WHAT'S HAPPENING A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

MMC Cuts the Ribbon on the Susan Donnell Konkel Pavilion For Surgical Oncology in the Coulombe Family Tower



On Feb. 20, Members of Susan Donnell Konkel's family helped cut the ribbon on the new surgical cancer pavilion dedicated in her name.

Patients are moving into the state-of-the-art space on the 6th floor of the Coulombe Family Tower. Thank you to the Konkel family, the pavilion's care team and all those who have supported them during this transition.

Education, Celebration at MMC During American Heart Month



MMC cardiologists Aline Iskandar, MD, (left) and Dafina Pruthi, MD, (right) joined American Heart Association's Brenda Vitali (center) at the Feb.14 Go Red Press Conference at Portland City Hall.

Save the Date! MaineHealth will lead the 2020 Southern Maine Heart Walk on Sunday, May 17.

Learn more at southernmaineheartwalk.org



Monica Salamone, a MMC radiologic technologist, recently told her survivor's story at the American Heart Association's Hearts on Ice fundraiser. Salamone, pictured with sons Christopher (left) and Logan, was rushed to Southern Maine Health Care and then to Maine Medical Center almost 10 years ago when she experienced an aortic dissection, the result of a congenital heart condition. A surgical team led by Scott Buchanan, MD, saved her life.

Katherine Fiedler, MMP Cardiology, received recognition from Jennylee Nichols for Patient Centered

You have been an amazing Patient Centered team player! Through everything you are learning and doing in your own position, you have taken the time to help me with the influx of Cardiac MRI authorizations that have come through this week. You are truly Patient Centered and a fantastic coworker. If only the patients knew what you do every day to help them. Thank you for all your help every day.

Michael Bodman MMP Access Center, received recognition from Sandra Lawnsby for Respect

Thank you for always coming in and saying good morning, being positive and always being willing to help others. You are appreciated. MMC Colleagues Share February Moments to Shine

Jay Lawrence, MMC Perioperative Services, received recognition from Darcel Moulton for Excellence

I have been meaning to do this for a long time. Jay is one of the hardest working people I know. The minute you ask him to do something, it gets done. He goes out of his way to help and is liked by all. If I am walking down the hall with things in my hand he is the first to ask if he can take it for me. He always takes my case cart and still comes back to clean the room.

Ernesto Ramirez, MMC Security, received recognition from Maryann Fusco for Excellence

Chino is always there and available for whatever needs arise. Today, we had a new employee with significant issues with her badge and he called to have it fixed and waited to make sure it was working. He then helped her with parking concerns. My experience working with him is always positive and he will help in any way he can with a smile on his face.

Hawo Ali, Environmental Services, received recognition from Rachel Hopkins for Respect

You do so much for the unit and I wanted to take a step back and recognize you for all your hard work. You come to work with a smile on and are always willing to do what needs to be done and then some. You're such an important person to us, thank you for all that you do. You show respect for anyone that comes across your path, whether it's staff, patients or visitors.

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