and Residency Program Director says, "I think the recognition by *U.S. News and World Report* is exemplified in the trust and confidence that our referring physicians and patients have in us as individuals, and the outstanding clinical and academic program in urology that we have built as a team."



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